

First IGF 2024 Open Consultations

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[Transcript] Statement from Dino Dell'Accio, UN Joint Staff Pension Fund – UNJSPF

Thank you. I'm going to briefly present some initiatives taking place within the international organization. I'll speak in my dual role as the Chief Information Officer of the UN Pension Fund and as a representative of the Digital Technology Network, which I alluded to this morning. Essentially, we have a Mini IGF within the United Nations.

We have three initiatives. The first is about the Digital Technology Network and how its terms of reference align closely with the themes and priorities identified by the IGF.

The second initiative involves creating a UN digital identity for all UN staff worldwide, currently being piloted by a subgroup of UN entities including the UN Secretariat, UNDP, the United Nations International Computing Center, UNICEF, the UN Pension Fund, and the World Food Program.

The third initiative discusses the UN Pension Fund's contribution for the first time to the WSIS+20 reform at the high-level panel event planned to take place in Geneva at the end of May.

My presentation is structured in three columns: on the left, I've extracted the main themes for this year identified by the IGF and the results of the survey from this morning; in the central column, I identify extracts from the terms of reference of the CDTN; and the third column presents opportunities. We are looking for speakers to share best practices and lessons learned with the IGF members on these topics. You can see we have a good alignment between themes.

Again, mapping the IGF themes on cybersecurity, trust, emerging technology, innovation, rights, and freedom, and so on, we launched the UN Digital ID with the approval of the Chief Executive Board of the United Nations. This new logo has been approved. Here, there are opportunities to liaise with us and share best practices.

Vis-a-vis the mandate of the IGF, as a result of the WSIS initiative, we are going to provide input to the special track on ICTs and older persons. We will create a session and invite those interested to present, discuss, and showcase the use of ICT and digital initiatives in this specific subdomain. Thank you.