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

#### Phase Three: Official Submissions to the UNGIS Process

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***1. Ministry of Communications and IT, Government, Egypt***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Since the conclusion of the first and second phases of the World Summit on the Information Society in 2005, significant efforts have been made on the international, regional and national levels to implement the important outcomes of this Summit. As we approach the review process of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes it is important to consider the following points:

There have been significant achievements and similarly there have been some shortfalls. Also, as the implementation of the WSIS outcomes varied from one facilitator to another, from one region to another and from one country to another, it can be concluded that the achievements and shortfalls are variable. Hence, arises the necessity to conduct a complete review on the international, regional and national levels in order to assess completely the outcomes of the implementation process.

Additionally, this review process should also include a revision of the themes that were tackled during the WSIS. It is evident that some of the technologies, challenges, and themes that the international community deemed important in 2005 have lost their importance in recent years

Similarly, the fast paced development of the ICT sector in the past years have introduced new technologies and challenges that make it necessary for the international community to tackle them as new themes.

It is important also to consider that the Millennium Development Goals will also be reviewed in 2015, the outcome of which is not clear at the moment. As the WSIS affirmed, in both phases, its commitment to harnessing ICTs to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, it becomes evident that the outcomes of the review of the MDGs will be of relevance to any future commitment that may be tackled by the overall review of the WSIS in 2014/2015.

With these points in mind, Egypt proposes that the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes have the following goals and objectives:

1. To conduct a complete review of the WSIS both horizontally (themes, action lines, targets, etc...) and vertically (internationally, regionally and nationally)
  - a. Horizontal review should include a revision of the implementation of the themes, action lines and targets.
  - b. Vertical review should focus on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes internationally, regionally, and nationally.
  - c. This revision should identify achievements as well as shortfalls of the implementation process and the implementation outcomes.
2. To identify the themes that are still of relevance and new themes that have emerged that require an international commitment.
  - a. Review the WSIS themes and decide on the relevance of them vis-à-vis the new technologies and challenges that have emerged.
  - b. Identify possible new themes that will require an international commitment.
  - c. In light of the above, review the WSIS action lines and decide whether or not they are still prevalent
  - d. Review the WSIS set targets and determine if there is a need for new targets to match the above

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Preparatory meetings on regional and national levels are considered to be an integral part of the review process. As well, one or two international preparatory meetings would be as well possible in order to discuss the way forward with a special focus on suggested new themes.

Egypt proposes a Summit in 2014 for the review process

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

As we consider the preparatory process of both phases of the WSIS (2003 and 2005) several mechanisms stand out:

1. There was an international preparatory committee that convenes at least three times prior to each summit
2. There were regional preparatory meetings that facilitate and consolidate regional inputs to the issues discussed

3. Non-governmental stakeholders were engaged in the preparatory process in accordance with the rules of procedures adopted for the WSIS.

4. In the second phase three working groups were established (such as the Group of the Friends of the Chair) that facilitated the negotiations of the issues.

Egypt believes that these four features should prevail in the preparatory process we are considering for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes:

- Regional preparatory meetings should convene to consolidate regional inputs;
- All stakeholders should be part of preparatory process in a similar fashion as was implemented in both phases of the WSIS.
- There should be flexibility to establish working groups that could facilitate the work of the preparatory committee. Such working groups may focus on specific hotly debated new themes and/or to prepare the texts that serve as the basis for negotiations on some of those issues.

#### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

Egypt proposes that we revisit this question upon announcement of the action plan on the 5th of October 2011. There is no current preference on the exact timeline as long as it remains in the framework described above.

## ***2. Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Government, Finland***

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Finland believes that the objective of the WSIS+10 is to review and assess the progress made in the implementation of WSIS outcomes, both at the global and at the regional levels. Besides achievements, the review discusses shortages and challenges in the implementation and the reasons for them. Ideally, it identifies solutions, provides best practices and gives recommendation/guidance for further action, as appropriate. Its findings need to be future oriented and take into account the rapid technological progress after the WSIS summit.

The main focus of the review should be on development. The MDG process, with its target year of 2015, should be able to benefit from the findings of the WSIS+10. The review should provide assessment on how the implementation of WSIS commitments and the use of the ICTs have supported the achievement of the MDG goals and sustainable development. Special consideration should be taken in the least developed countries, the poorest and the most marginalized groups of society.

Finland hopes that the main outcome of the review is a global report which bases its findings on the contributions received from different regions and stakeholder groups. The United Nations regional commissions could be tasked to collect inputs and contribute to

the review from the perspective of their respective regions. The report should be commensurable and be based on clear indicators.

If the governments decide to also have a negotiated outcome, it should be concise and focused in creating a true impact on development. The Tunis commitments should not be reopened for further negotiations.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The review should be discussed in an open and inclusive meeting where all stakeholders can participate on equal level. As to the level of the meeting, the objective should not be to attract high level participation, but rather to engage relevant experts from all stakeholder groups and regions in fruitful discussions. Financial implication should be borne in mind when planning the meeting. The meeting could be organized in the context of an existing mechanism, such as the WSIS Forum.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Finland favors inclusive and transparent preparatory process where all stakeholders can be fully involved. The process should benefit from a clear co-ordination mechanism within the United Nations framework. Its focus should be on the quality of the WSIS+10 review document. One should avoid overlaps, heavy bureaucracy and long negotiations.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

Sufficient time should be allocated to the collection of contributions from all stakeholders and to the preparation of a high quality review report.

**3. [Ministere des Affaires Etrangeres et Europeennes, Government, France](#)**

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

*Le Sommet Mondial sur la Société de l'Information (SMSI) en 2003 à Genève a jeté les bases d'une action en faveur d'une société de l'information « à dimension humaine, inclusive et privilégiant le développement ». Si nombre d'objectifs et indicateurs ont été définis, mesurables et quantifiables dans la limite des données dont nous disposons, il n'en reste pas moins que le bilan devra aussis'ouvrir à la société de l'information d'aujourd'hui dans son ensemble. Elle est en effet très différente de celle qui existait il y a 10 ans tant les bouleversements technologiques, depuis la formidable expansion de la téléphonie mobile au web 2.0, ont été importants. De plus, ce bilan devra s'ouvrir largement à tous les acteurs de l'internet afin que tous, société civile, entreprises, communauté technique et académique en particulier, puissent contribuer à montrer le chemin parcouru depuis 10 ans dans leur domaine de compétence. Comment en effet aurait-on vu un tel développement de la connectivité sans l'investissement du secteur privé ? Qui d'autres que les utilisateurs eux-mêmes ont « inventé » les services bancaires par mobile ? un tel développement de la connectivité sans l'investissement du*

secteur privé ? Qui d'autres que les utilisateurs eux-mêmes ont « inventé » les services bancaires par mobile ?

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Les réunions physiques sont coûteuses et nombre d'entités ont du mal à financer leurs déplacements. Il conviendra donc de limiter les rencontres physiques au profit d'espaces électroniques multilingues permettant le recueil d'information, les échanges, etc. Les quelques réunions physiques pourraient s'adosser à des événements mobilisant déjà un grand nombre d'acteurs, tel que le Forum SMSI. Une conférence finale de présentation des résultats pourrait également être envisagée. Cette conférence ne nécessite pas l'ampleur de celle de Tunis en 2005.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

La France ne souhaite pas un processus lourd comprenant notamment des réunions de type « prepcom ». Il serait intéressant, tel qu'évoqué ci-dessus, de lancer un processus préparatoire largement par voie électronique et de s'appuyer sur le Forum SMSI en lui ajoutant cette dimension de revue des objectifs du SMSI.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

La déclaration de principes de Genève a affirmé que l'enjeu consistait à tirer parti des possibilités qu'offraient les TIC en faveur de la réalisation des Objectifs du Millénaire (OMD). Il est donc tout naturel que le processus de révision du SMSI s'inscrive étroitement dans le bilan qui sera mené en 2015 sur les OMD.

Le rapport SMSI+10 devra donc idéalement être terminé à la fin de l'année 2014 afin de servir de base à la revue 2015 des OMD ; même si les technologies de l'information n'apparaissent que dans la cible 8E des OMD (« en coopération avec le secteur privé, faire en sorte que les nouvelles technologies, en particulier les technologies de l'information et de la communication, soient à la portée de tous »), elles n'en sont pas moins de puissants leviers pour atteindre tous les objectifs du millénaire.

***4. Ministry of National Development, Government, Hungary***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

When considering any of the Information Society matters, one has to REGARD:

- the fast pace of the development of digital and information technologies and their applications together with the ever increasing communication needs and the new innovative services is ongoing all over the world, on all continents, in all societies and throughout the whole economy; there has not been such a development in the history

when a new technology has penetrated so much in the everyday life of all people and nations.

