

# Second Meeting of the WSIS Forum 2023 Open Consultation Process and the Special WSIS Forum 2022 Chairman Session

27 January 2023, 14:00-15:00 CET



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# WSIS FORUM 2023

13-17 March 2023

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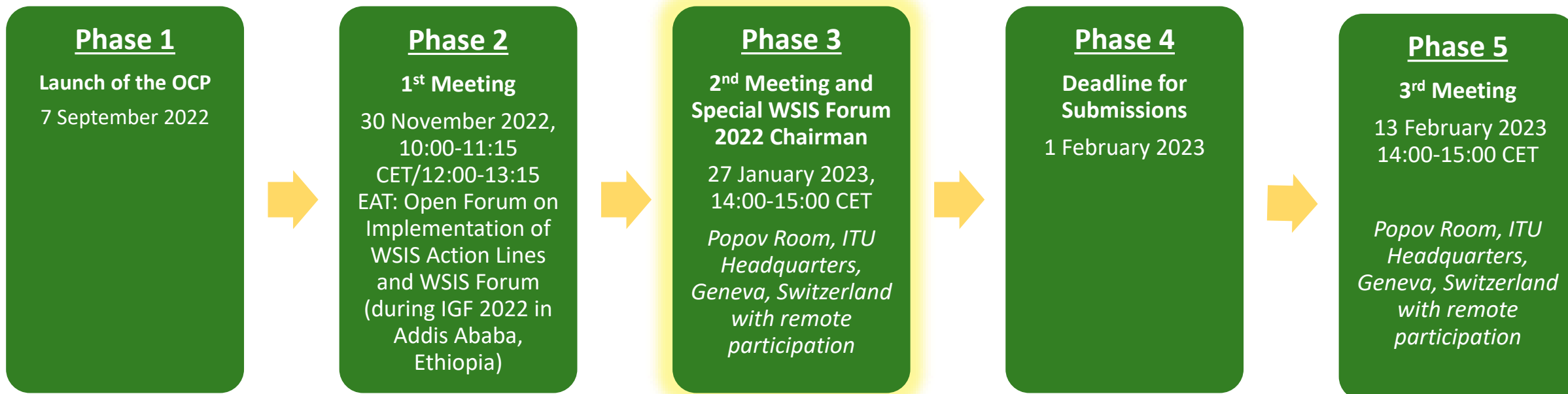
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# Open Consultation Process

The **Open Consultation process (OCP)** aims at ensuring a **participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum**. This process actively engages multistakeholders in the preparatory process to ensure broad ownership and further improvements of the Forum. The Open Consultation Process will include a collection of inputs from regional and national WSIS related events.

The Open Consultation Process for the WSIS Forum 2023 is structured in five phases as follows:





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## Shaping the Themes and Format of WSIS Forum 2023

The WSIS Forum 2023 is scheduled to be held from 13 to 17 March 2023 at the ITU Headquarters premises in Geneva, with the support of remote participation. The Agenda and Programme of the Forum will be built on the basis of the submissions received during the Open Consultation Process (OCP). The Open Consultation process aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum. This process actively engages multistakeholders in the preparatory process to ensure broad ownership and further improvements of the Forum. The Open Consultation Process will include a collection of inputs from regional and national WSIS related events.

### Calls to Action

- Open consultation process – official submissions form
- High-level track facilitator nominations
- WSIS photo contest 2023 – submission form

Official submissions to the WSIS Secretariat on the Thematic Aspects and Innovations on the Format

- 1) Login with your existing account or Sign up as a new user
- 2) Fill out the OCP Form

[www.wsis.org/forum](http://www.wsis.org/forum)

**Deadline: 1 February 2023**

## Registration Process for on-site participation

The WSIS Forum 2023 is scheduled to be held from 13–17 March 2023 at the ITU Headquarters in Geneva, with the support of remote participation. Virtual workshops will continue in April & May. The Forum is open to all WSIS stakeholders.

