

**WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY
WSIS STOCKTAKING PROCESS**

WSIS PROJECT PRIZES 2013



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www.wsis.org/stocktaking/prizes

WSIS Project Prizes recognize excellence in the implementation of projects and initiatives which further the goals of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) in improving connectivity to information and communication technologies (ICTs) in line with the 11 Action Lines laid out in the WSIS outcome documents. The Project Prizes respond to the requests expressed by WSIS stakeholders during the WSIS Forum 2011, to create a mechanism to evaluate and reward stakeholders for their efforts on the implementation of WSIS outcomes. The Project Prizes are an integral part of the WSIS Stocktaking Process.

His Excellency Yahya bin Salim Al Wahaibi, Sultanate of Oman:

"It is a tremendous achievement and honor for the Sultanate and reflects the success and progress that has been achieved in the field of information technology and communications."
Source: ITA Media

During 15th session of the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development, Member States reiterated the importance of sharing the best practices at the global level.

The contest of **WSIS Project Prizes 2013** will start in September opening the project submission online. The timeframe of the contest will be available soon at www.wsis.org/stocktaking/prizes.

On behalf of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Manal Al Abdwani, Director General of Planning and Follow Up at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Sultanate of Oman:

"Winning this award for the One-Stop-Shop of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry shows the project's contribution towards the growth of the national economy."
Source: ITA Media

At the WSIS Forum 2012, 18 winners of the contest WSIS Project Prizes were announced by ITU Secretary-General Dr Hamadoun Touré. The initiative of WSIS Project Prizes 2012 was appreciated by diverse stakeholders at the WSIS Forum. Stakeholders encouraged this initiative to continue in 2013 with the same open approach allowing all stakeholders to participate in this transparent contest. Stakeholders reconfirmed that WSIS Project Prizes 2012 gave an opportunity to stakeholders to share and promote their efforts in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes.

President & CEO Mr. Walid Tahabsem, Integrated Technology Group (ITG), Jordan:

"We all believe in the importance of such awards in driving the wheel of excellence towards higher achievements and better outcomes."
Source: AME Info

The award ceremony of **WSIS Project Prizes 2013** will be hosted by World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum 2013 which will take place in Geneva, Switzerland from 13 to 17 May 2013.

S.E. Sr. Diego Molano Vega, Ministro de Tecnologías de la Información y las Comunicaciones, Colombia:

"It's an honor for the Government of Colombia, especially for the Ministry of ICTs and for Computadores para Educar, to receive this award in recognition of our comprehensive strategy of bringing technology, training teachers and promoting environmental responsibility; three elements that make difference of this social program, which is aimed at contributing to poverty reduction and development"

Source: <http://www.cronicadelquindio.com>

H.E. Vujica Lazović, Minister for Information Society and Telecommunications, Montenegro:

"Winning this award is a direct recognition of the efforts that have been made in Montenegro to develop a modern information society."

Source: <http://www.kalemjournal.com>