- that, naturally, various groups of people use the benefits and take advantage offered by the new technology and new connections and relationships in the society and in the workplace in rather different ways: differently understanding and being ill with the threats and drawbacks that accompany the new technological developments;
- that there have been on one side extended expectations towards the broad opportunities offered by the digital world, and on the other side the fear to be left behind if not acting in a timely manner; also there are needs to do all the possible precautions in order to avoid the threats, to anticipate and prevent the dangers, possible criminal attempts, illegal use and actions in the world of the Internet;
- the huge capabilities and potential of the ICT services and applications for the benefits of the society and economic development
- the openness of the digital world, including right to access information and also the rights to free expression of opinion, these are the major contributors to the success and fast progress of the Internet.

Hence the broad community of stakeholders – upon the initiative of the UN GS –AGREED – as the result of the WSIS process- about launching regular broad discussion processes – the annual Internet Governance For a, and the enhanced cooperation – both with the participation of the broadest groups of interested stakeholders from all the different regions and countries of the world.

### **On the IGF process:**

One of the most important objectives of setting up the annual IGF meetings has been to bring together all interested partners (governments, international organizations, NGO-s, private sphere, developers and users, content owners/publishers and consumers, civil society, etc.) in order to provide them for a and occasions to discuss the rather complex questions of technological developments, service provisions, access to these services, right protection, protection of the infrastructure and services, etc. in the and get close to multifaceted world of the Internet. The global aim behind this objective has been facilitating favorable environment for further development and extension of the service space, inclusion of wide circle of users, in other words giving a free rein to the full economic and societal potential of the digital world.

The IGF has proved itself as very successful and powerful multistakeholder fora in meeting the above mentioned goals. Thus in general the iGF process has fulfilled its original objectives. certainly there are ways to improve the IGF, but no major changes should be done – in our opinion. In this respect the IGF itself has already shown its own capability to find way of self-improvement, what we have to further encourage.

The possible ways of improvements should aim at: finding ways how to promote wider attendance from the developing regions at the IGF meetings; how to give wider visibility and provide easier and cheap access to the outcome of the meetings; how to improve the preparatory work of the annual IGF-s; what should be done to help the work of the bureau. In this regard more extensive use of on-line discussions, exchange of views, setting up on-line communities/interest groups may be an effective tool.



On the question of administrative support we are in favor of a donor-funded “independent” secretariat.

In parallel with the IGF meetings several regional IGFs (e.g. EuroDig in Europe) have been held which contributed a lot to the preparatory work of the annual IGF meetings, and also the discussion on region-related issues.

### **On enhanced cooperation:**

From the very beginning the proposal for enhanced cooperation has suffered from a lot of uncertainties. There has been a lot of non-understanding what enhanced cooperation should be, who would be the cooperating partners, etc. Moreover there is not a clear distinction between the IGF multistakeholder exchange of views, and enhanced cooperation.

### **On goals and possible outcomes of the IGF process:**

The organization and holding the annual IGF meetings is one of the successes among the outcomes of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes. This has been acknowledged by the decision of the General Assembly on the proposal of the UNGS about the extension of the IGF till 2015.

In our view no major changes should be implemented, however some suggestions on the preparatory work and access to the OGF documents may help further improvements.

### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

In our view specialized committees of the UN are the right framework for the Overall Review. In this regard we see the CSTD as the most suitable committee to fulfill this task. The work of the CSTD should be backed by special Task-Groups/Task-Forces to be created by the CSTD.

### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

*On the preparatory process and the workplan the Task-Groups/Task-Forces should decide.*

### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

*On the workplan the Task-Groups/Task-Forces should decide.*

## **5. Department of Information Technology, Government, India**

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The objective of the review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes should be assess as to what extent we have been able to move forward on the identified outcomes

and if there is a need of any course correction before 2015. The open consultation process is a welcome step and it is suggested that Regional Meetings may be organised specially for the countries of Asia and Africa to focus on key issues that need to be addressed for these specific regions. A platform needs to be created, possibly under the aegis of WSIS/UN/ITU to enable sharing of experiences and best practices across countries. Further, lot of work has been done in various countries which has led to socio-economic transformation enabled by the use of ICT. These achievements need to be shared across - example the mpaisa of Kenya or the Bhoomi project of India or the Common Services Centers (telecenters) initiative of India that will have learnings for other countries also. This would help in ensuring that the path towards achieving the WSIS outcomes is possible by 2015.

In addition there is a need to review the WSIS Outcomes to make it in sync with the changing technology and action lines need to evolve to capture the potential of Social Media tools and other collaborative technologies that enable sharing of best practices and experiences without any limitations. Mobile phones and M governance has a huge potential in not only addressing the WSIS Action Lines but also the millennium development goals

Further, the information exchange between member countries should be more frequent and country specific meetings should be initiated by the respective members themselves which should also be attended by the WSIS representatives to help them move forward on the agenda. Online meetings should be the norm, but formal meetings may also be organized in 2012 to ensure all are on board.

## **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The following meetings need to be organized:

1. Country specific meetings in all member countries in 2012.
2. Regional meetings in 2012-2013 to share the best practices
3. A formal meeting with all member countries and other stakeholders in 2014. India has already volunteered to host the Review Summit in 2014.
4. Apart from these formal meetings, there is a need for regular online interaction with all stakeholders for getting ideas, suggestions and views. This online facility should also enable sharing of best practices and also the 'crowd sourcing' strategy of coming up with solutions for the challenges being faced.

## **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

In Tunis 2 main paths were identified to be followed in the search of common principle:

WSIS (the place to promote ICT to help sustainable and fair development)

IGF (the place of discussion for policies related to Internet)

IGF and WSIS process needs to increase their complementarities and their dialogue in view of delivering common (or at least complementary) recommendations to 2015 WSIS. This is the wish of the broadcasting industry and we count on UN system (and mainly in UNESCO and ITU) to make of this process a success.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

The timelines for the meetings have been provided in Q 2 above. It is being reiterated here:

- 1) Country specific meetings in all member countries in 2012.
2. Regional meetings in 2012-2013 to share the best practices
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**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

1. India has been supporting the WSIS Process from the beginning and welcomes the UNGIS Open Consultation Process. It is important to ensure that the benefits of ICTs reach the last mile. In this regard would offer two suggestions:

a. All communities are creating their own infrastructure. Let us create a mechanism so that we can evolve a common platform in the areas of financial inclusion, agriculture, health or education, where all information is available to all the people worldwide. We would be very happy to host such a common platform in India and provide with the required resources.

b. Let us identify areas of common interest, such as security, open data, and use of social media for citizen engagement (today people want to be part of the political process).

2) Further, India would like to be Strategic Partner of WSIS and we would like to host the Overall Review Meeting in 2014

***6. Information Technology and Digital Media Center, Government, Iran***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1- Reviewing what have done in line with WSIS Action Lines 2- Revising the WSIS Action Lines and updating it 3- Proposing new agendas and measures to achieve WSIS goals 4- Determining the next milestone for example 2020 or 2025 for such High Level Meeting 5- Providing official report on Implementation of the WSIS during 2005-2015 and feed the report into MDG Summit

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

High Level meetings to discuss on what have done and what should be done in future with participation of the related Ministers of the countries, especially ICT Ministers, and head of the the main ICT companies such as Google, Microsoft, AT&T, Huawei, Vodafone, etc and the main NGOs.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1- Establish expert meetings to review the WSIS Action Lines and propose revisions which should be approved by the main the official delegates in the main High Level Meetings during Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes 2- Request the countries to provide official report on their achievements towards WSIS goals and their suggestion for the future at least one year before the meeting

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

1- Open Consultation Process on Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (WSIS+10) in 2011 2- Discussion on the goals, agendas and frameworks during WSIS 2012 3- expert meetings to review the WSIS Action Lines and propose revisions (2012 and 2013) 4- Request for country report: 2012 and 2013 5- Providing regional and global report 2013 and 2014 6- High Level Meeting 2014

***7. Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology, Government, Lesotho***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

To promote ICT in community development  
To train a number of individuals within a specific time period and the outcome will be improvement in innovation using ict as a stimulant for sustainable development.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Meetings that needs to be undertaken should concentrate more on integrating ict in all aspects of life. These should be through continuous capacity building and networking of experts.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Train WSIS staff to be fully familiar with the expectation of the institution so that they could take part in disseminating information to other stakeholders.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

March – April is appropriate time to have some of these meetings

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

For properly designed questionnaire, we should be given enough time to give answers, bearing in mind that we already have other pressing issues at our work places. Give at least two weeks.

***8. Ministry of ICT, Government, Mauritius***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1. To assess the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes by stocktaking and evaluating projects implemented by stakeholders with respect to the eleven WSIS Action Lines.
2. To provide a common platform for key global players and stakeholders to share information, knowledge, expertise and best practices as well as priorities, development needs and challenges faced in the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes.
3. To suggest solutions or remedial measures for failures or bottlenecks encountered during the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes.
4. To review the existing WSIS Action Lines in the light of global ICT development, emerging technologies e.g. broadband, and new challenges e.g. cybersecurity issues.
5. To identify "success stories" in the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes and provide some kind of reward schemes or incentives as well as encourage their replication by interested parties

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The WSIS Forum could be used as a platform for the review of the WSIS Outcomes.