In order to register, please log in to the [Registration Form](#) with your ITU User Account credentials, complete and submit the registration form for accreditation.

If you don't have an ITU User Account you can create it by using the respective link below.

[Create ITU User Account](#)

[Registration Form](#)

If applicable, complete the [e-questionnaire](#) mentioned in the accreditation process below.



### Accreditation Process

Accreditation is required in order to participate on-site to ITU WSIS Forums.

**ITU Membership:** Delegates who are part of the ITU Membership (Administration Member States, Resolution 99, ITU Sector Members) can log-in with their ITU User Account/TIES; their requests will be sent for validation to the WSIS accreditation team, or their Delegate Focal Point. Further information may be requested to new delegates from an ITU Membership, if deemed necessary.

**Non-ITU Members:** Participants from organizations non-members of ITU (ex. Civil society, NGOs, Private sector that are not part of the ITU Membership, etc.) will be prompted to fill out the [e-questionnaire](#) for accreditation, accessible [here](#) or during the registration process once the registration form has been submitted.

Accreditation requests should be submitted as soon as possible and no later than 21 February 2023 so as to ensure timely administrative processing of the requests. Please note that the ITU reserves the right to request further documents to each participant if it deems necessary.

[See full accreditation procedure »](#)

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# Registration OPEN!

- On-site Registration to the WSIS Forum 2023 is available online at the following link:

[Registration | WSIS Forum 2023 \(itu.int\)](https://itu.int/Registration)

- Virtual Registration will be made available soon.





# WSIS Forum 2023 Venue



**13 - 17 March 2023**

- CICG - The International Conference Center Geneva

**April - May 2023**

- Virtual Workshops



# High-Level Track (14-15 March 2023)

**More than 50 High-Level speaking slot requests received to date, including 25 Ministers and Deputies and 18 Regulators.**

- High-level Policy Sessions
- Ministerial Round Table
- High-level Dialogues
- Ambassadors Briefing
- High-Level Meeting with Parliamentarians
- High-Level Meetings with Mayors



**Deadline for submitting the High-Level Speaking Slot request: 31 January 2023**

**Briefing sessions with the focal points will be organized in mid-February.**

**Interpretation: provided for French and Arabic.**

**Contact us for sponsorship opportunities for Chinese, Spanish, and Russian.**

<https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2023/HighLevel>



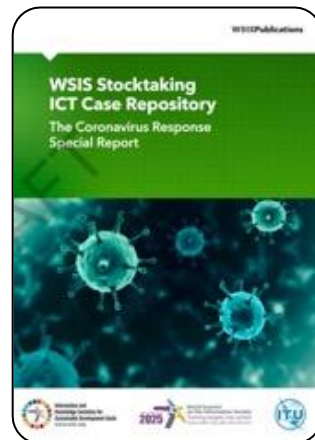


# WSIS Stocktaking: 2022-2023 Call for New Entries

Publicly accessible WSIS Stocktaking database [www.wsis.org/stocktaking](http://www.wsis.org/stocktaking) currently with 15,000+ submitted projects and initiatives from 350,000+ registered stakeholders has been vigilant and started collecting projects and activities on how ICTs are assisting stakeholders in their everyday life, work, and combating challenges caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

UN General Assembly called for a close alignment between the WSIS process and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: WSIS Stocktaking is highlighting the contribution of 11 WSIS Action Lines to the achievement 17 SDGs.

ECOSOC resolution 2022/15 reiterates the importance of sharing best practices at the global level and encourages all stakeholders to submit ICT-related projects and initiatives to the WSIS Stocktaking platform.



