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

No comments

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? *

No comments

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? *

No comments

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

In line with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), the WSIS+20 Review should reaffirm that Indigenous Peoples have the right to access, develop, and use information and communication technologies (ICTs) in ways that support their right to self-determination, cultures, languages, and identities. Article 16 of UNDRIP affirms their right to establish their own media and access non-Indigenous media without discrimination, while Articles 13 and 14 underscore the importance of preserving Indigenous languages and knowledge systems. Indigenous Peoples continue to face significant digital exclusion due to limited infrastructure, affordability, and lack of culturally relevant content. Bridging the digital divide requires targeted policies, investment in Indigenous-led digital initiatives, and respect for Indigenous data sovereignty. The WSIS+20 process must prioritize Indigenous Peoples' full and effective participation in digital policymaking and governance, ensuring that digital transformation upholds their collective rights, enhances intergenerational knowledge transmission, and promotes equitable and inclusive development.

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

Suggestion added in 4

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

No comments

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

No comments

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