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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Distinguished colleagues again here from New York. Ladies and gentlemen, it is a pleasure to warmly welcome you to the stakeholder consultation

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: also on behalf of his Excellency Mr. Kitela Locale, permanent representative of Kenya, and my fellow co-facilitator for the Wisi's class 20 Review the General Assembly's process to assess the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: We will begin this session today with welcoming remarks from the office of the President of General Assembly, which is convening these 2 days of informal interactive consultations. I have the pleasure now to give the floor to Mr. Yvo Fung, chef of Cabinet, of the President of the UN General Assembly. Mr. Fung, you have the floor.

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Ivor Fung: Thank you very much, Miss Moderator.

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Ivor Fung: Excellencies distinguish participants from tech communities.

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Ivor Fung: non-governmental organizations, the private sector and other stakeholders.

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Ivor Fung: This year we reflect on progress made over 20 years since the Landmark World Summit on the Information Society.

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Ivor Fung: Their participation in today's stakeholder consultation is critical and deeply appreciated.

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Ivor Fung: The insights, experiences and expertise you bring are central to ensuring. This review is inclusive.

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Ivor Fung: and that leads to an equitable, transparent, and fair digital future. For all.

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Ivor Fung: As you know our deadlines for the 2030 agenda for sustainable development are fast approaching.

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Ivor Fung: and the urgency to bridge the digital divide has never been greater.

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Ivor Fung: Digital technologies when harnessed equitably and responsibly.

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Ivor Fung: can be powerful accelerators of sustainable development

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Ivor Fung: from education and health care to agriculture on climate action.

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Ivor Fung: they are already transforming how we deliver services, share knowledge and uplift communities.

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Ivor Fung: Yet billions of our fellow citizens still lack access

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Ivor Fung: to the tools and skills they need to participate in the digital age.

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Ivor Fung: This is not only a technology gap, it is a development gap.

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Ivor Fung: It is a gender gap, a generational gap, and often a geographical gap.

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Ivor Fung: Fortunately we have strong found stations on which to build a more just global information society.

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Ivor Fung: The recent Global Digital Compact adopted as part of the pact for the future, is another solid framework for improving digital cooperation

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Ivor Fung: and closing the digital divide.

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Ivor Fung: It calls on governments and stakeholders

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Ivor Fung: to forge partnerships to realize the vision of the World Summit on the Information Society.

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Ivor Fung: a vision of a people-centered, inclusive and Development Oriented Information Society.

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Ivor Fung: I thank the co-facilitators, the permanent representatives of Albania and Kenya for chairing today's important consultations.

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Ivor Fung: I reaffirm my commitment to ensuring this review process is inclusive and transparent.

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Ivor Fung: On behalf of the President of the General Assembly.

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Ivor Fung: I urge all stakeholders to actively participate in today's consultation, and engage meaningfully in shaping the future. We envision.

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Ivor Fung: I wish you productive deliberations and look forward to your invaluable insights.

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Ivor Fung: Thank you, madam Moderator.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you very much. Chef de cabin, for this important and inspiring remarks. Distinguished colleagues as co-facilitators. We look forward to listening closely to you and to your contributions today, which will help shape a forward-looking and inclusive Vcs. Plus 20 outcome

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: as outlined in the concept. Note, this consultation is part of a two-day series to gather the perspective of all stakeholders.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Today's focus is primarily on participants from the Asia Pacific and the Americas.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Tomorrow we'll continue with interventions from UN agencies and stakeholders, especially from Europe and Africa.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Your insights will inform the element papers which will serve as the basis for preparing the 0 draft in August, and ultimately the outcome document for the High Level General Assembly meeting in December. We also wish to thank the Member States participating in these consultations for their commitment to listen to and engaging with stakeholders in this process.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: following the 1st preparatory meeting and stock taking session on 30th of May, Member States reaffirmed the Oec's vision as a foundation for inclusive digital development, emphasizing the role of icts in achieving the Sdgs bridging digital divides and ensuring alignment with the global digital Compact.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: The importance of reinforcing the Internet governance Forum Igf and promoting ethical digital governance was also underscored. A full summary of that session is available on the Secretariat's website

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: last week. We also had the opportunity to participate in the Unesco Conference on capacity building on AI and Digital transformation in the public sector. We heard strong calls for governance models that are agile, inclusive, and responsive to emerging technologies like AI and neurotechnology while staying firmly rooted in human rights and multi-stakeholder values

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: today marks the 1st dedicated stakeholder consultation for the wisers plus 20 process. Your contributions are not only welcome, they are essential. Before we begin. Let me briefly remind you the guiding questions circulated in the concept. Note

