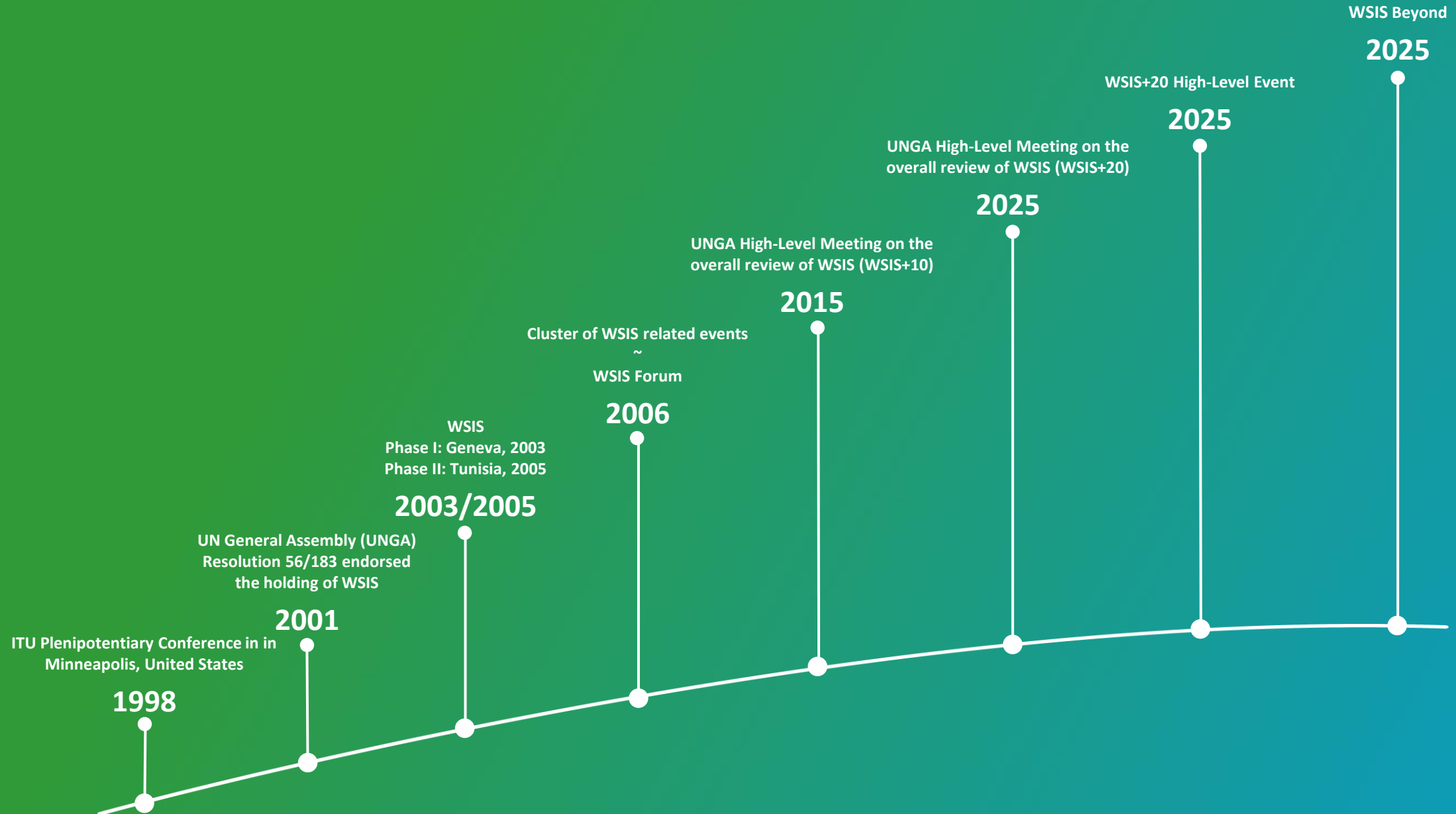


# WSIS Process: Celebrating Twenty Years and Achieving Future Milestones Together



# Evolution of the WSIS Process



# WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

## Governance

UNGA Resolutions

ECOSOC Resolutions

CEB through the United Nations Group on Information Society (UNGIS)

CSTD

Annual WSIS Forum

Annual Internet Governance Forum (IGF)

UN Agencies mandated to implement WSIS Action Lines

UN Regional Commissions mandated  
to implement WSIS at regional level

WSIS Prizes | WSIS Stocktaking |

Partnership for Measuring ICT development |

WSIS Special Initiatives



## Guided by key principles: WSIS Action Lines

- |    |                            |     |                            |
|----|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|
| C1 | ICTs for development       | C7  | eHealth                    |
| C2 | Infrastructure             | C7  | eEmployment                |
| C3 | Access to info & knowledge | C7  | eEnvironment               |
| C4 | Capacity building          | C7  | eAgriculture               |
| C5 | Confidence & security      | C7  | eScience                   |
| C7 | Enabling environment       | C8  | Diversity & local content  |
| C7 | eGovernment                | C9  | Media                      |
| C7 | eBusiness                  | C10 | Ethical dimensions         |
| C7 | eLearning                  | C11 | Int & regional cooperation |