**NEW Call for Submission:**  
[www.wsis.org/stocktaking](http://www.wsis.org/stocktaking)



# WSIS Prizes 2023

- More than **900** submissions received to the WSIS Prizes 2023
- **18** winning projects and **72** champion projects will be awarded during the WSIS Forum 2023 (13-17 March 2023)





# WSIS Forum 2023: Special Prizes



**WSIS Healthy Ageing Innovation Prize: Third Edition**  
**Deadline: 5 February 2023**



**WSIS Digital Service Design Prize 2023**  
**Deadline: 27 January 2023**







# Call to Action: WSIS Photo Contest 2023

Following the successful of previous Photo Contests editions, WSIS Forum continues to exercise the Photo Contest in 2023 and invites the community to picture how Information and Communication Technologies are playing an enabling role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

**Participate in building a collage of ICT for Sustainable Development photographs from around the world by promoting the Photo Contest within your networks and communities.** The three winning entries in the WSIS photo contest will be awarded and presented at the WSIS Forum 2023.

**Deadline: 1 February 2023**





# WSIS Forum 2023 Hackathon

## Hackathon — Digital GovHack

### *Advancing the Digital Economy by Leveraging Emerging Technologies*

ITU, Digital Government Authority (DGA) of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and relevant stakeholders are jointly organizing a WSIS Forum 2023 Hackathon on DigitalGov Hack: Advancing the Digital Economy by leveraging Emerging Technologies.

#### Objectives and Themes

- Harnessing the potential of emerging digital technologies to drive economic growth, and improve the lives of people by developing solutions that are innovative and easily replicable
- **4 Themes include:** Immersive Public Services, Empowering Young Talent, Productivity in Public Workspace, Financial Sustainability

#### Prizes

- 4 winners, one per theme will win each 5000 \$ cash prize
- Have access to up to 6 months of mentoring from international experts on GovTech

#### Award Ceremony

Winners will be announced and awarded in the LEAP event in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia scheduled from 6 to 9 February 2023.







# WSIS Forum 2023 : Special Tracks



**ICTs and Youth**



**ICTs and Gender Mainstreaming**



**ICTs and Emerging Technologies for sustainable development and ICTs for Industry 4.0**



**ICTs for Well-being and Happiness**



**ICTs and Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities and Specific Needs**



**ICTs and Older Persons**



**Cybersecurity**



**ICTs and Indigenous Peoples and Cultures**



**ICTs for Developing Countries (and LDCs)**



**ICTs and Clean Technologies for Climate Change**



**Digital Citizenship and Public Services**

**NEW!**

**NEW!**





# WSIS Gender Trendsetters



## MEET THE WSIS GENDER TRENDSETTERS!



**Mr. Vala Afshar**  
Chief Digital Evangelist, Salesforce



**Ms. Susana Arrechea**  
Digital Community Center Project Director, New Sun Road for-profit public benefit company



**Ms. Elena Estavillo Flores**  
CEO, Centro-i para la Sociedad del Futuro Think Tank



**Ms. Mei Lin Fung**  
Chair and Cofounder, People Centered Internet



**Ms. Gab-Hingonne Gabdibe**  
National Coord. Action pour l'Education & la Promotion de la Femme, TCHAD



**Ms. Mikaela Jade**  
CEO and Founder, Indigital EduTech



**Ms. Kirthi Jayakumar**  
Coder and Creator at Saahas



**Dr. Tawfik Jelassi**  
Assistant Director-General, UNESCO



**Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin**  
Secretary-General, International Telecommunication Union



**Ms. Tatyana Kanzaveli**  
Founder and CEO, Open Health Network



**H.E. Ms. Lotte Knudsen**  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, European Union



**Ms. Fang Li**  
Deputy Director Research Institute of Technology and Standard, CAICT



**Mr. Benoit Louvel**  
Service Design Front Office Director, Customer Service & Operations, Orange Business Services



**Hon. Neema Lugangira**  
Member of Parliament of Tanzania & Founder of NGO, Omuka Hub



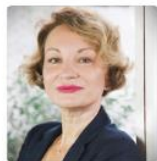
**Ms. Samantha Paoletti**  
Research and Business Dev. Manager CSEM



**Ms. Ari Qayumi**  
Founder and CEO, Mindful Venture Capital



**Ms. Yvette Ramos**  
President, WomenVai



**Ms. Natalja Rodionova**  
Founder, Sisters of Code & IT Academy STEP Cambodia



**Ms. Magatte Wade**  
Entrepreneur, Magatte Wade



**Ms. Vidhya Y.**  
Cofounder and Trustee, Vision Empower



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# Engage, Empower, Participate!