Regional level meetings could be organised to enable countries within the same regional blocks to identify areas of collaboration in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes.

Thematic meetings could be organised for each Action Line.

Showcasing of some ICT applications (e.g. e-health, e-education, e-agriculture, e-adoption, e-infrastructure) that may have major impact in developing countries and facilitate in bridging the digital divide.

Meeting with development partners to work out funding mechanisms for the implementation of these applications in developing countries.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

A High Level Steering Committee/Task Force could be set up to drive the preparatory process (including planning, design, implementation and evaluation of the process).

The preparatory process should have a regional and a global approach. The regional meetings could culminate into a high-level meeting with the participation of all stakeholders.

A common platform could be set up for each area of focus (e.g. security, enabling environment, infrastructure, e-strategies), whereby focus groups/experts could interact effectively and share information, knowledge and experiences.

There should be awareness on the preparatory process and active participation in the process should be encouraged.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

The proposed meetings could span over a period of 6 to 12 months.

The review process should be completed by the year 2014, so that a high-level meeting could be held in 2015 (WSIS+10).

Further, the outcome of the review process could be reported at the Millenium+15 Summit scheduled for 2015.

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

The WSIS Review Meeting will provide an important forum for the assessment of the global progress in the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes. As such, all relevant stakeholders should be encouraged to actively participate in this exercise. Assistance could be provided to developing countries to support them in their efforts to reach their WSIS targets.

The Review should also consider the governance of Internet, which is a key topic given that the Internet is a fundamental tool at the service of mankind and underpins all spheres of economic activities and development.

The Review of the WSIS should also consider emerging technologies and trends as well as critical issues that certain countries might have been faced since the last review. The topics that may be considered during the WSIS Review are the Economic Crisis and its aftermath, Cloud Computing, Sustainable ICT, Green Technologies, Open Data Initiatives, Next Generation Networks and growing use of applications for smartphones, among others.

**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The main objective of the overall review of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes could be presented in the final report which would summarise the progress achieved and identify the shortcomings and the challenges for the future actions.

This report could comprise of the analysis of the current situation (including benchmarks and presentation of best practices) and measurement of the actual progress achieved especially with regards to each of the action as specified in the Geneva Action Plan, using - when appropriate - hard data and measurable indicators. There should be a link between the MDGs and the influence of the Internet on its achievement marked. All the measurements and comparisons should refer to 2015.

In conclusion to the report, revision/modification of actions (especially when taking into account recent ICT developments) and follow-up of the WSIS targets and goals could be proposed. It would be advisable if the report could include the recommendations for further actions.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

It might be perceived that the most appropriate formula for the meeting would be to have a discussion/meeting among the practitioners, with hands-on experience on the implementation of Geneva Action Plan actions. The outcome of such a review could be presented at one of the Internet Governance Forums. If the need arises the high-level meeting could be organized, but it should be born in mind that participation to such meeting could be limited. The financial concerns regarding the participation and organization of the meeting are also of importance and should be subject to further discussion.

Elaboration of the declaration for future improvements can also be considered as an additional outcome of the meeting. The WSIS Forum meeting in 2015 can be also considered as a possible place for the overall review.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The preparatory process should be transparent, inclusive, non-binding and open for contributions from all stakeholders, done under the guidance of the UNGIS. It could be considered that preparatory process would be two-phased with the length of the process to be discussed.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

As 2015 is the deadline for achieving the WSIS targets, all the results of the review process and indicators should refer to 2015 Outcomes could be presented either at the Internet Governance Forum or the WSIS Forum by the end of 2015.

**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes should focus on the assessment of the WSIS commitments and on understanding how Tunis Agenda has changed (or not) the Development paradigm (both in Developed, Emerging, Developing and least Developed countries). This assessment should also comprise the evolution and outcomes of the multistakeholder debate in the Tunis Agenda in the pursuit of economic and social development.

The objective of WSIS + 10 should involve analysing the level of accomplishment of the Action Lines, assessing which regions were more dynamic and which types of actions/policies were more structured. An effort should be made in collecting best practices, which have the potential to provide guidance for further action.

A global report, as a possible outcome of the review, should comprise a clear focus on how ICT support an inclusive and sustainable development and integrate different regions and stakeholder's perspectives and be based on specific and clear indicators.

Tunis Agenda and commitments should not be reopened for further negotiations and stakeholders should continue to fulfill its aims, assessing its progresses.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

We do not favor a set-up of new types of meetings or forms of discussion as IGF and the WSIS Forum provide appropriate settings to discuss the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes and to maximize the Tunis Agenda and commitments, which should not be reopened but fulfilled.

Therefore the meeting(s) should be action oriented and organized in an open and inclusive multistakeholder framework. We emphasize the role of the regional and national IGF's as examples of the type of meetings that could be held to better assist the completion of the Overall Review.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The preparatory process should be held in a open and inclusive atmosphere. Portugal is not in favor of a long preparatory process but a goal oriented and open to multistakeholder inputs. Resources should be used in the most efficient and transparent way. The process should be sustainable and continuous, using existing mechanisms. Remote participation should be enshrined in all this preparatory process.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**



The timeline for the Overall Review Process should be concluded by the GA in 2014 and have a clear and strong link to MDGs. Portugal does not support a lengthy process but a focused one with efficient use of available resources.

## ***11. Communications and Information Technology Commission, Government, Saudi Arabia***

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The Overall Review should result in an assessment of where we have succeeded and where we have failed in the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes, along with an analysis of why we have succeeded and failed. The assessment and analysis should be both global and regional, identifying those regions that remain most disadvantaged. The analysis should be linked to the MDGs. An important outcome is a way forward – decisions on what still needs to be done and how to do it, particularly in view of the significant changes to ICT challenges since 2005.

### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The Overall Review should be in a format similar to the original WSIS meetings, possibly in conjunction with PP-14. There should be particular emphasis on enabling remote participation and facilitating representative participation from developing countries. It is foreseeable that the Overall Review may create one or more Working Groups to develop specific strategies and recommendations for the way forward.

### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Create a Steering Committee and Secretariat to manage the overall preparatory process. Avoid duplication and leverage existing forums to develop inputs on the assessment and analysis.

### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

2011 – create the Steering Committee and Secretariat. 2012 and 2013 – address implementation of WSIS Outcomes in the global and regional IGFs and prepare assessment and analysis reports as input to the Overall Review. 2015 – Outcome of the Overall Review (and possibly of the Working Groups, if any) to be inputs to the MDG Summit.

### **5) Please provide other comments, if any**

ITU has been and should continue to be the overall facilitator and coordinator of activities related to WSIS and also related to the way forward that will be determined by this process.

## **12. Information Technology Authority, Government, Sultanate of Oman**

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

- Enhance the national ICT strategy
- Align national plans with international targets
- Raise public awareness on WSIS

### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

- High level meetings to boost the implementation process
- Regional meetings to share challenges and solutions
- Enhance and promote the online discussion/meetings

### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

- Country progress assessment and ranking need to be established

### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

- Comprehensive review and country ranking in 2013
- Preparatory review and reporting every year from 2012 to 2014

## **13. Telecommunication Regulatory Authority, Government, United Arab Emirates**

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The objectives, goals and possible outcomes are:

1. Recognizing the overall achievements made by all member states and sector members ( 2015 Golden Book of Achievements )
2. Report on Member states in terms of WSIS implementation status with clear country ranking ( 1 – 200 )
3. Identify and reward Active countries and Active projects/initiatives
4. Report on Member states best practices, gaps, and the areas of improvements (future opportunities)
5. Report on new challenges, trends and priorities for year 2014 and 2015
6. Connect Donors (funding bodies) with different regional projects
7. Identification of initiatives and projects for every region and country for the coming years considering projects which are suitable and viable
8. Identify all past years collaborative efforts ( joint projects, government and private sector projects)
9. Review WSIS action lines, and consider changing and amending the action lines to make them cope up with new challenges and to be specific and measurable
10. Set clear measurement criteria for each country to assess the WSIS Progress

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1. High level Meetings ( Invite high level representatives from all countries to attend the WSIS meeting in 2015 )
2. Meeting to address new challenges and set priorities for each country/region
3. Meeting to agree on a set of criteria for measuring the progress made
4. Media and Marketing Meetings to address high level preparation for the overall WSIS implementation

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1. Physical meeting in every year IGF meetings ( around 2 sessions ), local regional WSIS related events/meetings ( ITU should keep track of all regional WSIS related meetings)
2. Schedule conference calls ( remote rooms) with every key stakeholders ( one to one OR one to many accordingly to the region )

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

Overall review process should start by 2012 – 2014 ( 3 years of review process )

IGF Meetings / WSIS May Meeting, the stocktaking should be freezed by 2013

2014 – present countries progress / results, the overall status of WSIS ( success or failure or and areas which needs improvements )

2015 – Update on WSIS priorities / action lines / consider different approach for implementation and follow up

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

sign a separate body (consultant) the task to evaluate countries progress and identify best projects for every region and country

Freeze the Stocktaking by year December 2013 in order to start measuring the progress

Launch Publications about the following key topics:

15 best projects for every Region ( criteria should be clear and acceptable by all countries)

15 best collaborative initiatives ( government with private or civil )

15 best ICT projects

15 best new innovative projects ( could be young or for disable people)

Best Projects in under Every WSIS Action Line

Initiate a **“Project/Fund Exchange Program”** – a program that identifies the fund in one country and a good case of a project implementation in another, both countries can then work on exchanging the fund in return of an experience to replicate similar projects getting the right and suitable assistance, utilizing the ITU as a middle ground. The project should be of importance to the funding body in order to initiative this collaborative work. The projects should be listed in the Stocktaking and the ITU should list these projects for other member states in order to be considered for future implementation.

