WSIS Forum 2011: Open Consultations on Thematic Aspects and New Innovative Format

Submissions Received: Main Topics

1. Cybersecurity-
   a. Framework for Global Cooperation
   b. Culture of Cyber Peace
   c. Child Online Protection (COP)
   d. Threats to computers systems, networks – personal data
   e. Education to disseminate cyber security measures in line for the general public
   f. Scientific research in the prosecution of electronic crime
   g. Points of comparison between conventional warfare and cyber warfare.

2. ICT Indicators, measurement, follow up on implementation
   a. Progress made in the area of statistical indicators closely linked to policy needs of developing countries
   b. Knowledge Gap
   c. Content production

3. E Governance
   a. Mobile Applications
   b. Capacity Building

4. Digital Divide
   a. New information poverty paradigm
   b. Ownership of technology
   c. Even distribution of information

5. Country level Implementation/ Best Practices reducing digital divide-
   a. Bangladesh
   b. India
   c. UAE
   d. Oman

6. Poverty Reduction through ICTs

7. Mobile phones/technology
   a. Mobile Phone Based Applications
   b. Mobile Internet
   c. Mobile for Development
   d. M-health
8. Regulation and policy making in Communications and ICTs
9. Social Media and Networking
10. Youth-
    a. Collaboration of Youth on WSIS Issues
    b. Youth contributing in achieving MDGs through ICTs
    c. Development of Entrepreneurship in Africa
11. Linguistic Diversity
12. Women and ICTs
    a. Women researchers in the area of ICTs
13. Access:
    a. Open Access
    b. Gender
    c. Minorities
    d. People Living in villages
    e. To Internet
    f. To broadband
    g. Vulnerable people
    h. To Information – Capacity building and training
    i. ICT and persons with disabilities (visually impaired; telecentres; assistive technology, special needs children)
14. Climate Change
15. Telecentres
16. E Agriculture –
    a. Global Food Crisis
17. ICT in Education-
    a. Schools
    b. Distance learning
18. Human Rights and ICT
    a. Young Girls
    b. Freedom of expression and censorship
    c. Privacy and surveillance
19. Reviewing ICT paradigms and Policies
20. Capacity Building
21. ICT for Peace
22. Cultural Diversity
23. ICT and Road Safety
24. Digitization of Archives
25. Funding Mechanisms for the WSIS Process
26. Internet
    a. Net Neutrality
    b. Cloud Computing
c. Future of the Internet

**Format:**

1. Have Regional Level Meetings
2. Duration of the Forum
3. Enhancing remote participation
4. Possibility of having a single cross cutting themes for the forum
5. Size of Panels
6. Thematic Workshops proven to be a good format