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: first, st to what extent and how has the vision of a people-centered, inclusive, and development. Oriented Information society evolved over the past 20 years.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Second, what are the key priorities and challenges to implementation of Wisi's outcomes today? And the 3rd question, how can cooperation through Wisi's mechanisms, together with the global digital compact, enhance coherence and inclusivity in digital governance before we open the floor? I will now invite the secretary to share a few housekeeping announcements.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Secretary, if you have the floor, Dennis, please, you can go. Yeah, thank you. Thank you, Ambassador.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Each. Each speaker will have a maximum of 3Â min and your microphone will be controlled by the Secretariat to ensure a smooth process.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: and a timer will also appear on the screen to help manage your time.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: We we hope that you would respect the time limits to allow all participants a chance to speak. Some are joining from late time zones.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: and also, if your name is not on the speakers list, and time permitted chance, you may raise your hand to request a floor.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: and all written statements are welcome and can be sent to

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Unga. This is review@this.org. We will put this email address in the in the chat.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you. Thank you, Dennis, for this clarification. I would like now to start with the 1st speaker I invite. Now, Mr. Vince Cerf, chair of the Internet Governance Forum leadership panel to take the floor.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Mr. Cerf, you have the floor.

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Vinton Cerf: Thank you so much, madam Moderator, and let me thank you and all attendees on behalf of the leadership panel and the multi-stakeholder Advisory group.

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Vinton Cerf: We're very grateful for this opportunity to speak. And we bring warm wishes to all of the Member States and participants in this consultation.

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Vinton Cerf: The the Internet and digital technology have become core components of daily life and work.

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Vinton Cerf: Nothing illustrates this more strongly than the rapid spread of smartphones, laptops, cloud computing and the Internet.

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Vinton Cerf: The Wiss members saw this coming 20 years ago.

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Vinton Cerf: At this point

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Vinton Cerf: the leadership panel has a few observations that we would like to offer first, st the Igf, a product of wiss should be renewed for at least a decade, if not permanently.

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Vinton Cerf: it should become a unique and funded and multi-stakeholder component of the UN system.

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Vinton Cerf: The Igf can and should focus on intersessional work and collaboration through the existing Nris and other like-minded organizations. The leadership panel is eager to work with the Mag and the Nris, the national and regional Igfs. To help evaluate the implementation of the global digital compact.

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Vinton Cerf: we must continue to work hard to achieve meaningful access to the Internet for everyone.

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Vinton Cerf: The Igf should work together with the Member States, the Mag, the Nri, to improve the utility of digital technology for the world's citizens. We look forward especially to applying the unesco Romex metrics to assess how well we are doing in making the Internet and digital technologies worthy of the time and effort put into it.

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Vinton Cerf: Thank you very much for the time.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you very much, Mr. Sir, for your contribution. I would like now to invite

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Royce Chen from Asia Pacific Network Information Center, please. You have the floor.

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Joyce Chen: Good morning chair. Co-facilitators all. Thank you for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the Asia

Pacific Network Information Center or Apnic. The regional Internet registry serving 56 economies in the Asia Pacific region. As an Rir. We are part of the Internet infrastructure, delivering on our core mission the distribution and responsible management of Internet number resources, and to support for the open stable, secure and resilient operation of the Internet in our region.

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Joyce Chen: As we take stock of the Whiss outcomes the Internet technical community, including Apnic and our pure Rirs Icann and the Ietf has played an essential role in realizing the connectivity and capacity building goals of the whissection lines.

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Joyce Chen: We have worked tirelessly to support Internet infrastructure, development, strengthen Internet governance capacity and build trusted multi-stakeholder partnerships across governments, the private sector, civil society and academia. In April 2025, our Apenic labs recorded Ipv. 6, capability exceeding 50% in our region. It took 25 years for Asia Pacific's Internet Operations community

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Joyce Chen: to achieve this significant milestone. This milestone reflects the Internet's growth in our region. And we at Apenic have ensured that the allocation of numbering resources has kept pace with this growth.

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Joyce Chen: Our community, the technical community has worked to deploy resource, public key infrastructure or Rпки, a public key infrastructure framework designed to secure the Internet's routing infrastructure apinic functions as a critical trust anchor which acts as the roots of trust, providing the foundational level of verification for digitally signed certificates and validating the authenticity of IP addresses and autonomous system numbers, or what we know As Asns.

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Joyce Chen: an updated wizards framework is critical for the continued functioning of the Internet. We recommend a few areas for consideration. First, st clearer definition of digital governance and cooperation.

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Joyce Chen: There is complementarity between the Gdc. And Wisis, whereby each leverage their strengths and not duplicate processes, second, strengthening the role of the Igf, including sustainable resourcing for its effective functioning.

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Joyce Chen: The Igf's multi-stakeholder and bottom-up agenda setting process have been a key in line with the definition of multi-stakeholder Internet governance. And should continue, we are fully supportive of the Igf. National and regional initiatives, or Nris, such as the Asia Pacific Regional Igf. Which provide invaluable and practical spaces for dialogue amongst local and regional communities 3rd for greater accountability, the Wisi's plus 20 review process

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Joyce Chen: should remain open and inclusive for all stakeholders to engage and contribute the Sao Paulo multi-stakeholder Guidelines is a useful reference in this regard. 4, th continued recognition of the Internet technical community as a distinct stakeholder group in the foundational functioning of the Internet Internet organizations and their communities, such as Icann, the Ietf and Rirs collaborate as part of the multi-stakeholder community of Internet governance. To ensure that the Internet works seamlessly. Thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Miss Chen, for your contribution. I would like now to invite.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: I'm Rita Chodhur from Cyber Cafe Association of India.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: You have the floor.