Introduce WSIS regional meetings (can be conducted virtually) (6 regions, North America, Latin America, Europe, Africa, Arab Countries, and Asia), to measure every region progress for the year 2014. The ITU should consider assisting the regions to commence their own regional meeting where countries start having a regional database and clear measurement criteria for that purpose. This will eventually assist in clearly identifying the progress globally and in specific to these regions/countries.

#### ***14. United Kingdom Government – Department for Culture, media and Sport (DCMS), Government, UK***

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### **1. Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The United Kingdom Government understands that Paragraph 111 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society is intended to ensure that full account is taken of how multi-stakeholder implementation activities at the global, regional and national levels have performed since 2005 in creating an inclusive and dynamic global information economy that benefits all citizens of the world no matter the stage of economic development of the national society in which they reside.

It is inherently important therefore for the review to determine the extent to which the digital divide has been reduced in the last 10 years through in particular advances in technology and applications, the adoption worldwide of best practice and harmonized policy approaches that foster the development of liberalised markets and innovation, the growth of public-private partnerships and unfettered cooperation amongst all actors in the information society. These

include the creators of business opportunities, the investor community, multilateral aid agencies, the technical community, user communities, civil society, parliamentarians, government policymakers, multi-stakeholder Internet entities and the inter-governmental organizations with a direct role in the growth of the global information society.

The conduct of the review should therefore be fully inclusive and seek to obtain substantive inputs from all the above stakeholder communities in all the world's regions. It should also collate, analyze and publish all the relevant indicators and data that have been amassed in the stock-taking reviews over the last 10 years. The final analysis should aim to identify in particular where progress has been limited, erratic or slow, and seek to identify the key determinants and barriers to implementation of the actions identified in the WSIS to address these issues.

The focus of the review will therefore be on progress with implementation in the developing and least developed economies. The centrepiece of the review should provide an assessment of progress in achieving development goals and objectives, including the Millennium Development Goals (MDG). In this way the WSIS review will serve as a key contribution to determining the extent to which the MDG have been achieved by the 2015 deadline and the reasons for any shortfalls so that remedies can be identified through further stakeholder consultations.

A preliminary report on the above findings should be prepared following a global programme of consultations to be conducted in the latter half of 2014. The consultations with the stakeholder communities in the regions should largely be conducted online using interactive technologies and services, facilitated by regional information hubs to be managed by the regional representative bodies or commissions of the UN agencies involved in the WSIS process using a harmonized template. The resources required for conducting these consultations should be subject to public scrutiny in order to ensure that they are conducted efficiently and inclusively.

The report will provide the basis for a single multi-stakeholder conference to be held in 2015 to discuss its findings. This should not be a negotiating forum but in pursuing any WSIS-related actions, it may wish to conduct workshops on specific issues to report to the main plenary.

The Tunis commitments should not be reopened for further negotiations and the conference should not be a re-run of the 2003-05 process or seek to amend or reject the existing WSIS recommendations. Only if there is broad stakeholder consensus that technological change has rendered a significant updating of any existing recommendations as desirable should such a revisit of the existing WSIS texts be contemplated. In this way the WSIS review in 2015 would recognize any fundamental change in the dynamics of the global information society that has been brought about by technological advance in the period since 2005.

## **2. Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The initial multi-stakeholder consultations should be conducted online within a 6 month timeframe in the latter half of 2014. This should be followed by a single two or three day conference to review the report of the consultations. This conference should be conducted in an open and inclusive manner, without seeking to negotiate a comprehensive text, where all stakeholders can participate on an equal footing. There should be remote participation facilitated by the regional representative bodies or commissions of the UN agencies involved in the WSIS process. The organizers of the regional hubs should ensure that there is widespread awareness in advance amongst all stakeholder communities of the ability to participate in the review conference remotely in all official UN languages.

The Conference should conclude with a Chairman's report which would summarize the findings of the review, with a specific emphasis on those findings most relevant to the MDG which would be forwarded to the partners in the UN MDG.

**3. Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The preparatory process should be fully open and inclusive relying primarily on well publicized environmentally sustainable interactive online consultations in all regions conducted in all the official UN languages through regional hubs managed by the regional representative bodies or commissions of the UN agencies involved in the WSIS process using a harmonized template. We would not support conducting a series of meetings for these preparatory awareness activities or consultations, in order to avoid creating resource and funding barriers to participation.

**4. Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

Broadly the UK recommends a three stage process during 2014 -15 commencing with an online awareness campaign for the review to explaining its necessity, overall objectives and outreach to stakeholders, conducted in the first half of 2014. This would be followed by online preparatory consultations with stakeholders in the second half of 2014 and culminating in the holding of the single review conference over two-three days in mid-2015.

**Private Sector**

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*1 Bangladesh Institute of ICT in Development (BIID), Private Sector, Bangladesh*

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

To understand and measure the progress of overall WSIS Plan of Action including specific initiatives at country level as well as global level.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

These meetings should invite relevant stakeholders with specific agenda in terms of achievements and initiatives, and more interactive sessions to discuss challenges and opportunities. Workshop type meeting could be better options.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Regional and Country level initiatives under UN framework (Other than UNDP lead) can be organized to discuss at local level and present in the meetings of the conferences.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

October 2011 to start the review process and December 2011 for the meetings.

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

Involve more private sector actors in the WSIS process.

**2 NOKOR-ACT, Private Sector, Cambodia**

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

[Note – The focus of this proposal concentrates on a subset of the Overall WSIS Review effort.] It is suggested that the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes take into account a cross-border and increasingly significant subset of the information society, namely: individuals and social groups engaging in so-called "virtual worlds". Their economic characteristics and developmental potential have recently been studied by a prominent development agency. The economic footprint and demographic outreach of such social groups —hereinafter referred to as "virtual societies" or "VS"— is expected to expand in the coming years. Suggested objectives: a) Review direct and indirect contributions of virtual societies to Millennium Development Goals. b) Foster stronger contributions to MDG's in the longer run. Suggested goals: a) Invite representatives of virtual societies to participate in WSIS Review in 2015; b) Raise global awareness and self-awareness. Suggested outcome: Action plans seeking synergies between virtual societies and other WSIS initiatives.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

It is suggested to hold two types of meetings: a) Meetings of conventional types; b) Meetings immersed within virtual worlds — to be scheduled prior to, and possibly also during the 2015 WSIS Review summit.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The preparatory process of the 2015 WSIS Review would require a specific outreach and promotion effort across VS stakeholders as well as WSIS participants with similar interests, e.g: VS members; VS business entrepreneurs; VS infrastructure operators; economists; academics; governance specialists; ethics specialists; philosophers; to name a few.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

It is suggested to allow a period of 24 months for preparatory meetings in relation to the consultation of virtual societies.