**Generation Connect** is the overarching initiative of the ITU Youth Strategy. The 3 pillars of the ITU Youth Strategy are Engage, Empower and Participate.

**Generation Connect** aims to engage global youth and encourage their participation as equal partners alongside the leaders of today's digital change, empowering young people with the skills and opportunities to advance their vision of a connected future.

**ITU Member States have mandated** the digital engagement and empowerment of young people through Generation Connect - resolutions 76 (WTDC Kigali, 2022) and 198 (PP Bucharest, 2022).

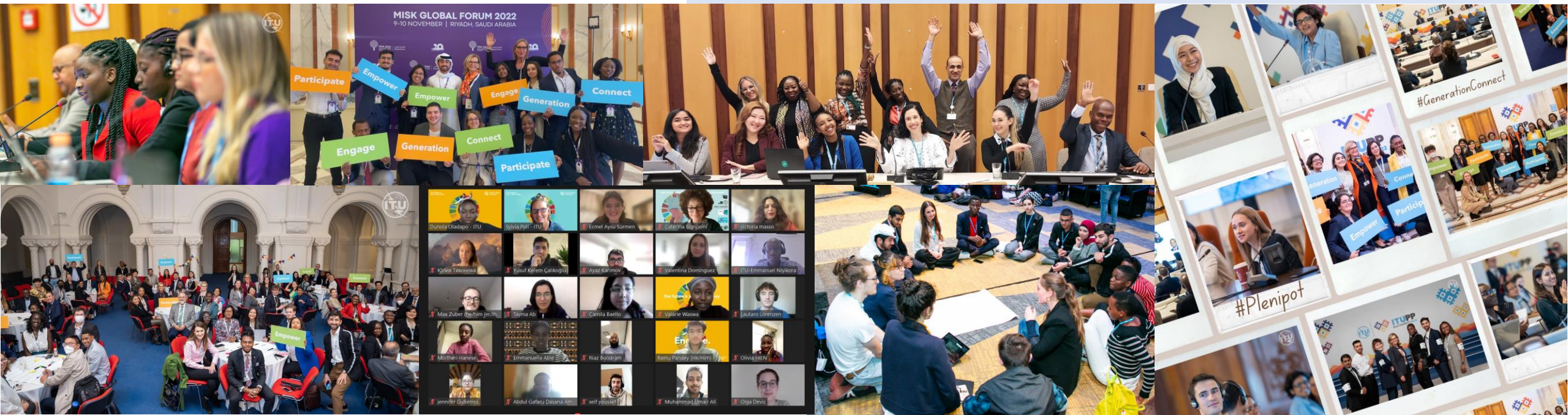
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- ✓ **180** Generation Connect Youth Envoys in **120** Countries
- ✓ **17** Generation Connect Visionaries Board Members
- ✓ **2800** youth in our virtual community

## Key Global Initiatives

- ITU Youth Task force
- Generation Connect Digital Learning Certificate
- Generation Connect Podcast
- Virtual and physical contribution to key youth engagement platforms: ECOSOC Youth Forum, World Food Forum, YOUNGA, IGF, MISK Global Forum, LDC5 Youth Track, Kofi Annan Changemakers
- Youth participation and engagement in ITU Events: PP, TDAG, Study Groups, etc
- YOUTH 2030 collaboration with the UN Youth Envoys' Office, UNESCO, and other UN partners on youth digital engagement initiatives and reports.