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Amrita Choudhury: Thank you so much, and hope I am audible to everyone.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yes, we can hear you.

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Amrita Choudhury: Excellencies and facilitators and attendees greetings from India. Thank you for this opportunity, and my comments are based on the inputs we received from a stakeholder consultation we had organized in India.

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Amrita Choudhury: The Whis process has significantly advanced global digital inclusion and contributed to bridging the digital divides and the wisis process. And forums, like the Igf, have played a critical role in advancing these efforts and have established structures of accountability, facilitated international cooperation in truly multi-stakeholder bottom-up model where developing countries can actively participate in equitable manner and support tangible process in progress, in digital inclusion.

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Amrita Choudhury: Needless to say, much more needs to be done, and the vsis, 20 review marks a pivotal moment in

global digital governance, offering an opportunity to recalibrate global commitments, strengthen multi-stakeholder cooperation and reinforce visis as a cornerstone of inclusive rights-based digital development.

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Amrita Choudhury: This is a crucial time to ensure that emerging economies and developing countries get to play a decisive role in shaping the future of digital governance norms.

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Amrita Choudhury: The visis mandate needs to be renewed with a broader scope in order to adapt to address evolving challenges while uploading the foundational values of inclusion, equity, and multi-stakeholder collaboration. This includes expanding its scope to cover emerging technologies and present day concerns. While promoting inclusive and accessible digital systems. The Igf needs to be renewed with a permanent mandate and stable funding

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Amrita Choudhury: to enhance an effectiveness and coherence of global digital governance. Greater efforts should be made to reduce duplication across initiatives and create stronger linkages between existing processes, such as the wisis, the Igf and the emerging frameworks, like the Gdc.

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Amrita Choudhury: Establishing structured coordination among these platforms can improve efficiency, optimize stakeholder participation, and ensure the shared goals, such as equity, inclusion, and accountability, are pursued in a complementary manner. Also, there is a need to promote inclusive and accessible digital systems.

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Amrita Choudhury: promote equitable digital governance and rice-based frameworks, promote equitable development for digital empowerment of the marginalized address challenges posed by emerging technology, address, climate change and sustainability and integrate climate justice principles into digital policy

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Amrita Choudhury: and ensure the Internet remains open, secure, interoperable, and globally accessible. We will be submitting our comments. But thank you so much for giving us the opportunity. Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you very much, Missouri, for your comments. I would like now to invite Miss Adriana Labardini from Ricomatica to take the floor.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: Thank you very much. And on behalf of prizomatica, thank you for listening to us. In

2,003 the Geneva Declaration committed to transforming the digital divide into a digital opportunity for all, especially for those at risk of exclusion. To achieve this with section line 2 recognized that ICT infrastructure was the foundation of this vision.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: In 2,005 the Tunis agenda affirmed these commitments and build on them by focusing on financial mechanisms for bridging the digital divide. But let's be clear. That focus was deliberately vague.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: It masked a broader reluctance from many governments to commit to a concrete actionable financing instruments. As a result, the telecom sector has since been driven largely by for-profit commercial operators, thus excluding areas and communities that are not profitable. This misalignment has left the regional with vision of an inclusive, people-centered Information Society largely unrealized.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: Yes, market-driven models have expanded coverage in many cities, but 2 decades after the Geneva Declaration billions of people remain offline. This digital divide is deepening social economic inequality.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: Truth is.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: we need new thinking. The wizards review must champion innovative financing strategies beyond those focused on maximizing shareholders profits. The Tunis agenda already recommended accelerating domestic financial instruments by supporting initiatives based on local communities. Yet these recommendations have remained unimplemented and overlooked. Today a paradigm shift is urgent.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: We must combine innovative financing with enabling regulation to support community-centered connectivity initiatives, just like the global digital compact committed to to support this transformation, we call on the Wiss co-facilitators to reflect the following in the elements, paper.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: first, st acknowledge that digital inequality is worsening. Second, recognize that meeting. This challenge requires tangible commitments from Member States, and stakeholders, too.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: 1st diversify the access ecosystem beyond for profit models remove regulatory

barriers, enable access to unused spectrum through sharing

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: frameworks.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: make backbone networks more available and affordable for local networks, raise awareness and build capacity around these models, especially among regulators and policymakers, and finally develop, fit for purpose, financial instruments for local networks that blend public finance like Usfs, private financing from social investors and philanthropy.