**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

*See below*

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

ICC BASIS input on WSIS review process The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and its BASIS initiative, Business Action to Support the Information Society, welcome the opportunity to contribute to the consultation on the WSIS review process. ICC BASIS and its cross-sectoral membership of businesses and associations from around the world have been active contributors throughout the Summits in Geneva and Tunis and in the post-WSIS processes and forums. The WSIS and the post-WSIS processes have proven the benefits of the inclusion of all relevant stakeholders in discussing, implementing and making progress on the WSIS goals and a people centered Information Society. All relevant stakeholders include governments, business, civil society, the Internet technical community, international and intergovernmental organizations. We believe the process associated with this review of the WSIS outcomes should continue to include all relevant stakeholders on an equal footing and in a substantive manner. All relevant stakeholders have been actively engaged in a broad range of activities, processes and forums which continue to implement the WSIS goals. Thus, we believe a review of the outcomes will benefit from their full participation in all aspects. As stakeholders devote their time, energy and resources to continue to implement the WSIS outcomes, we encourage all to remain sensitive to the limited financial and human resources of ALL stakeholders while considering how this review should happen, and what will be the best use of limited resources.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

We note an idea that was put forward by the Government of Finland during the UN Group on the Information Society (UNGIS) meeting regarding this review process. The proposal was to utilize the WSIS action lines Forum in 2014 or 2015 by focusing it on WSIS review and making this the event where all stakeholders can take part in this assessment. WSIS review needs to take place in a fully multistakeholder context, without constraints of UN participation rules; hence, the WSIS action lines Forum would be an appropriate venue for this review. We strongly encourage and support the equal participation in the WSIS review of all the UN agencies that have leadership of WSIS action lines. We also raise the possibility of a main session at an Internet Governance Forum (IGF) in the coming years that would focus on “taking stock” of the IGF’s own contribution to implementation of WSIS goals. This would also ensure a widespread understanding of the separate and distinct mandates and focus of the WSIS action lines Forum and the IGF, respectively. Given the limited resources of all relevant stakeholders, we are pleased that lengthy preparatory committee meetings are not being envisioned for the WSIS review process. Every effort should be made to ensure that the valuable resources of all stakeholders are put to the best, and most effective, use possible. The use of online tools to ensure inclusive participation in an effective and efficient online preparatory process would be the most useful way to take stock of the implementation progress, allowing the investment of resources instead in actual



initiatives that will progress further the WSIS goals. Additionally, enabling remote participation and archiving of information eases continued engagement by all current and future stakeholder groups. In today's environment, a burdensome preparatory process and stand-alone event would not be in the interest of any stakeholder group. Thank you for your consideration of the views of global business on this important matter.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

see above

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

About the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

The International Chamber of Commerce is the largest, most representative business organization in the world. Its thousands of member companies in over 120 countries have interests spanning every sector of private enterprise. A world network of national committees keeps the ICC International Secretariat in Paris informed about national and regional business priorities. More than 2000 experts drawn from ICC's member companies feed their knowledge and experience into crafting the ICC stance on specific business issues. The United Nations, the World Trade Organization, and many other intergovernmental bodies, both international and regional, are kept in touch with the views of international business through ICC. For more information please visit: [www.iccwbo.org](http://www.iccwbo.org)

About BASIS ICC created BASIS to raise awareness among the public, governments, civil society, intergovernmental organizations and technical community of what business requires to continue contributing to the development of the Information Society. It serves as the voice of business in the global dialogue on the Information Society, following two World Summits on the Information Society (WSIS) held in Geneva (2003) and Tunis (2005). To promote the environment in which business around the world will continue to thrive as an innovator of information and communication technologies, BASIS participates in UN-linked forums set up to continue the dialogue, such as the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) and the WSIS follow up and implementation processes, and the UN Global Alliance for ICTs and development (GAID). To help shape the agenda and participate in these global discussions, BASIS relies on the policies developed in the ICC Commission on E-business, IT and Telecoms as the foundation for its efforts. BASIS builds on the activities and network of the Coordinating Committee of Business Interlocutors (CCBI), which ICC formed to coordinate participation by world business in the processes leading up to and at WSIS. BASIS members include business organizations such as the TechAmerica, World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA), Africa Investor, Global Information Infrastructure Commission (GIIC), Japan Business Federation (Nippon Keidanren), and the Association for Competitive Technology (ACT) as well as several ICC national committees and companies from across sectors and geographies.

For further information regarding BASIS, the founding partners, members and activities, visit: [www.iccwbo.org/basis](http://www.iccwbo.org/basis)

#### **4**      *The Internet Society, Private Sector Entity, Switzerland*

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##### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The Internet Society (ISOC) would like to express its support to a certain number of proposals to focus the WSIS action lines Forum in 2014 on assessing and implementation of WSIS commitments. In addition, it doesn't seem useful at this point to organize a separate Summit in 2014/2015 including a new Declaration and Plan of Action.

The review should allow a concrete assessment and evaluation of the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes. The discussion could allow identifying best practices and tangible mechanisms to improve information of all stakeholders involved.

In addition, we recognize the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) as one of the most active and successful outcomes of the WSIS. We recommend examining better ways to integrate the IGF in the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes. In a similar way, a natural evolution for the IGF could be to have a stronger linkage with the UN Commission on Science and Technology Development (CSTD), while maintaining the IGF's multi-stakeholder dimension.

Finally, we recommend that the outcomes of the Review be a light resolution, allowing by its design for input from all stakeholders.

##### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

ISOC has had the privilege to contribute to all phases of the WSIS. We believe strong participation to the WSIS process is a condition to its success, and we have also supported participation of diverse groups of stakeholders through our "ISOC WSIS Ambassadorship" programme.

In order to enhance participation in the preparatory process, we would strongly suggest that meetings be done on-line (having regular conference calls, creating mailing lists on various action lines, etc) where possible. All meetings and whatever events should be multi-stakeholder and inclusive.

ISOC would also recommend that any physical preparatory meeting be held in Geneva. Over the years, we have found that Geneva is a practical location for building a fruitful and interactive WSIS dialogue. Geneva has been a convenient location capable of gathering an impressive number of organizations and individuals, and allowing Internet governance discussions to be truly multi-stakeholder. As the UN CSTD meetings, as well as the majority of the Internet Governance Forum's consultation and advisory group

meetings are held in Geneva, this location allows stakeholders to meet on a regular basis.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

*ISOC recommends that the preparatory process be as inclusive and multi-stakeholder as possible. In the spirit of the Tunis Agenda, the "Internet technical and academic communities" should be fully recognized in the process.*

*In keeping with the multi-stakeholder essence of the WSIS, panels should gather participants from all sectors of the Internet ecosystem. The Internet technical and academic communities need to be formally included.*

*Given the importance of the WSIS outcomes and their implementation, we recommend that in 2014, the Review includes a discussion on how to improve the annual follow-up of the WSIS evaluation.*

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

*ISOC suggests to couple all physical preparatory events and meetings with IGF preparatory meetings (Open Consultations and MAG meetings) in Geneva.*

*The overall review process could follow the following timeline:*

- *Call for proposals launched in view of next May's WSIS Forum: online consultation*
- *Discussion at the physical meeting next May*
- *Further refinement of the agenda etc,*
- *Adoption of the agenda in May 2013*
- *On-line final preparations of 2014 meeting.*

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

From the perspective of a not-for-profit organisation such as ISOC, there can be no doubt that the innovations and openness that the WSIS brought to all the organisations and stakeholders involved has continued into the implementation phase.

ISOC welcomes the opportunity to be part of this effort, and looks forward to continuing to work with others to contribute.

**5 VnECPRO, Private Sector Entity, Vietnam**

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Building human resources and national regulation on enterprises management and implementation trade contract in respected international trade law

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

International Trade law and regulations

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Training courses about International Trade law with experiences on its resolved

Study and Executive the Trade international Law

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

*Begin at Octobre 2011.*

## **Civil Society**

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### **1. Project Danube, Civil Society, Austria**

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

I am an Internet developer and entrepreneur, and participant of the original WSIS Tunis summit. I would like to submit the following two points as input to the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS

Outcomes:

1. There is an ongoing and heated debate about technical, political and legal frameworks for personal identity on the Internet. While some argue for requiring the use of real names on the Internet, others are trying to promote anonymity as a human right. Even though this debate is certainly important, it misses a much more important aspect of identity: Cultural identity. This concept needs to be much better integrated in next generation social networks, in order to ensure the respect for cultural diversity on one hand, and intercultural dialogue on the other hand. On today's social network platforms such as Facebook or Google+, for example, there is little to no notion of this cultural identity.

2. There are large and dynamic communities of Internet engineers, visionaries and entrepreneurs who embody not only the ability to make next generation communication technologies happens, but also a set of ideal that are quite close to those of WSIS.

UNGIS, WSIS, UNESCO & Co. need to reach out to those communities, in order to promote WSIS values and incorporate them in actual new technologies..

The objective of WSIS + 10 should involve analysing the level of accomplishment of the Action Lines, assessing which regions were more dynamic and which types of actions/policies were more structured. An effort should be made in collecting best practices, which have the potential to provide guidance for further action.

A global report, as a possible outcome of the review, should comprise a clear focus on how ICT support an inclusive and sustainable development and integrate different regions and stakeholder's perspectives and be based on specific and clear indicators.

Tunis Agenda and commitments should not be reopened for further negotiations and stakeholders should continue to fulfill its aims, assessing its progresses.

## **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Meeting #1: A New Culture of Peace via ICTs: Despite the fact that the UN decade for a Culture of Peace is over, I am convinced that this concept remains our best strategy for working toward the values of the UN Charter. This meeting should aim at working out realistic (!) guidelines and proposals on how modern social networks and other applications can incorporate Culture of Peace principles, a notion of cultural identity (as opposed to only personal identity), and effective tools for intercultural dialogue. Meeting #2: WSIS Outreach to Tech Communities: Many individuals, organizations and companies in the private sector as well as civil society work on their own to create tomorrow's Internet applications and services. Within these communities (e.g. Silicon Valley conferences, but also universities and companies around the world), there is not only actual power for making technologies happen, but typically also a wealth of idealism

to build a better world using ICTs. Unfortunately, within those very same communities, there is little or no knowledge and cooperation with the values of WSIS. The next Facebook won't be created by the UN, but if UNGIS / WSIS become visible enough in the right places, then the next Facebook might very well be based on UN values and principles. Therefore, there needs to be an effort of active and friendly outreach within the next few years, including participation in conferences, providing active input, seeking dialogue with decision makers and opinion leaders, etc.

