

## Session Outcome Document

### Summary of Session: Leveraging the power of sports for children's online safety

ITU, Child Online Protection

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#### Key Issues discussed (5- 8 bullet points)

- Risks and potential harm for children online
- International and national efforts to protect and empower children online
- Safeguarding challenges in sports building a continuum between the online and offline environment
- Opportunities of sports for children's rights and wellbeing
- How to leverage on the outreach and impact of sports on children's lives for increased online safety awareness and digital skills development
- Concrete actions being taken to combine both realms

#### Towards WSIS+20 and WSIS beyond 2025, please share your views on the emerging trends, challenges, achievements, and opportunities in the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines to date (5-8 bullets)

- Despite the many efforts on child online protection, these are often happening in silos and not enough opportunities to reach children, including those living in rural areas, without leaving no child behind.
- Sports can be an important channel for social change and the opportunities are numerous to increase safety and rights education for children in sports.
- ICTs and Sports as cross-sectoral approach bear many opportunities for the realization of the SDGs and I believe it should be further explored and remain an integral part of WSIS+20 and beyond 2025.

#### Tangible outcomes (such as key achievements, announcements, launches, agreements, and commitments (3-5 bullet points)

- ITU Policy Brief on Child Online Protection in Sports
- FiFa safeguarding trainings include online risks and harm for children.
- Agreement to collaborate further under the ITU COP in Sports initiative