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Adriana Labardini-Rhizomatica: This is our last chance to deliver on the promise made for 20 years ago in Geneva. We cannot afford to waste it. Thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you very much. Ms. Labardini. Now I'd like to invite Ms. Carolina Gutu from the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development of Uganda.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Ms. Agoti, are you online.

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Caroline Aguti: Thank you, madam facilitator.

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Caroline Aguti: Can you hear me?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yes, we hear you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: You can continue.

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Caroline Aguti: Facilitate.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Can you, please? Turn on your camera, please. We don't see you. We hear you, but we don't see you. If you can open

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: turn on your camera.

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Caroline Aguti: I am not sure I can turn on my camera. Can I just proceed.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yeah, you can. You can proceed. Please go on.

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Caroline Aguti: Yes, Uganda, thank you, madam. Facilitator. Uganda recognizes the Osc's framework as a cornerstone for inclusive, and ICT driven sustainable development, and Uganda recognizes that Oss framework

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Caroline Aguti: is very important for sustainable development.

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Caroline Aguti: Progress has been made in various sectors, including victimization of the energy and extractives industry

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Caroline Aguti: with deployment of digital systems. But gaps still exist that have to be enhanced to deliver sustainable digitalization and improved service delivery

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Caroline Aguti: key priorities for Sc's implementation are increasing energy access.

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Caroline Aguti: improving breed reliability, increasing local manufacturing in the low income countries, sustainable extraction of critical minerals.

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Caroline Aguti: deployment of data centers and sustainable waste management across the value chain the key challenges that are faced are limited access and affordability, digital literacy gaps, limited infrastructure, uncoordinated ICT initiatives, funding constraints.

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Caroline Aguti: limited integration and moral degradation.

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Caroline Aguti: And we definitely need to focus on the aspects to on looking at technology and regulatory awareness, the need for inclusive digital society, the targeted programs to ensure access to affordable accessible digital systems which are culturally relevant to content the need for stakeholder engagement and accountability.

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Caroline Aguti: And they need to ensure that we have stable power supply and deployment of the critical minerals. Thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Ms. Ago, for your contribution. I would like now to invite Peixi Zhu from Communication University of China.

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Peixi Xu-Communication Uni. of China: Can we.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: We don't hear you. Can you please try to connect with rice?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: No issues?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: I I think we have a problem with the connection. Maybe we can continue with another speaker. And

if you can try a little bit later, we can accommodate you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Okay, then, I would like to invite Dr. Nazar Kirama from the Internet Society of Tanzania.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Dr. Kirama, are you online?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: It's also very good.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: And okay. I think we have also some

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: problem being connected with Dr. Kirama. I would like to invite Yasmin Ko from Hong Kong youth, Igf.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Msko, are you online?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: I think we have some issue of connecting with the

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: the colleagues that have asked for the floor.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: But we can also try to connect later on. I would like to see if Chuang Liu, from Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research, Chinese Academy of Science can hear us and is able to connect. Now.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Mr. Liu, number 10. Okay, it seems a little bit difficult. But

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: I may ask now, amrit Kumar from dynamic team coalition.

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Amrith Kumar: Ms. Thank you. Facilitators. I will be speaking today on behalf of the dynamic teen coalition. The 1st and only teen led board at the United Nations

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Amrith Kumar: over the past 20 years since the Wasis, we've seen tremendous growth in digital participation, but that growth has been outpaced by the frameworks that govern it.

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Amrith Kumar: The original vision of a people-centered, inclusive, and development oriented information. Society cannot be realized if entire age groups are still structurally excluded at the UN. Youth is still often defined as 18 to 35. This excludes teens, aged 13 to 19. Despite the fact that they're legally and actively participating in global digital life, on social platforms, in coding communities, in open science and in international discourse.

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Amrith Kumar: To respond to this gap, the dynamic teen coalition has developed a realistic age structure that reflects how people actually participate across their lifespan. Especially online. We propose from 0 to 12, child, a stage focused on protection and safety.

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Amrith Kumar: 13 to 19, a group teen focused on human rights, identity, development and digital citizenship, 18 plus early career, a self-selected stage that bridges experience and maturity mid-career where networks, impact and leadership take shape. And finally, senior career, a time for mentorship, legacy and structural guidance.

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Amrith Kumar: The structure is grounded in real practice. Dtc's teams have led consultations at the Igf contribute to the Itu's virtual worlds initiatives and are recognized by the UN Foundation. We don't need permission to participate. We're already doing the work. What we need is a system that reflects the reality.

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Amrith Kumar: The current challenges implementing wicis outcomes is not just technical. It's structural exclusion by age is a policy failure that can and must be addressed. Our ask is simple, update UN and wicis related age categories to reflect real digital participation.

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Amrith Kumar: Second, eliminate unnecessary age caps that prevent teens from registering or contributing to initiatives.

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Amrith Kumar: Thirdly, institutionalized, team-led participation through funded pathways, not just token invitations, we believe inclusive lifelong multi-stakeholder cooperation, especially through the assist 20.