## **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

I have to admit I have little experience in planning and organizing preparatory processes like this, but I would propose that UNGIS, UNESCO and other WSIS representatives take a much more significant role within those communities (e.g. Silicon Valley, academia, etc.) where actual achievements can be made for tomorrow's (mainstream) technologies.

## **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

Some of the upcoming conferences where the UNGIS / WSIS community could reach out to concrete

communities which are working on next generation identity, personal data, and social networking

technologies:

<http://www.internetidentityworkshop.com/> - Internet Identity Workshop

<http://sxsw.com/> - South by Southwest

<http://www.w3.org/2005/Incubator/federatedsocialweb/> - Federated Social Web

<http://personaldataecosystem.org/> - Personal Data Ecosystem

... and many more ...

### **5) Please provide other comments, if any**

I have prepared a video for you... I would be very happy for any feedback:

<http://vimeo.com/28622243>

I also have some more material on the overlap of ICTs and Peace&Conflict here:

<http://projectdanube.org/publications/>

If you like, give me a call at +43 664 3154848

- Markus Sabadello

## **2. ACTION DE SENSIBILISATION SUR LES NTIC, Civil Society, DR Congo**

### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Pour l'implantation des résultats du plan d'action du SMSI, nous pensons que la stratégie en matière de des TIC/télécommunications doit viser l'amélioration de l'accessibilité aux services fixes et mobiles de télécommunications, notamment la téléphonie et l'Internet, par la création d'une infrastructure des télécommunications nationales et internationales à haut débit ; promouvoir un marché des télécommunications concurrentiel, cohérent et innovant à travers le renforcement de la libéralisation et la compétitivité du secteur ; améliorer la contribution des technologies de l'information et de la communication au développement économique et social et garantir son accès universel sur l'ensemble du territoire national. En ce qui concerne les Pays en voie de développement et les Pays les moins Avancés, j'estime que le renforcement des capacités des experts fonctionnaires et dirigeant qui interviennent dans le développement des TIC s'impose. Les propositions

des priorités pour la période de 2011 à 2015 sont : (i) renforcement de capacité dans de le e-gouvernement, (ii) la mise en place des infrastructures haut débit (fibre optique), (iii) l'amélioration et l'harmonisation des cadres juridiques, (iv) la migration vers le numérique, (v) le déploiement des télécentres communautaires aux TIC, (vi) le mise en route d'un plan de cybersécurité. Les résultats attendus devraient être : La réduction de la fracture numérique, l'utilisation des TIC comme outil de développement social surtout dans les PMA.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Nous suggérons que les parties prenantes encourage des réunions préparatoire au niveau régional surtout l'Afrique ainsi que des réunions en ligne, afin de recevoir les points de vues et les contributions des populations parties prenantes du SMSI.

Aussi encourager la présence de la société civile et des délégués des Pays en développemnt, au différentes réunions avec prise en charge.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Recenser les besoins en matière de développement en tenant compte des problèmes locaux des populatons, afin d'inclure des dans le processus des thèmes pouvant répondre directement.

Collaborer avec les organisations regionales et internationales présentes dans les Pays afin de pouvoir repertorier les meilleures pratiques réalisées en ce qui concerne le SMSI. Au niveau régional, organiser des réunions régionales en vue d'évaluer les meilleures pratiques au niveau régional.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

Nous suggérons qu'il se tienne une réunion préparatoire mensuelle avant le SMSI. Alternativement, une réunion en ligne et une suivante physique.

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

Nous souhaitons que pour l'année 2013, le Forum SMSI se tienne en Afrique pour permettre à nombreux d'Africains n'ayant pas la possibilité de se déplacé pour Genève de prendre part aux assises. Aussi, au sujet de la participation à distance, nous suggérons que les organisations des Nations Unies parties prénantes au SMSI (PNUD, UNTCA et autres) puissent mettre en place des centres temporaires à internet pour permettre aux participants à distance de pouvoir suivre et participer interactivement aux différentes étapes du processus.

### **3. ISOC Sénégal, Civil Society, Dakar**

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#### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Objectifs:

-La place que les 10 cibles du SMSI ont joué dans la réalisation des Objectifs du Millénaire pour le Développement (OMD) -L'appropriation du SMSI par les populations du monde

-Voir la place de la jeunesse dans la réalisation des objectifs du SMSI

Résultats:

-Mise en place des moyens pour une meilleure connaissance du SMSI et de ses 10 cibles au niveau planétaire

-Mise en place des éléments statistiques et d'une véritable industrie ou communauté statistique pour une meilleure analyse et un meilleur suivi de la Société de l'Information

#### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Des réunions préparatoires de bas niveau:

-Dans chaque pays que les acteurs locaux se retrouvent autour des bureaux du système des Nations Unies dans les différents pays

-Que par sous-région au niveau de chaque continent qu'un Forum des Jeunes soit organisé pour que les jeunes du secteur des TIC et Non fassent leur rapport sur le SMSI et donner leurs perspectives

-Que les utilisateurs lamdas de la planète fassent aussi leur analyse

Des réunions de haut niveau à l'étape continental et mondial

-Dans chaque continent que les différentes parties prenantes se retrouvent par secteur pour faire leur analyse selon leur prisme

--Etats & Gouvernements

--Le Secteur privé

--La Société Civile

#### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Je prône une approche communautaire: Dans cette approche les obligatoires seront claires. La participation active des différentes parties prenantes. L'égalité pour tous dans la prise de décision. Elle devra aussi s'attaquer aux causes et non traités des symptômes. Le sens de l'action partira de la communauté vers les instances mondiales de la Société de l'Information (ITU, ICANN, ONU, etc.)

#### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

-Novembre 2011 Forum des jeunes dans les différentes sous-régions

-Janvier 2012 Réunions préparatoires dans les différents pays

-Février 2012 Différentes réunions des utilisateurs lamdas



-Mars 2012 Différentes réunions de haut niveau à l'étape

#### **5) Please provide other comments, if any**

Il y a une forte nécessité de faire connaître les organisations du secteur qui font la Société de l'Information au grand public (IUT, ICANN, ISOC, etc.). Le citoyen lambda utilise Internet, sans savoir ce qu'il y a derrière, ni qui est derrière. L'approbation de la communauté (de la société) est importante pour donner une certaine légitimité aux actions. Il va falloir prévoir des campagnes de sensibilisation à grande échelle pour informer sur la Société de l'Information (à l'image de ce qui est fait pour le SIDA). Je félicite IUT et UNGIS pour le travail réalisé jusqu'à présent mais je souhaite que le multilinguisme soit plus visible et plus présent au sien de l'IUT et aussi au niveau de l'UNGIS. Car tous les documents pour cette consultation ouverte ne sont qu'en Anglais de facto on exclut certains alors que le système des Nations Unies à 6 langues pourquoi n'avons nous pas les documents relatifs à cette consultation dans les 6 langues. Cela participe aussi à l'augmentation de la fracture numérique, parce que cette consultation vise à donner les contours de la Société de l'Information. Et du faite qu'elle ne soit faite qu'en Anglais certains sont exclus, et la Société de l'Information ne reflétera pas l'image réel du monde car l'avis et les préoccupations de ceux qui ne s'expriment pas en anglais ne pourront pas être connus. BUILDING THE INFORMATION SOCIETY WSIS Stocktaking: Stocktaking of activities relevant to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Ce document n'est qu'en Anglais / pas de déclinaison dans les autres langues.