**13 000+** digital projects aligned with SDGs

Presentations by UN WSIS Action Lines facilitators on WSIS+20 Review Action Lines Milestones, Challenges and Emerging Trends beyond 2025:  
<https://itu.int/go/wsis20review>



# WSIS Action Lines

WSIS Action Line	Lead Facilitator(s)	Co-Facilitators
<b>C1: The role of governments and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICT for development</b>	<b>UN DESA</b>	ITU, UNESCO, UNDP
<b>C2: Information and communication infrastructure</b>	<b>ITU</b>	UN DESA, UNESCO, UNDP
<b>C3: Access to information and knowledge</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	FAO, ITU, UN DESA, UNDP, UNIDO
<b>C4: Capacity building</b>	<b>ITU</b>	FAO, UNCTAD, UN DESA, UNDP, UNESCO, UNIDO
<b>C5: Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs</b>	<b>ITU</b>	UN DESA, UNESCO, UNDP
<b>C6: Enabling environment</b>	<b>ITU</b>	APC, UNCTAD, UN DESA, UNDP, UNESCO, UN Regional Commissions, UNIDO
<b>C7: ICT applications:</b>		
• <b>E-government</b>	<b>UN DESA</b>	ITU, UNDP
• <b>E-business</b>	<b>ITC, UNCTAD, UPU</b>	WTO
• <b>E-learning</b>	<b>ITU, UNESCO</b>	UNIDO
• <b>E-health</b>	<b>WHO</b>	ITU
• <b>E-employment</b>	<b>ILO</b>	ITU
• <b>E-environment</b>	<b>ITU, UNEP, WMO</b>	ICAO, UN-Habitat, WHO
• <b>E-agriculture</b>	<b>FAO</b>	ITU
• <b>E-science</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	ITU, UNCTAD, WHO
<b>C8: Cultural diversity and identity, linguistic diversity and local content</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	
<b>C9: Media</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	
<b>C10: Ethical dimensions of the Information Society</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	ECOSOC, ECPAT Int'l, WHO
<b>C11: International and regional cooperation</b>	<b>UN DESA</b>	ECOSOC, ITU, UNDP, UNESCO, UN Regional Commissions

# WSIS Process: Multistakeholder in nature, involving all stakeholders



# WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

Partnership on Measuring  
ICT for Development

WSIS Special Initiatives

WSIS&SDG TalkX

Alignment of the WSIS process  
with the 2030 Agenda

WSIS Action Lines

WSIS Forum

WSIS Stocktaking

United Nations Group on  
Information Society

## WSIS&SDG Implementation

# WSIS: An overall framework incorporating all aspects of digital

## WSIS Framework: Implementation and follow-up to GDC



WSIS Process and 2030 Agenda - GDC Matrix being prepared in consultation with WSIS Action Lines facilitators





**WSIS+20**  
HIGH-LEVEL EVENT 2025  
7-11 July 2025  
Geneva, Switzerland

**Save the date**

7-11 July 2025  
Palexpo  
Geneva, Switzerland



# Register now!

Registration for the WSIS+20 High-Level Event 2025 is free of charge and open to all stakeholders.

**Registration is mandatory for all participants** to attend the Event.

On-site Registration

Virtual Registration

<https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2025/Home/Registration>

**We encourage you to book your accommodation early.**

## Accreditation and Visa

- Accreditation is required in order to participate on-site to attend the Event.
- Accreditation requests should be submitted as soon as possible and no later than **30 April 2024** to ensure timely administrative processing of the requests.
- A registration confirmation (e-confirmation) will be the sole document provided for visa support.



# WSIS+20 High-Level Event 2025

## Objectives

A platform for multistakeholder discussions on the progress made since the inception of WSIS and take stock of the achievements/success in 20 years to bridge the digital divide and promote meaningful connectivity, both today and beyond 2025.

## Outcome

Multistakeholder outcome to be submitted to the UNGA overall review in 2025

## Format

Engaging  
Interactive  
Consultative

# Agenda and Programme

Built through the Open Consultation Process (OCP), which aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum.

All stakeholders are invited to contribute and participate actively.