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Amrith Kumar: And the global digital compact can only be meaningful when all stakeholders are actually included. That meaning that means building with not just fourteens. Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Amari, for your contribution. We really need to hear your voice and to address your voices. I would like now to invite Miss Amelie de Silva Michel from Igf dynamic coalitions.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: She's here, but she cannot be promoted. Apparently she's not accepting, so we can move to the next one. Okay, we'll try to connect with the colleagues that cannot connect. Right now. I would like to invite Mr. Nicholas Fumarelli from Internet Society of Uruguay. Chapter

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: and Icoc alumni Network.

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: Hello! Can you hear me?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yeah.

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: Hello! This is Amali Disilva Mitchell. I was just given the unmute. Should I continue.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yes.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Can we continue with the Amali? And then, call back Mr. Nicholas.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Mr. Nicholas agrees. So, Amali, you can continue.

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: Thank you. So I'm from the Internet governance forum dynamic coalition on data-driven health technologies. And I want to say, Thank you very much for the whole whiss process over the past 20 years. Thank you for Internet governance forum. Thank you for the wiss forum. Thank you for all the UN. Partners in including, in a very diverse and inclusive manner, individual voices. And we really appreciate that

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: as we are a patient, driven group, we are very concerned about the ability for individual voices to be heard and not let's call it smothered. So it's very important for data-driven technologies to hear the individual personal voice. Now, quite often, these individual voices are people with low skills.

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: So we need to be able to facilitate the voices of these individuals as they use healthcare. ICT. Technology has been incredibly supportive in providing digital health services for the global public. But we are concerned about certain things like misinformation. And

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: recently, we hear about malign artificial intelligence. And we see this developing due to poor data qualities. So with this tremendous speed of change, that we are having

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: tremendous issues of interoperability between the various devices, especially patients, will use from computer to a tablet to a mobile phone. We see there's a great need to be very conscious of these issues, and especially the same values and norms, are not present in every society. So there are societal differences, cultural differences, and these must always be thought of. So we really

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Amalo De Silva Mitchell: ask, going to the future that the quality of data be emphasized in the capture into various systems, and that is absolutely critical. Please. So thank you very much. We are very pleased with the whole process so far, and we really wish many more years of this process would be open for all of us. Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Ms. De Silva Michel, for your contribution. I would like now to invite Mr. Nicholas Fiumarelli from Internet Society of Uruguay.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Mr. Fiorelli. You have the floor.

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: Thank you, excellencies and colleagues. My name is Nicola Fumarelli from Internet Society, Uruguay and the Internet Society Alumni Network.

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: I speak today as part of the technical community. And also as someone who's seen how local action can shape global policy in meaningful and measurable ways. There's a lot to talk about inclusion, about youth participation, but in our region we actively lived it. Just to put, for instance, you have the Utahicf in Colombia, with its annual forum organized by students, local actors, and young technologists. The discussion didn't end in the room right? They flow directly

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: to the National Icf. In Colombia became part of the rational Lac Icf, and then made their way to the ascendo of the global Icf last year in Riyadh as an example. So that's not symbolic. That's the bottom up and consensus Internet governance analog to the Rirs previously mentioned, and the itf, too.

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: And it's not an isolated story. It's a pattern across the world, national Agf. In Chile, Uruguay, Argentina, Peru, Colombia, and beyond alerts shaping local public debates, civil frameworks, as in Brazil, national strategies, policy, Roma and the most important community priorities. Brazil youth program, launched by Cci Brazil in 2015, has trained over and brought thousands of young people not just to attend meetings, but to lead sessions, shape frameworks

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: and write Internet policy with purpose. So many of these young leaders around the world are here today at this call, actively contributing. So this is closely aligning with the Wisi's action line c. 4. On capacity building, and it serves as a clear proof that when all stakeholders are engaged, society evolves. So these are not one of initiatives. They are systems of engagement.

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: This is reflecting, especially as I say, capacity building, but also enabling environment. So this is

why the Internet society has embedded so consistently in these spaces, choosing youth ambassador program, regional dialogues. And now community focal points engagement with the whis plus 20. So it means that we have multi-stakeholderism, government, civil society, private sector, etc.

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: We come together, not in parallel, but in the same space. So this is not top down. It's co-created. That is the Internet governance Forum with 165 national and regional Icf and youth. Icf, it's a transparent ongoing as the Icf leadership panel expressed before the Icf. Is neutral and no negotiation is productive. Thanks to the dynamic coalitions and the policy networks, for example, as a representative of the dynamic coalition on

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Nicolas Fiumarelli: on Internet governance. Sorry the immigration on Internet standards. We were seeing how these inequalities are worsening also universal accept and readiness mentioned in the Unesco Romax indicators now is showcasing this. So this is a call to not duplicate efforts. So let's coordinate. Let's invest in what already shown it can scale, adapt, and bring people together to shape our common digital future. Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Mr. Fimareli, for your contribution. I would like now to invite Basilu Rahman from Bangladesh, Ngos Network for radio and communication.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Mister

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: Yeah, your Excellency.