#### ***4. Gedaref Digital City, Civil Society, Republic of the Sudan***

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##### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

1- Best utilization of ICT for community development 2- Improve the quality of community training to enhance capacity building, quality skills and certification. 3- Knowledge exchange, sharing experiences and best practices through ICT in a public private partnership (PPP) ways 4- Bridging the digital divide especially within persons with disability, disadvantage and marginalized communities to connect the unconnected for better inclusion. 5- Achieving the millennium developments goals (8th MDGs) 6- Help the governments to speed up the e-services to the community. 7- Co-ordination between the working organizations and institutions in the field of Information Technology to achieve the shared goals, participate in establishing new Telecentres, and supporting the operating Telecentres

##### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

there should a local meeting at the base of the pyramid including ICT experts, community leader , the triangles of PPP and community Representative as end users. then a national and regional which end with the global meetings

### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

there should be different sectors and themes for each of the 8th MDGs... develop a partnership for promotion and dissemination like what we are doing for iwrite4WSIS [http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=359:gdco-supporting-media-or-associate-partner&catid=38:rokstories-samples](http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=359:gdco-supporting-media-or-associate-partner&catid=38:rokstories-samples) [http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=357%3Awill-you-please-write-4-wsis-and-be-a-wsis-strategic-partners-&catid=38%3Arokstories-samples](http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=357%3Awill-you-please-write-4-wsis-and-be-a-wsis-strategic-partners-&catid=38%3Arokstories-samples) [http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=130:2011-06-11-08-00-33&catid=38:rokstories-samples](http://gedaref.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=130:2011-06-11-08-00-33&catid=38:rokstories-samples)

### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

there should be a continuous meeting at the local level,, followed by a monthly meeting and a nominated committee,, then every three months at the national level and six months regionally and annual meeting globally

## ***5. CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation, Civil Society, South Africa***

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Goal: Overall Review organized as a genuine multi-stakeholder platform inclusive of governments, private sector, and a broad spectrum of civil society in forum with each having an equal footing to achieve the following. Objectives: 1) Identify key areas with the greatest potential benefit to citizen engagement with government and the private sector from information technology, such as open data, public access to information, and e-governance. 2) Measure countries' progress in using information technology to promote maximum public participation in the public and private sector as well as enable informal citizen activism. 3) Identify case studies of existing best practices of facilitating and supporting citizen engagement and participatory democracy by using information technology, e.g. the interactive online drafting of Iceland's new constitution. Outcome: Overall Review dialogue empowers governments, the private sector, and civil society toward proactive citizen engagement and participatory democracy.

### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Multi-stakeholder regional meetings and consultations should be organized in the years leading up to the Overall Review. These Regional meetings and consultations will both enable a wider and more diverse dialogue with stakeholders. The outputs of these regional initiatives should then also feed into the themes of the Overall Review in 2014. Multi-stakeholder dialogues at the regional and global levels should be arranged around themes including: inclusion of vulnerable and marginalized groups, open access to information, preserving the internet as an open and free space for debate and dialogue, proactive approaches to citizen engagement via information technologies and spanning

the gap between digital and in-person engagement. Being of aware of both cost implications and potential synergies, regional and global meetings should strive to be held as part of or parallel to other key government, private sector and civil society gatherings to unlock the participation and input of previously unengaged stakeholders.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

A Steering Committee should be form to guide the preparatory process with equal representation of government, private sector and civil society stakeholders on equal footing. As an initial objective in the preparatory process, the Steering Committee should seek to inform and activate a diverse range of stakeholders across sectors, particularly civil society, and fields to foster their participation in developing the content and form of the Overall Review. Information technologies should be fully utilized to promote and enable remote participation in the preparatory process and discussion, but attention must also be paid to proactively bridging gaps to engage stakeholders, particularly at the local level, who are on the other side of the still persistent digital gap. One key should be to raise awareness of both cost implications and potential synergies. Regional and global consultations and meetings should be held as part of or parallel to other key government, private sector and civil society gatherings to engender participation and input from previously unengaged stakeholders.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

December 2011 - Formation of the multistakeholder Steering Committee  
January - June 2012 - Outreach activities (primarily via ICTs) to inform diverse range of stakeholders on WSIS+10 Overall Review Process  
July 2012 - June 2013 - Regional multistakeholder meetings  
September 2012 - Global WSIS+10 multistakeholder meeting at the CIVICUS World Assembly in Montreal  
July - August 2013 - Consolidation of regional multistakeholder meetings  
September 2013 - Global WSIS+10 multistakeholder meeting at the CIVICUS World Assembly in Francophone Africa  
November 2014 - Overall Review Meeting

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

The discussions also need to focus on creating enabling environment for citizens and civil society to use information technologies for participating in governance and policy making, In many regions of the globe, access to information is limited due to restrictive laws and practices. These issues must be discussed in detail as well as delving into solutions to engender greater participation of citizens.

***6. Association for Progressive Communications, Civil Society, South Africa***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

- Provide elements to assess the degree of progress towards achieving the WSIS and other internationally agreed goals in which ICTs have a role to play (in particular the MDGs and human rights agreements);
- Provide elements to assess the participation of the various stakeholders in the implementation of the WSIS action lines;
- Identify new priority areas that need to be considered in the WSIS+10 meeting. The positions and contributions of all relevant stakeholders should be considered in the outcomes of the review process, which means that their effective participation has to be secured independently of their financial possibilities. Resources should also be made available to initiatives oriented towards promoting the expression and consideration of Southern and civil society voices in the process. The official outcomes should include:
  - A ten-year review and appraisal of the implementation of the WSIS declaration and plan of action;
  - Agenda and proposed procedures for the work of the WSIS+10 Preparatory Committee (PrepComm). These two documents should synthesise the contributions made by all the stakeholders in the review process. In addition, references should be provided to the contributions produced by all stakeholders as part of the official outcomes. We suggest that a web page is set up for this. In the next months APC will be looking for additional financial resources in order to implement two new initiatives that would generate concrete contributions to the WSIS review process: a GISWatch 2015 report on WSIS+10 and a project that would build on the Civil Society Declaration to the WSIS. The WSIS+10 special Global Information Society Watch (GISWatch, <http://giswatch.org/about>) report will offer a critical analysis of the implementation of global and regional ICT policy agreements in the past 10 years, including the WSIS and also regional agreements such as the regional action plans and roadmaps that resulted from the regional conferences held in preparation of the second phase of the WSIS, as well as their follow-up processes. The WSIS+10 report will include more than 60 country studies (62 countries will be included in the 2011 report) and, similarly to what was done in the first GISWatch report, an overview of the main institutions and bodies that are currently in charge of the implementation of the WSIS agreements will also be included. The second project that APC plans to develop is conceived as an opportunity to promote the active involvement of organisations working on communications rights in the WSIS+10 process. It will be based on a review of the civil society declaration “Shaping information societies for human needs”, which was developed by organisations participating in the WSIS process after the finalisation of the first summit in December 2003 in Geneva (<http://goo.gl/LqeYg>). More information about this initiative is provided below.

## **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

APC would like to suggest that the WSIS review process is conducted at global but also at regional and national levels. An effective way to do this would be to link the WSIS review and the regional Internet governance forum processes, which have emerged in the last five years as relevant multistakeholder platforms for policy dialogue around internet governance and ICT4D issues, embracing and respecting the WSIS principles. Linking the WSIS and IGF processes would contribute to not only identify the various national and regional priorities in order to bring them to the global arenas but also encourage greater exchange, dialogue and complementarities between them. We are convinced both process share similar challenges in addressing related internet global policies and might be mutually benefited by such linkage. The WSIS review process should also incorporate substantially the outcomes of the annual sessions of the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD), which provide an opportunity to explore particular

aspects of WSIS goals. To make sure that and all relevant stakeholders –and, in particular, civil society organisations- can effectively contribute to the process, additional resources need to be channelled to the WSIS review process at regional level. In particular, UN regional commissions should express their commitment with the WSIS review process by providing the necessary means to ensure the participation of all stakeholders. Collaboration with governments and other stakeholders is also essential in order to implement review process at national level. UN bodies at the different levels (national, regional, global) should find effective ways to promote and support national WSIS reviews in order to really open up the process to all interested parties.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The WSIS Action line implementation and follow up process needs to continue to be a constructive platform for shared learning, collaboration, networking and monitoring of the Geneva Action Plan and Tunis Agenda. Processes should be:

- Participatory - for example, by putting clear mechanisms in place for the effective engagement and inclusion of all the interested parties, particularly of developing countries actors in way that allow to fully integrate the multistakeholder approach in WSIS follow up and implementation at all levels.
- Proactive - for example, by coordinating initiatives across agencies and stakeholder communities.
- Analytical - for example, by addressing a small number of specific issues in detail.
- Evaluative - for example, by monitoring activity related to WSIS outcomes.
- Informative - for example, by facilitating exchange of information between participants.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

- National preparatory meetings (2012 – 2014)
- Regional preparatory meetings (2012 – 2014)
- Global preparatory meetings (2012 – 2014)

We suggest that each year the meetings are focused on the implementation of four of the WSIS action lines, making “human rights and the internet” a transversal theme for all the meetings.

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

APC supports the WSIS process and remains committed to participating in the processes that emerged from the WSIS with a view to improving the process, building CSO participation in the process and monitoring implementation of areas of most interest to APC. As mentioned, APC is planning to develop two initiatives in order to support this: a special GISWatch report focused on WSIS+10 and a review of the WSIS Civil Society Declaration. In the context of this project, an interactive platform will be incorporated into the GISWatch website to gather information from civil society organisations –in addition to the information that is provided each year by the GISWatch partners- in order to measure the perception of the distance between civil society’s goals, the commitments agreed by the international community and their effective implementation. A new index would be

developed to communicate this perception, which would be included each year in the GISWatch report as an advocacy tool. While this will be a civil-society-driven review, the philosophy will be one of engagement and collaboration in multi-stakeholder environments. Rather than competing with initiatives such as the partnership to measure the information society, it will be aimed at complementing it with the perspective of civil society. As mentioned, the development of these projects is conditioned to the possibility of securing funds for them. We believe these initiatives –and others, developed by other stakeholders– to be relevant contributions to the official review process and would therefore like to propose that concrete resources are channelled to them. We estimate that for the civil society declaration review USD 40,000 need to be raised while the estimated budget for the GISWatch WSIS+10 special report is of USD 200,000.

