

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

Alignment with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- WSIS action lines are directly mapped to the 17 SDGs, making ICTs a cross-cutting enabler for sustainable development across sectors such as e-health, e-learning, e-agriculture, and e-governance.
- The concept of digital public goods and digital technologies as enablers for achieving the SDGs has been widely recognized, positioning digital development as a critical factor for the 2030 Agenda.

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? *

Human Rights and Inclusion

Superficial Integration: While human rights and gender equality are recognized in WSIS outcomes, their implementation has often been limited or superficial, with insufficient mechanisms for monitoring and accountability

Digital Gender Divide: Persistent gaps in access and participation for women and marginalized groups require targeted, sustained action.

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? *

Ongoing Monitoring and Evidence-Based Policy: Enhance data collection, monitoring, and evaluation to track progress, identify gaps, and inform adaptive policy responses. This is essential for measuring impact and ensuring accountability.

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

Resilient digital ecosystem, secure, trustworthy, and resilient to emerging threats, including cybersecurity risks and misinformation. This includes updating WSIS Action Lines to reflect new realities and challenges.

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

Yes, indeed! :)

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

Reaffirming human rights and Inclusion

-Embed a stronger commitment to human rights, gender equality, and social justice throughout the WSIS framework. This should include explicit protections for digital rights and robust mechanisms for monitoring and accountability

-Prioritize closing the digital gender divide and addressing digital inequalities as direct manifestations of broader social and economic disparities

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

NA

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

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