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: Bangladesh and Jews network for radio and communication and Bangladesh Internet Governance firm have advocated for the implementation of the Wasis action lines c. 1 to C. 11, and to the Igf. Agent in Bangladesh. Since 2,006, your Excellency, the essential objective of the Wsis bandit

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: have yet to be fully realized as outlined in the Geneva plan and Geneva plan of action and agenda

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: for action. It is important to enhance the effectiveness of the wsis from and to promote the localization of Wsis initiative. Furthermore, we should prioritize annual monitoring implementation and

review process at the company level to ensure sustainable progress. What is urgently needed is a permanent, reinforced, and even more inclusive wsis and Igf with sustainable funding at

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: both the Secretariats and the country level. Your Excellency

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: integrated Wsis Igf. And Gtc. Process at the UN Resident Coordinator system at the country level. We would greatly appreciate your consideration to include the annual monitoring and implementation and review of Wsis at country level, in collaboration with the UN resident coordinator and engagement with multi stakeholder in a manner that suits the country specific need.

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: your Excellency, I conclude we express our strong support for digital justice. Now, a call to action for Wsis 20 and beyond, articulated by the global digital justice from 5 point plan for inclusive wsis 20 initiated by global partners, global partners digital and

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AHM Bazlur Rahman | Bangladesh: global Forum for media development. Zfmd, regarding the Wsis 20 review process, we urgently need your attention to this matter. Thank you for your consideration.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Mr. Ahmed, for your contribution. I would like now to invite

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: from youth Igf, Myanmar, and youth. Igf. Southeast Asia.

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: Hello! Can you hear me?

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yes, we hear you. You can continue.

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: Okay, good morning and good afternoon. Everyone this is from the Ungf Member and the South Asia Ung, and it's my honor to contribute to this consultation. As we know, the Ap Asia Pacific is a home to the over half of

the world Internet user placing as a very front of the digital innovation, adoption, and transformation.

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: Despite this rapid extension, we still face a digital divide both between and within the country, our region is incredibly diverse, threatening from the dynamite East Asian economy to rapid developing nation in the South, East, and South Asia. We also grapple with the imagined ethical considerations and the imperative

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: to be the secure and trustworthy digital environment for everyone.

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: As we deliberate on the next 2 decades of the Information Society, we, as you want to emphasize the critical importance of the inclusive, inclusive participation and multi-statehood collaboration, and also

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: from the prospect or from from this perspective we firmly support the Internet governance model as a cornerstone for the future digital discussion, as it is an invaluable platform for filtering dialogue among the different multi-stakeholder, including the young people, and it also provide the essential space for the voices to be had to learn and to contribute meaningful

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: to the Internet governance discussion. We have been seeing the 1st hand, how the IGF empower the

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: young people as a and

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: as for is more like me, I have been learned a lot at the IGFs base, and also deliver and share the information, and also exchange the knowledge. But within the regions and within the community so meaningful engagement, it also require more than just listen. It demands at the inclusion throughout the business process and beyond.

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: as a digital landscapes or the narrow, defined discussion, and in the future we must adapt and broaden its reach to the more to remain. The really best and impactful. And also the digital future are also belong to us. And we are not just a user of the

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: technology Internet. We are the co-creator, innovator and steward. And we believe there's a robust and inclusive Internet governance model demonstrated by the Igf model is essential for building the truly equitable, sustainable, and human Centric Information Society that bring more voices from the vulnerable community like young people and like teenagers to

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: the 4 4, and thank you very much for listening. And this is

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Phyo Thiri Lwin: the future belong to Rs. And everyone is responsible for our future, and every generation need to take accountabilities and responsibility with action, while ensure all stakeholder generation visors are had and listen to listen to, and also leaving no one behind. Thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Ms Yun, for your contribution.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: I would like now to invite Nandini Chameh from it for change and global digital justice forum

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: vistami. You have the floor.

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Nandini Chami: Thank you. Greetings. My name is Nandini. I speak on behalf of the India, based not for profit, organization, it for change and the Southern civil society coalition, global digital Justice Forum.

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Nandini Chami: 1 3rd of the world's population is still offline, most of whom are in developing countries, even as stubborn divides in Internet access persist connectivity itself has proven to be a necessary but insufficient condition for digital equality. The infrastructural capabilities and patents to realize the innovation dividends of the new network technologies are concentrated in powerful corporate monopolies from just 2 countries.

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Nandini Chami: The rule book of the digital economy is currently being written in many policy forums, often in an extremely fragmented manner, decoupled from comprehensive considerations of human rights, socioeconomic and gender justice. Often this is in ways where the countries of the global South are excluded and denied the power to shape

their autonomous development destinies.

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Nandini Chami: The vision of the Visus Geneva Declaration, where States rededicated themselves to upholding the principle of the sovereign equality of all States. The commitment to the right to development and building a rich public domain has only acquired renewed significance.

