

1. What are the most important **achievements** arising from WSIS that should be highlighted in the Zero Draft? \*

The WSIS process catalyzed global awareness and dialogue on inclusive digital development, especially among governments, civil society, and the private sector.

It created foundational frameworks (e.g., the WSIS Action Lines) for digital inclusion and capacity building.

The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) has been an important platform for multistakeholder dialogue.

2. What are the most important **challenges** to the achievement of WSIS outcomes to date and in the future that need to be addressed in the Zero Draft? \*

A narrow framing of digital inclusion, focused primarily on connectivity rather than trust, safety, and meaningful participation.

Lack of enforceable infrastructure to support contextual governance, cultural sovereignty, and epistemic integrity.

Emergence of generative AI systems that distort identity, context, and narrative without adequate traceability or consent.

3. What are the most important **priorities** for action to achieve the WSIS vision of a 'people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society' in the future, taking into account emerging trends? \*

Embed contextual safety and trust as preconditions for inclusion.

Develop coordination-layer technologies that support plural meaning-making, consent enforcement, and cultural coherence.

Prioritize infrastructure for semantic bandwidth—knowledge graphs, traceable artifacts, trust signals, and civic overlays.

Address the risks and design challenges posed by generative AI through interoperable provenance and ethical affordances.

4. What **additional themes/issues**, if any, should be included in the Elements Paper? \*

The emergence of a coordination layer as a new public digital substrate for sensemaking and co-governance.

The need for interface-level tools to enable cultural protocols, enforce consent, and protect marginalized worldviews.

Pluralism in epistemology and regenerative knowledge systems as priorities in digital development.

5. Do you wish to comment on **particular themes/issues/paragraphs** in the Elements Paper? \*

The current framing of digital inclusion should be expanded to incorporate safety, trust, and cultural continuity.

The Elements Paper should explicitly recognize the governance and design implications of AI-infused information environments.

The role of public digital infrastructure in enabling collective intelligence and self-determination must be highlighted.

6. What suggestions do you have to support the development of the **WSIS framework** (WSIS Action Lines, IGF, WSIS Forum, UNGIS etc.)? \*

Strengthen the IGF's capacity to integrate interface-level innovation and include designers of sociotechnical systems.

Update WSIS Action Lines to reflect current realities of AI, decentralized governance, and coordination tools.

Establish pilot programs for community-led overlays, consent stacks, and cultural knowledge graphs.

7. Do you have any **other** comments? \*

The WSIS+20 process offers a rare chance to shape a global digital infrastructure that reflects the diversity, agency, and ethical needs of people and communities. In this context, we propose that the coordination layer—a sociotechnical meta-layer that sits above the existing web—be recognized as an emerging public good.

As outlined in The Metaweb: The Next Level of the Internet (Bridgit DAO, 2023), this layer enables contextual interaction, decentralized trust, and shared governance. It includes tools like presence overlays, consent stacks, civic substrates, traceable digital artifacts, and semantic bridges. These infrastructures help communities co-define meaning, enforce cultural protocols, and build regenerative knowledge networks.

Incorporating these innovations into the WSIS framework can help operationalize the vision of a truly people-centered, inclusive, and development-oriented information society—one that is resilient, pluralistic, and future-ready.

8. Who is **submitting** this input? \*

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