Draft "Food for Thought" for the informal consultations on Internet Governance
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Please note that this document has been prepared in order to promote discussion during the informal consultations meeting. It has no status within the PrepCom process. This paper/approach will be refined in the light of the informal consultations on September 6.

Part 1: Possible structure and inputs for Chapter three of the Operational Part of the Tunis Final Document(s) on Internet Governance

Theme	Possible content *(and questions for discussion)*	Possible Sources of input
Part 1: Introduction		
Mandate of the WGIG	Brief description of the mandate given to the WGIG, and the completion of its work.	WSIS Declaration of Principles, para 48-50 WSIS Plan of Action, para 13b WGIG report, para 1-5 Compilation (DT/7)
"Geneva principles" for the international management of the Internet	Brief reiteration of the "Geneva principles" as contained in the Declaration of Principles (e.g., multilateral, transparent and democratic with full involvement of stakeholders).	WSIS Declaration of Principles, para 48-50 WGIG report, para 6-7 Compilation (DT/7)
Security and stability of the Internet	The security, stability and continuity of the Internet as a guiding principle.	WGIG report, para 6 Compilation (DT/7)
Part 2: Working Definition		
Working definition of Internet Governance	*Is the working definition proposed in the WGIG report adequate?*	WGIG report, para 8-12 Compilation (DT/7)
Part 3: Stakeholders		
Roles and responsibilities of stakeholders	*How can we make the process inclusive and participatory? How can we ensure effective stakeholder participation in Internet Governance? What specific roles should be assigned to the different stakeholders?*	WGIG report, para 29-34 Compilation (DT/7) cf. Also text in section C1 of the Declaration and Plan of Action
Coordination	*What specific actions may be recommended to reinforce coordination? What changes might be recommended?*	WGIG report, para 72-73 cf. Also text in section C11 of the Declaration and Plan of Action

Part 4: Identifying public policy issues relevant to Internet Governance

a) Issues relating to infrastructure and management of critical Internet resources

Administration of the root zone files and root server system	*What are the institutional arrangements needed to guarantee continuity of a stable and secure functioning of the root system of the DNS?*	WGIG Report para 15 and 76 Compilation (DT/7)
IP addressing	*How best to ensure that allocation policies for IP addresses provide equitable access to resources in the transition to Ipv6?*	WGIG report para 22 and 77 Compilation (DT/7)
Allocation of domain names (gTLDs and ccTLDs)	*How best to develop policies for the management and development of the domain name space?*	WGIG report para 21 Compilation (DT/7)
Possible governance/oversight function	*What should be the relationship between governments and ICANN? What measures for reform and renewal may be recommended by WSIS? Proposed timeline. Proposed forum for discussion, implementation.*	WGIG report, paras 1, 48-71, and Compilation (DT/7)

(b): Issues related to the use of the Internet

Internet stability, security and cybercrime	*What specific actions may be recommended to reinforce existing measures for Internet stability and security and to combat cybercrime? What are the conceptual and institutional deficits that need to be addressed? What changes might be recommended?*	WGIG report, paras 17 and79 Compilation (DT/7) Thematic Meeting on Cybersecurity, 28 June-1 July 2005
Spam	*In countering spam, what specific actions may be recommended, by implementing existing measures and/or formulating new ones?*	WGIG report, paras 18 and 80 Compilation (DT/7) WSIS Thematic Meeting on Spam, July 2004
Freedom of expression	*How best to ensure freedom of expression?*	WGIG report, paras 24 and 81. Compilation (DT/7). WSIS Thematic Meeting on freedom of expression in cyberspace (Feb 2005) cf. references to this issue in the WSIS Declaration of Principles.
Data protection and privacy rights	*How best to promote measures and to protect citizens against the misuse of personal data?*	WGIG report para 25 and 83
Consumer rights	*How best to promote measures to protect consumers in cross-border transactions?*	WGIG report, paras 26 and 84. Compilation (DT/7).
IPRs	*How best to apply intellectual property rights to cyberspace in order to ensure a balance between the rights of holders and the rights of users?*	WGIG report, paras 23. Compilation (DT/7).

Part 5: Measures to promote development		
Interconnection costs	*What measures might be recommended for bringing down Interconnection costs?*	WGIG report, paras 16 and 78 Compilation (DT/7) cf. reference to this issue in chap 2 (para 37c)
Capacity-building and meaningful participation in global policy development	*What are the national, regional and international responsibilities with regard to capacity-building? How might it be possible to ensure meaningful participation in decision-making, including in the proposed "Forum"?*	WGIG report, paras 20 and 74. Compilation (DT/7) WSIS Thematic Meeting on capacity-building (May 2005)
Multilingualism	*What specific actions may be necessary to promote multilingualism on the Internet? Do we need a roadmap?*	WGIG report, paras 27 and 85. Compilation (DT/7) WSIS Thematic Meetings, including on multilingualism (May 2005)
Enabling environment	*What are the characteristics of an enabling environment with regard to Internet Governance? Who does what in that regard? National, Regional and international responsibilities.*	WGIG Report para 72 Compilation (DT/7) WSIS Declaration of Principles and Plan of Action, section C6.
Part 6: Forum		
"Forum"	*Should WSIS recommend the creation of a multi-stakeholder "Forum"? Would it be attached to the UN or be independent? What should be the mandate of the "Forum"? How would it be financed? How would it be constituted (rules of procedure,* *organizational structure, etc)?*	WGIG report, paras 40-47 and 74. Compilation (DT/7)

Part 2: Proposals for working methods of Sub-Committee A

- In line with the WSIS Bureau proposals on time management, Sub-Committee A would have nine meetings of three hours duration (27 hours in total), occupying one half-day of each of the first nine working days of PrepCom-3.

- In line with past practice, observers (business entities, civil society and international organizations) would be accorded a certain time (e.g., initially 15 minutes each and later 5 minutes each per session) for making contributions relevant to the topics under discussion during that session. Unless otherwise decided, observers may be present throughout the work of the Sub-Committee

- Small drafting groups may be created by the chair, as and when required.

- In the compilation document of comments on the WGIG report (DT/7) government comments would be recorded first followed by observer comments (in alphabetical order) on each item.

- During the work of Sub-Committee A, further compilation documents, based on written comments submitted by delegations and observers, would be prepared, along similar lines to DT/7.