**REQUEST AND  
SUGGEST**



Proposal for Sessions

Exhibition Space

Innovative formats and topics

WSIS+20 views

Submit through an online form

**DEADLINE: 14 March 2025**

# Join the Open Consultation Process meetings

18 November 2024  
14:00-15:00 CET  
ITU HQ, Room A and remote

## 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

11 February 2025  
13:30-14:30 CET  
During 42<sup>nd</sup> CWG-WSIS&SDG  
Room L, ITU HQ, Geneva and remote

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

18 December 2024  
During IGF-24, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia  
07:45 to 08:45 (CET)  
with remote participation

## 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting

April 2025  
ITU HQ, Geneva and remote

10 June 2025  
14:00-15:00 CEST  
ITU HQ, Room A  
and remote

## Final Brief



Learn more

# Draft Agenda

	<b>MON 7 July</b>	<b>TUE 8 July</b>	<b>WED 9 July</b>	<b>THU 10 July</b>	<b>FRI 11 July</b>
<b>AM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambassadors Roundtable</li> <li>• Inaugural Session</li> <li>• High-Level Plenary</li> <li>• Exhibition Inauguration</li> <li>• Knowledge Café</li> <li>• WSIS Prizes</li> <li>• Youth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• High-Level Lunch by Platinum partner</li> <li>• Knowledge Café</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Network of Women Leaders in ICT Breakfast</li> <li>• High-Level Track</li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• High-Level Lunch by Diamond partner</li> <li>• Knowledge Café</li> <li>• WSIS Prizes Champions Ceremony</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-Level track</li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• Knowledge Café</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-Level track</li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• Knowledge Café by Silver Partner</li> </ul>
<b>PM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNGIS High-Level</li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• Reception by Poland / Youth Party</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regulators Roundtable</li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• TED/similar TalkX WSIS 20-year celebrations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-Level track</li> <li>• Ministerial Roundtable</li> <li>• ITU 160<sup>th</sup> Presidential Gala Dinner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AI Governance Day</b></li> <li>• Forum track</li> <li>• Official Swiss Reception</li> <li>• Partner Certificates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WSIS Action Lines Facilitators Meeting</li> <li>• Closing Ceremony and Chair's WSIS+20 HLE Summary</li> </ul>

# WSIS+20 High-Level Event - key elements



High-Level Leaders TalkX



Interactive Sessions by all stakeholders



WSIS Prizes



Hackathon



Ambassadors & Regulators Roundtables



Emerging Technologies



Ministerial Roundtable



UN WSIS Action Lines & UNGIS sessions



Exhibitions



20-year celebrations

# WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

## Key emerging topics to date

Youth Day



Civil Society/ Technical Community Roundtables



Gender Track



Consultative High-Level Track



WSIS+20 review



Business and Academia Roundtables



UN Focus on implementation of WSIS Action Lines



20 years celebrations





# High-Level Track

## Participation

- Heads of States
- Ministers
- Heads of Regulatory Authorities
- Ambassadors
- Heads of UN Agencies
- Mayors
- Heads of International Organizations
- Parliamentarians
- CEOs
- Civil Society Leaders

## Engagements

- Leaders TalkX
- Ministerial Roundtable
- Regulators Roundtable
- Ambassadors Roundtable
- High-Level social events

# WSIS Stocktaking Database



CONTINUE SHARING  
YOUR PROJECTS AND  
EXPERIENCES ON THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF  
WSIS ACTION LINES

Search...

Select action line

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WSIS Prizes Nominated



WSIS Prizes Champion



WSIS Prizes Winner

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# WSIS Prizes 2025

Submit your best digital projects that are advancing the UN SDGs and be recognized globally!

