UNITED NATIONS GROUP ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY (UNGIS)

Open Consultation Process on Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (WSIS+10)

Phase Two: Online Consultation: www.wsis-community.org

Note: This document consolidates the WSIS Knowledge Communities Discussion from the period of 15th June to 5th September 2011

WSIS Summary of written comments

N/I No information provided.

Name	Affiliation	Group	Country	Comments
Teresa Torreseca	International Society for Education Through Art (InSEA)	Civil Society	Portugal	- A non formal meeting, a place to share ideas, not exposing monologues,
Daniel Quimper	N/I*	N/I	N/I	- Little work groups pronouncing on one peculiar issue or one peculiar angle of a framed problematic / debate.
Bangladesh NGOs	Bangladesh NGOs	Civil	Banglades	- Country

Network for Radio and Communication(BNNR C)	Network for Radio and Communication(BNNR C)	Societ y	h		consultation with the participation from multistakhol ders.
Reza Assadi	Mashhad University of Medical Sciences	Civil Societ y	Islamic Republic of Iran	-	Need to find solutions for sharing the experiences and knowledge between countries.
Fathi Essalmi	N/I	N/I	N/I	- -	Organize a WSIS Review conference in the collaborativ e manner among stakeholder s. The conference should be organized based on call for papers submitted by stakeholder s.
EUROLINC	EUROLINC	Civil Societ y	N/I	- - -	Collect reviews on the event, by groups and individuals Publish a summary Collect proposals for evolutions

				- Call an informal meeting, with remote participation, for discussing proposals - Publish outcome of meeting, and launch poll on resulting options
Gipson Varghese	University of Deusto	Civil Society	Republic of India	- The review conference should be organized according to country-wise importance.
Kallirroi Nikoli	N/I	Civil Society	N/I	- A Formal Meeting with many opportunities for exchanging ideas and opinions planning and creating the global knowledge society which will belong to any citizen of our world.
Ahmed Eisa	Gedaref digital city organization (GDCO)	Civil Society	Republic of Sudan	- Organize country level meetings

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						once or twice every year to evaluate WSIS Implementation in each country. The reports of these meetings can be submitted to the WSIS Forum each year.
Etienne Tshishimbi		ISOC Senegal	Civil Society	Republic of Senegal	-	Truly open and inclusive open consultation should be organized beyond UN agencies and traditional WSIS stakeholders.

Summary of video messages

Questions: Followed by 30 second brief statement on the major contribution brought by ICT for development, please address the following:
1. What are your expectations for the outcome of WSIS Review 2015, and concrete proposals in this regard?
2. What are your views on the progress made in implementing the WSIS outcomes?

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Constance Bommelaer		ISOC	Civil Society	Switzerland	-	Support several proposal of focusing Action Lines Fora on 2014 on assessing the WSIS implementation

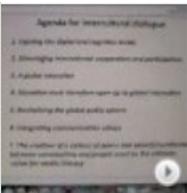|					
					- commitment. - Don't agree organizing separate summit either on 2014 or 2015 including a new declaration and plan of action. - Review should allow concrete evaluation and assessment, and discussions would allow identifying best practices, intangible mechanisms to improve information about stakeholders involved. - IGF, which is the one of the most successful WSIS outcomes should be integrated in the WSIS outcomes review. - The review outcome should be a light resolution gathering all stakeholders' inputs. - Preparatory process should be inclusive and participatory as possible. - Internet technical and academic communities should be included in the process.
Markus Sabadello		Project Danube	Civil Society	Austria	- WSIS should spare more efforts to culture of peace. Establishing global peace of culture is one of the most promising and the best strategy we have to work towards various UN Charter. ICTs are great tools

				- for mutual learning and understanding to avoid conflicts due to cultural differences. - Identity and anonymity of Internet and democracy. - For the Review, UN family should reach next generations' social network communities. Need to raise their awareness about WSIS and promote also various UN charters among them.
Kenneth Deer		Indigenous ICT Task Force	Civil Society	Canada	- Indigenous people have rights to enjoy access to information and also to spread messages. - UNESCO's proposal of hosting a meeting in 2013 in Paris can broaden the support base and audience for WSIS implementation objectives, in particularly with the Action Lines related to the UNESCO mandates such as culture, science and education. - WSIS people need to be treated as equal participants of the development of the Information Society. They should be involved in every level of activities to ensure inclusiveness. - The WSIS Plan of Action should continue beyond 2015.

Malia Nobrega		N/I	Civil Society	USA (Hawaii)	- WSIS identified key principles that are still true today for many of indigenous communities: the heart of the Information Society is respect for the dignity and the human rights of indigenous peoples, nations and tribes, and these rights should be firmed. - Those principles should guide the work of those who are involved in the Information Society. - Indigenous people communities are willing to continue actively working on the WSIS implementation process.
Tapio Varis		UNESCO Chair in global e-learning	Civil Society	Finland	- Agenda for the inter-cultural dialogue: 1.Fight against digitalized community divide 2. International cooperation and participation 3. Global open education 4. Freedom and rights are in balance, and cultural and linguistic diversity are emphasized.
Giacomo Mazzone		European Broadcasting Union	IGO	Switzerland	- WSIS is the best platform to build society of knowledge and information. Broadcasting would be the essential part of such an Information Society development process.

				-	Global approaches are needed for spectrum, for media and for cultural diversity. These rules must respect citizen's right to promote freedom of expression, pluralism and independence of media.
				-	Developing countries need both infrastructure and capacity to develop their own contents.
				-	Shared set of principles should be agreed by various stakeholders. WSIS might be the right place to do so and will promote the development of equitable use of ICTs as a human rights in the future converging world.
Joy Liddicoat		APC	Civil Society	South Africa	- The review should provide elements to: ○ assess the degree of progress towards WSIS goals and other internationally agreed development goals in which ICTs have a role to play, in particularly for MDGs and human rights; ○ assess participation of various stakeholders in the process

				○ identify thematic new priority area. - The review should take place in alongside with national and regional IGFs. - Need additional financial resources. UN Regional Commission could provide and support necessary means to ensure participation of stakeholders. - APC would like the Review process to be truly participatory.
Tim Unwin		UNESCO Chair in ICT4D	Civil Society	N/I	- Need to come up with practical solutions to address the needs of poorest and marginalized people. - Need clear agreements cutting through all the existing bureaucracy to avoid overlap and to ensure coherency of the process. - Democratic and bottom-up process. - Define clearly the role of each stakeholder.