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Nandini Chami: The global Digital Justice Forum urges the visis plus 20 review to factor in the following priorities and pave the way for a digital governance paradigm which moves beyond a narrow stakeholderism to meaningful democratic engagement, prioritizing the voices of the people of the majority world and their governments, smaller private sector actors and public interest, technologists.

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Nandini Chami: priority. One reclaim the Internet as a global communication commons address, corporate accountability for human rights violations in transnational digital value chains institute public financing guarantees for the development of sovereign digital public infrastructure in the global South through measures such as a digital development tax on Internet corporations

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Nandini Chami: acknowledge the imperative to reform trade taxation and IP regimes for a just international economic order based on digital non-alignment and finally commit to ecological justice in digital innovation choices. Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Nandini, for your contribution. I would like now to invite Alia Gupta from dynamic team coalition.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Alia, you have the floor.

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Alia Gupta: Yes, just give me one second

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Alia Gupta: Am I visible.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: No, we don't see you, but we hear you.

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Alia Gupta: Okay. May I speak?

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Alia Gupta: It's not letting you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: You can continue without video.

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Alia Gupta: Okay, thank you.

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Alia Gupta: I speak for the dynamic teen coalition, a global teen-led network that is actively researching and engaging in digital governance across the Igf across the Nris, across the Itu, the UN Foundation, and even other platform policies. And as wisis is the future of multi-stakeholder policies, Dtc's work reveals patterns of exclusion that operate through structural gaps and outdated frameworks.

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Alia Gupta: Now, in our audit of over 50 nris worldwide, most either lack clear age or participation, criteria or default to narrow definitions that exclude many voices without formal recognition or even standardized definitions. Entire groups, especially the younger or the informal digital actors, are left out by default, unable to access any of such forums. For example, the Igf Youth program which focused on

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Alia Gupta: program that was restricted to participation for ages, 18 blocking younger leaders and emerging contributors from engagement. Despite their commitment. That is shown through our ageism study. Now we are also tracking a growing pattern of teen brands across major social media platforms where young people are removed from spaces that are critical to digital civic engagement. These brands happen with limited transparency, shrinking the very public spheres. The governance

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Alia Gupta: take place together. These practices create exclusion by default. Now, not always by explicit intent, but with deep consequences. The voices, shaping policies are increasingly disconnected from the diverse communities affected. This reflects to a broader structural problem in multi-stakeholderism, static stakeholder models fail to adapt to evolving

digital realities and to address this

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Alia Gupta: Dtc proposes a tested alternative. Dtc. Has a lifelong multi-stakeholder model that is inclusive for all age, groups from teen to senior career professionals which recognizes digital participation spanning childhood through adulthood, it balances protection with empowerment, especially for emerging participants and establishes flexible, self-selected participation pathways rather than a rigid

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Alia Gupta: age or status cutoff which we strictly urge as essential recommendations. At this platform we have used this approach in multiple forums and community consultations that demonstrate its viability and benefits for inclusion and legitimacy. This is a critical moment, not just to acknowledge these gaps, but to act decisively to close them here at the end, I ask that we, the

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Alia Gupta: teams, must be included in a platform that shape our future, the point being that only by evolving multi-stakeholderism into a flexible, inclusive, lifelong model. Can we truly ensure digital governance that reflects and serves all users? Thank you.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Alia, for your contribution. I would like now to invite Jasmine Co. From Hong Kong. Youth, Igf Jasmine, you have the floor.

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Jasmine Ko: Hello! Am I audible?

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Jasmine Ko: Hello, Excellency, honorable delegates, and also members of the global community, as well as a representative of Hong Kong youth and the container of the Hong Kong youth, Internet governance forum. We're here to reflect. What have the process versus post 20 process have been impacting our community and society as well. So over the past 2 decades, which is you know.

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Jasmine Ko: most of my 4th 5th of my lifespan. The time that I've experienced how this informax society has involved the significance. The focus has been always on bridging the digital divide and promoting access to information and communication technology. However, while we expect encompassing, not just the assets, we're still witnessing a problem to bridge those who are not yet ready to on board on

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Jasmine Ko: a meaningful participation in the Internet governance and also the information

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Jasmine Ko: System society, the rise of the social media and different emerging technology has bring new challenges, including misinformation and privacy concern, etc. Being one of the Nli national regional

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Jasmine Ko: network of the Igf Internet governance forums. We want to emphasize that the importance of renewing the Igf Remitts, and also to emphasize that this is a very important network that we have been treasuring and emphasizing. This is how the authentic

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Jasmine Ko: and meaningful multi-stakeholder approach could be. Keep on, keep on implementing and make sure that the global visions are streaked by the multi multiple economics and also stakeholder groups of worldwide. So the party and the challenges have always been

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Jasmine Ko: and about enhancing digital literacy which is aligned related to our theme of Hong Kong Yigf on smart economy, which actually stands for sustainable multi stakeholder in full, accountable, resilient and trust network.