## ***7. ISETO / OISTE, Civil Society, Switzerland***

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### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

On the specific field of Internet security:

Objective: widen the consensus about the most viable solutions dealing with secure digital identities

Goal: a more secure Internet

Outcomes: a better understanding of the stumbling blocks to solve the problems of interoperability, compliance testing, identity assurance, privacy and other technical, political and legal issues related with digital identities.

### **2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The International Standard Setting process: ITU + ISO

The National Standard Setting process: National standard institutions + International Organizations + Private Sector + Civil Society

Private actors in the Standard Setting process:

Workshops led by ICANN

Workshops led by the Internet Society

Workshops led by OpenID and the Kantara Initiative

International law and the Internet

### **3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Consultations with stake-holders with a clear identification of the stances taken by governments, the private sector and organizations representing civil-society

### **4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

2012 - priority given to Civil Society

2013 - priority given to the State Sector

2014 - priority given to the Private Sector

2015 - multi-sectorial meetings and WSIS+10

2016 - declared the year of Cyber-Security by ECOSOC

#### **5) Please provide other comments, if any**

The process of setting standards to deal with digital identities is driven by companies, professional organizations and experts with a stake on the issue. There is little or no participation from the “lambda” user of Internet. The WSIS + 10 is the forum to address this matter bearing in mind that the Internet blurs the boundaries of the national state and creates the basis for a truly global citizenship. The traditional concept of national sovereignty is challenged by the numeric revolution. The tension that arises from this fact requires that new voices emerge and find the opportunity to express their opinion.

New participatory processes have to be set in place to allow the nearly 2 billion users of Internet to bear on the decision-making processes dealing with key issues affecting the security of Cyberspace.

The OISTE foundation follows the evolution of this process and seeks to gather and represent the views of a global civil society in the adoption of solutions to the digital identity issue, monitoring that they correspond to the public interest.

### ***8. Uganda Scout Association, Civil Society, Uganda***

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#### **1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The objectives should strongly be based on the improvement of ICT infrastructure because there is still a big gap in ICT between the Under Developed Countries and the Developed Countries with strong reference to Africa. There for to achieve the 2015 goal, the forum should concentrate on projects that rural based because according to a recent research carried out, ICT infrastructure is high concentrated in the urban areas compared to the rural with 68% in the rural area, 18% in urban areas and the remainder have no ICT knowledge. Secondly, Communities based organizations should create their projects based on extension of ICT and through is through enhancement and building on ICT Infrastructure. There is a lot of Misuse of Development funds which should strongly be addressed in the Parliamentary forums and appropriate measures should be derived in order for appropriate ICT implementation projects be developed. The Outcomes of the WSIS are great because there is a rapid development of ICT especially with the introduction of Android development which supports Mobile application. Secondly, the outcomes should be geared towards promoting an even growth and distribution of ICT especially we discover the gap in the Technology for instance the 3G technology which has not reached in certain parts, so the outcome



should be based strongly in bridging the Technological Gap. As we build a strong interconnection, we should put strong emphasis on Child Online Protection and Cyber security because this is still a big challenge. As we gear our strategies in achieving the 2015 goal, strong appropriate measures should be taken in restricting the content provide and Cyber networks Security. On ground analytical tools should be used and evaluate ICT growth through the different mechanism in developing countries in reference to achieving the Millennium development Goals and the use of ICT to foster development in different Sectors.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The meetings to be help should be Open Participatory Meetings where the Stakeholders brainstorm and ideology and come up with appropriate working solutions..

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The preparatory processes should be based on ICT reports of the different countries as they build the Gap. Secondly, Online Preparatory processes should be enhanced and streamlined with the Connectivity Challenge in Africa.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings**

The Overall Review Process should be done by 2014 such a final report be compiled and presented in the 2015.

**International Organizations**

***1. Association des clubs d'entrepreneurs étudiants du Tchad, International Organization, Chad***

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Rien à signaler pour le moment

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

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**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Rien à signaler pour le moment

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**



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*2. Conference of Non-governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO), International Organization, Switzerland*

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**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

The WSIS impetus, outreach and comprehensive partnership approach are of such immediate and long-term importance that the Overall Review must ensure that the post-2015 period and processes are thoroughly prepared, involving all stakeholders. There must be no slowing down or hesitation about continuing processes and structures beyond 2015, under the continued overall stimulation of the United Nations System. This will require adequate Secretariat underpinning, which in turn requires adequate financial underpinning

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

In addition to the substantive ITC and related issues, there will need to be consideration of possible international legal instruments to anchor WSIS outcomes in the long term. All meetings should of course be based on and strengthen the multi-stakeholder participatory process, with input from the broad range of Major Groups and “Families” Expert and impartial scientific and technological meetings will be an essential component in helping to ensure that the benefits deriving from the WSIS Outcomes are fully available to developing countries.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

To repeat, multi-stakeholder and participatory

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

Depending on resources, as early a start as feasible !

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

To assist the United Nations to move forward on WSIS Outcomes, the competent input of responsible Civil Society Organizations is ever more needed. Based on experience of working with communities and peoples, this input will contribute to better, more-realistic intergovernmental decision-making which takes account of the long-term needs of the planet.

**1) Please provide objectives, goals and possible outcomes of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

EBU, as all the other Broadcasting Unions of the world has been and will remain strongly committed to the success of the WSIS process. We hope that in 2015 the process will positively be concluded after 12 years of reflection and discussion. As for what concerns the goals and possible outcomes, EBU expects the following:

- a. Set up shared principles in the converging world on a global scale to set up Spectrum, Media and Cultural Diversity. This is the only way to build the society of knowledge and information we are all looking for;
- b. The new digital world will have to count on structures and rules adequate to the digital convergence, where the same principles apply to the same services despite of their form of distribution (broadcasting dedicated network, satellite or telecom lines , either fixe or mobile);
- c. These principles need to be agreed , on equal footing, between all stakeholders: governments, industry, civil society and international organizations;
- d. WSIS process it's not all about infrastructure. Developing world needs both infrastructure and the capacity to develop its own content. If not, the developing countries will simply be flooded with content from countries that have a head start – sometimes of decades. This need will have to be build up and become one of the WSIS priorities.

**2) Please indicate what type of meeting(s) should be held within the framework of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

Broadcasting plays an essential part in the information society . A specific reflection on contents, their diversity and related human rights, needs to be launched (by UNESCO ? in partnership with all interested parties) as soon as possible, in order to bring this part of the action at the same level than the others.

**3) Please describe the type of preparatory process that might be proposed for the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes**

In Tunis 2 main paths were identified to be followed in the search of common principle:

WSIS (the place to promote ICT to help sustainable and fair development)

IGF (the place of discussion for policies related to Internet)

IGF and WSIS process needs to increase their complementarities and their dialogue in view of delivering common (or at least complementary) recommendations to 2015 WSIS. This is the wish of the broadcasting industry and we count on UN system (and mainly in UNESCO and ITU) to make of this process a success.

**4) Please provide a timeline for the Overall Review Process and all proposed meetings:**

We believe that the whole process needs to be completed by early 2014 at the latest, in order to be submitted to all competent bodies and governments and to feed the Prepcoms

that will be needed in 2014 to have a successful WSIS 2015. In 2013 WSIS follow up process and IGF need to start to converge their efforts.

**5) Please provide other comments, if any**

TEXT OF THE VIDEOMESSAGE published on Sept. 1 2011 into the WSIS website:

1. The European Broadcasting Union, the world's largest association of national broadcasters, strongly supports the global information society. We realize that there is a need to share the benefits of the converging world. The World Summit on the Information Society is a great platform to help build up a society of knowledge and information globally.

2. Broadcasting is an essential part of the information society. From 2015 when analogue signals would have in principle become obsolete in many countries, the world will know mostly one digital reality, that will be the convergence of broadcasting, information technology and telecommunications.

3. So global approaches are needed on spectrum, media and cultural diversity. And these rules must respect citizens' rights and promote freedom of expression, pluralism and independence.

4. We must not forget that the developing world needs both infrastructure and the capacity to develop its own content. If not, the developing countries will simply be flooded with content from countries that have a head start – sometimes of decades.

So a shared set of principles should ideally be agreed by the various stakeholders – governments, industry and civil society.

5. The broadcasting industry hopes that the third World Summit on the Information Society will prove to be the right platform. And that it will promote sustainable and equitable development of information and communication technologies as a human right in the future converging world.