DYNAMIC COALITION ON INTERNET AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DCICC)

THIRD MEETING

16 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT The Internet Governance Forum

VILNIUS, LITHUANIA

The Dynamic Coalition on Internet and Climate Change (DCICC) was launched at the second Internet Governance Forum (IGF) in Rio in 2007. The DCICC held its third physical meeting on 16 September 2010 at the fifth IGF in Vilnius, Lithuania. The meeting was facilitated by Cristina Bueti of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and chaired by David Faulkner of Climate Associates Limited (UK).

The DCICC now comprises 42 entities and organizations and has doubled in size over the past year. A complete list of the members can be found at: http://www.itu.int/themes/climate/dc/membership.html

The agenda and contributions to the meeting, e.g. slide-sets, can be found at: http://www.itu.int/themes/climate/dc/meetings.html

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The meeting began with an introduction to the DCICC followed by a review of the objectives, membership and Terms of Reference. The agenda was agreed.

The meeting then held a tour de table in which each person present introduced themselves and identified their key interests in the area of ICT and climate change.

Presentations were then made from contributions provided prior to the meeting. Of these, the GeSI presentation was made by teleconference. The International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)and Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) representatives made verbal introductions and updates to their work.

The following key issues were raised in the round table discussion following the presentations. They gained consensus for follow up action via the email list collected at this meeting and the full DCICC elist which is managed by ITU-T/TSB.

1. Can we find a non-fossil fuel solution for mobile base station power supply? How can the business case be justified up front (c.f. diesel generators which are cheap to buy but increasingly expensive to run)?

2. How to make ICT impact on emissions visible at United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)?

3. Video conferencing needs to be more ubiquitous, especially at public centres.

4. More regional support is needed

5. Cristina Bueti (Programme Coordinator, ITU) supported by other participants, suggested that the ITU-T Joint Coordination Activity on ICT and Climate Change could be used more effectively with closer collaboration with the DCICC and could move towards international standards input from projects conducted by the network of the DCICC members. For the DCICC she suggested that actions include: organization of business talks; organization of government talks on specific issues to raise awareness on ICTs and CC through NGOs (e.g. Bangladesh NGO); proposing the development of projects with other partners.

ACTIONS

1. Continue the discussion on how to resolve key issues (1-5) above raised in the round table discussion, both via the informal email list (from the sheet circulated around attendees), the formal e-mail list and via conference calls.

2. Invite those attending to consider becoming members of the DCICC and to sign up for the formal email list (This is free of charge-contact Cristina Bueti directly).

3. Dave Faulkner Chairman of the ITU-T JCA on ICT&CC and Ahmed Zeddam Chairman ITU-T/JCA-ICT&CC) to consider making the DCICC and JCA work more closely together as both share similar objectives.