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Jasmine Ko: So this is the smart digital economy that we have been wanting to promote, because this is something that we see as part of the developed, widely developed economies in the globe. We would like to play a role and be meaningful voices and participation in this community. And then we have been delivering a youth statement on behalf of Hong Kong youth, and we want to collaborate and synergize

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Jasmine Ko: more with not just you from the other part of the world, but also other stakeholders beyond the youth network as well. We want to make sure that no one is left behind regardless of your economic, social status. So that's the vision we would like to.

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Jasmine Ko: We want to edge for a more efficient, effective communication, and make sure that our efforts, our signature voices, do not deviate, but actually to be on each other work, and to share information and share ideas and co-build a more inclusive and sustainable Internet together. Thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Jasmine, for your views and for your contribution.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: We have another request for the floor, Mr. Surf. Would you like to intervene again.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: If so, you have the floor.

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Vinton Cerf: Thank you so much for allowing me a second bite at the apple, as they say. I just wanted to observe how passionate the youth message has come through in this discussion tonight, and I want to reassure those who were speaking, that I am listening to this, and will convey that point to the leadership panel and to the multi-stakeholder Advisory Group.

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Vinton Cerf: I might look old, and I am old, but I'm happy to say that the youth will inherit all of our mistakes and perhaps fix them. So I'm looking forward to finding more ways for our younger colleagues to participate in what is a very important initiative, the wisis plus 20.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, Mr. Saf, for this remark, and indeed we we hear them, and we'll need to take into account the voices of the youth everywhere where they come, especially in this process that we are going to address together. So we are coming to the end of the list of the speakers, but if there is any other colleague that would like to take the floor, and I see chef de cabinet

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: you'd like to intervene.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Yes, please. You have the floor.

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Ivor Fung: Thank thank you very much. Ambassador. You know

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Ivor Fung: I didn't want to take the floor, but after listening to all the interventions, I'm so motivated, so thrilled

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Ivor Fung: by the energy from everyone. And I know that the process that you

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Ivor Fung: Madam Ambassador, as co-facilitator, you are leading this process. I just would like to tell

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Ivor Fung: all those who are participating in this stakeholder event tonight to say that this is our moment.

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Ivor Fung: The issue we are dealing with is very topical. It's with us. It's part of our life now, and in the future

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Ivor Fung: things are only going to get better. But getting better also comes with some complexities, and we need a sense of responsibility to be able to unravel, to unpack what is in front of us, and I've listened to all the interventions from all the corners of

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Ivor Fung: the regions we are covering tonight will continue tomorrow with the other regions. But the essential message I'm giving after my opening remarks, is just that, please.

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Ivor Fung: Be positive.

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Ivor Fung: The process has, has been initiated, would take on board as much as possible

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Ivor Fung: all the views and all the contributions in a very federated manner, so that at the

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Ivor Fung: at the meeting we're planning, we would, 20 years after this whole idea for the World Summit on Information Society started this time around, we're going to make some very tangible progress. So I just wanted to leave

participants with these ideas of this

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Ivor Fung: the optimism, this hope that we have, and to say that again, madam, ambassador and co-facilitators of this process, we are with you. We will give you the full support, and we know that the participants, too, are eager for change. We, too, are eager for change. We are eager for progress, so thank you very much.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you very much, Abduka Binay, indeed, for this

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: concluding remarks by our side. They are very encouraging to us as co-facilitators, but I hope they give a strong message also to the stakeholders on the seriousness and importance of this process, and I'd also like to take this opportunity as well to express through you

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: the gratitude to the President of the General Assembly for the support he has shown by the start of this process, and we hope to continue until we conclude successfully this process in December, in the high level event in the General Assembly, we count a lot on your office and the support of the PGA

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: if there is no any other request from the colleagues to take the floor, I'm just particularly asking if any of the colleagues that were not able to connect online

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: could have take time, maybe, but it seems that it's not the case. If there is no other request for the floor. Allow me to address you a few closing remarks 1st of all to thank everyone and each of you for your thoughtful contributions. Your views and experiences shared today are very valuable to us during this process, and we'll continue together for the stakeholder input tomorrow

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: with other parts and other regions. Following this consultation, we'll publish Elements paper on June 20, th

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: which will guide subsequent steps in the Wisius plus 20 process.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: We encourage all stakeholders to continue engaging actively and to participate in the upcoming key events, notably the 10th Internet governance Forum in Norway later this month, and the WISPs plus 20 high level Forum in Geneva this July.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you again for your participation and valuable inputs today together, let us continue our journey toward an inclusive, equitable, and sustainable digital future. Thank you. And I wish you all the best, and let's be in touch. Please, as Jeffine say, be very much interested on this process. Contribute, because this is a process that belongs to everyone.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: to all of us.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: Thank you, and we look forward to your contribution. In our next meetings.

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UNHQ-S-26MM2: The meeting is closed.