# Alignment with other UN processes



## SIDE EVENT

**WSIS Cooperation for Accelerating  
Progress on the SDGs**

**ECOSOC Partnership Forum 2023**

31 January 2023,  
14:30-15:45 PM CET, Virtual

[More Info](#)

## SIDE EVENT

**Information and Communication Technologies  
(ICTs) and Older Persons: Healthy Ageing in a  
Digital World**

**61st Session of the Commission for Social  
Development (CSocD61)**

9 February 2023, 15:45-17:00 PM CET  
Virtual

[More Info](#)

## SIDE EVENT

**Side Event - CSocD61: Information and  
Communication Technologies (ICTs), Innovation  
and Accessibility: Towards Building Inclusive  
Communities**

**61st Session of the Commission for Social  
Development (CSocD61)**

10 February 2023, 15:45-17:00 PM CET  
Virtual

[More Info](#)

## SIDE EVENT

**WSIS Action Lines and ICTs for  
building back better and accelerating  
the achievement of the SDGs in LDCs**

**5th United Nations Conference on the  
Least Developed Countries (LDC5)**

5/8 March 2023,  
Exhibition Hall 2, Doha, Qatar

## SIDE EVENT

**WSIS Gender Trendsetters: ICTs for  
Gender Inclusion**

**67th Commission on the Status of  
Women**

16 March 2023, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
New York time /17:30 - 18:45 PM, CET





# WSIS+20: Review and WSIS Beyond 2025

**Report of the UNESCO Director-General on the implementation of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) outcomes, 15 October 2021;** *elaborates UNESCO's roadmap towards the WSIS+20 review*

**World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20: WSIS Beyond 2025: WSIS+20 Roadmap;** *elaborates the ITU Secretary-General's roadmap on the role of ITU in the WSIS+20 Review process and its preparations*

## **WSIS Forum 2022: Multistakeholder Dialogues and discussions**

- *Knowledge Café: WSIS+20, 30 May 2022*
- *High-Level Strategic Dialogue: WSIS+20: Multistakeholder Digital Cooperation for Global Development (WSIS Action Lines to achieve the SDGs), 31 May 2022*
- *High-Level Dialogue: WSIS+20 – WSIS Beyond 2025, 2 June 2022*

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- *High-Level Dialogue: WSIS+20 – WSIS Beyond 2025*

**WSIS Forum 2024:** WSIS+20 Forum High-level Event celebrating the achievements of the WSIS Process and identifying the opportunities and challenges in implementing the WSIS Action Lines.

## **WSIS+20 Stocktaking Report**

## **CSTD Report on the implementation of WSIS**

## **WSIS Action Lines advancing the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals**



# Reminder of Open Calls



## Open Consultation Process

Request workshops/exhibition space/speakers and provide inputs on the format and themes

**Deadline:**  
**1 February 2023**



## WSIS Photo Contest 2023

Submit your photo that shows how ICTs are playing an enabling role in achieving the SDGs

**Deadline:**  
**1 February 2023**



## High-Level Track Facilitators (HLTF)

Nominate your representative for the HLTF

**Deadline:**  
**1 February 2023**



# WSIS Forum 2023 Fund in Trust

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The Action Line C7 – ELearning of the **#WSIS** Process promotes the contribution of ICTs in achieving universal education worldwide.  
Meet the **#WSIS** Prizes 2021 winner.... Voir plus

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Don't lose the chance to shape the agenda and format of the **#WSIS** Forum 2022!  
Join us for the Second Virtual Meeting of the Open Consultation Process at: [itu.zoom.us/webinar/regist...](https://tu.zoom.us/webinar/regist...)  
When? 31 January at 02:00 PM CET  
**#ICT4SDG #contribute #submit**

**WSIS FORUM 2022**  
**JOIN US AND CONTRIBUTE IN SHAPING THE AGENDA AND FORMAT OF THE FORUM**  
**OPEN CONSULTATION PROCESS SECOND VIRTUAL MEETING**  
**SUBMIT 31 JANUARY 2022**

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ICTs and Sports  
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WSIS+15

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**WSIS FORUM 2020**  
6-9 April, Geneva

The WSIS Forum agenda and programme are completely crowdsourced through the Open Consultation Process (OCP). The process aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum through the engagement of all stakeholders in the preparatory process. The Open Consultation Process is structured in six phases and will include a collection of inputs.

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