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

Among others, it's very important to highlight the expansion of meaningful connectivity, the consolidation of multi-stakeholder participation, and the mainstreaming of human rights as key WSIS achievements.

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? \*

Despite progress in different areas and dimensions, digital gaps persist, especially in rural areas, among people with disabilities and vulnerable communities. Emerging issues such as unequal access to telecommunications and cybersecurity risks also require comprehensive multilateral responses rooted in digital equity and sustainability.

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? \*

It's imperative to invest in inclusive digital capacity building, prioritize the needs of people with disabilities and vulnerable groups, and promote responsible governance of emerging technologies such as Al and data. National efforts should be supported through international cooperation and financing mechanisms that consider the asymmetries between developed and developing countries.

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

It would be significant to explicitly incorporate digital accessibility as a cross-cutting principle, including universal design in public digital services and digital literacy.

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

Costa Rica's public politics emphasize digital inclusion, human rights and multistakeholderism, as value of internet governance. Paragraphs 8, 30 and 78 should further highlight the necessity of targeted policies to reduce gaps affecting persons with disabilities and women in the digital sector

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

Strengthening the participation of developing countries in the IGF and WSIS Forum through funding and policy support is essential. Cross-pillar synergies should be encouraged, for example, linking AI governance and digital capacity building across WSIS Action Lines.

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

Costa Rica reiterates its commitment to the WSIS vision in prioritize equity and sustainability, and foster global collaboration to ensure a safe, inclusive and resilient digital future.

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

Kindly provide the name of the person submitting this input, as well as the associated country, organization, stakeholder type, and relevant contact information

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