Deadline: 10 February 2025

**SUBMIT NOW** [www.wsis.org/prizes](http://www.wsis.org/prizes)

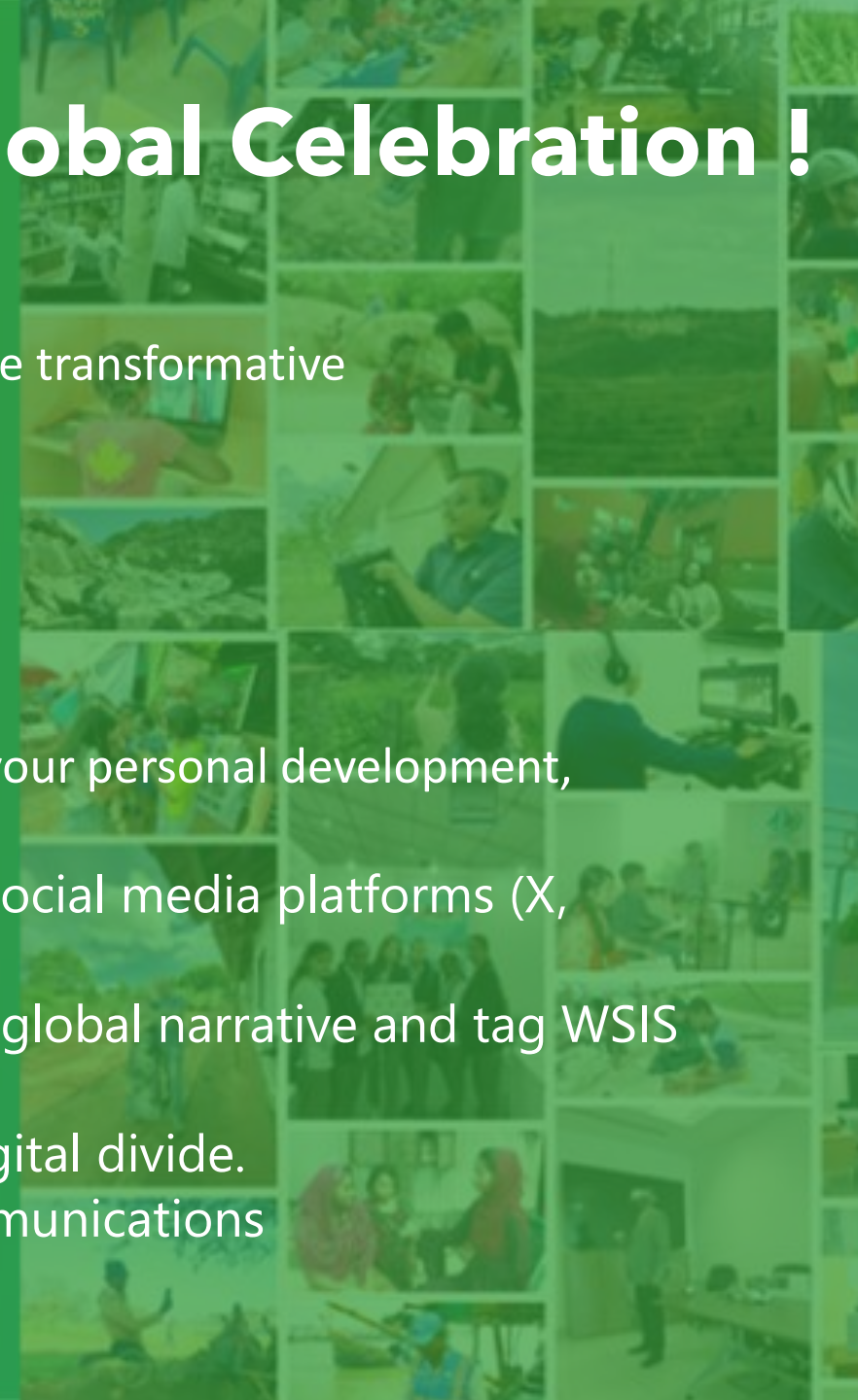


# #WSIS20Story - Join the 20-year Global Celebration !

- Engage the global community in commemorating 20 years of WSIS
- Collect and share personal testimonials from the ground highlighting the transformative power of digital initiatives promoted by WSIS.

## Join now!

- Create a short video (**20 seconds**) sharing how has WSIS contributed to your personal development, community improvement, or advanced your digital inclusion?
- Post your video/reel/snippet in **your language** on your preferred social media platforms (X, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn).
- Use the hashtag **#WSIS20Story** to ensure your story is part of the global narrative and tag WSIS accounts to increase the visibility of your video.
- Every story is a testament to the impact of WSIS in bridging the digital divide.
- Selected stories will be featured in WSIS+20 celebrations and communications



# #WSIS20Story - What's your story?



WSIS Story of Markus Kummer,  
Switzerland



WSIS Story of Wendy  
Teresa Goico Campagna,  
Dominican Republic



# WSIS Fund in Trust

The WSIS Trust Fund was established in 2011 with the adoption of [Plenipotentiary Conference Resolution 140](#).

Council Resolution [1332](#) as modified by ITU Council 2024 takes into account the outcomes of the United Nations General Assembly Overall Review of the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and resolves to maintain the fund to support ITU activities to facilitate the implementation of WSIS outcomes, calls for partnerships and strategic alliances, and invites the ITU Membership to make voluntary contributions to the fund.

See all contributors on the dedicated page here:

<https://www.itu.int/go/wsisfund>,

**All ITU membership and other interested stakeholders are encouraged to contribute to the WSIS Fund in Trust for the year 2025, and all stakeholders invited to partner with the WSIS+20 High-Level Event 2025.**

# Partner with Us!

 Strategic Partner Diamond

 Strategic Partner Platinum

 Strategic Partner Gold

 Silver Partner

 Contributing Partner

 Supporting Partners



Contact us at [wsis-info@itu.int](mailto:wsis-info@itu.int)

# Reminder: Calls for Contributions



Open Consultation Process



WSIS Stocktaking & Prizes  
2025



WSIS Photo Contest  
2025



WSIS Special Prizes  
and Hackathon  
*Coming Soon!*



WSIS Fund  
in Trust



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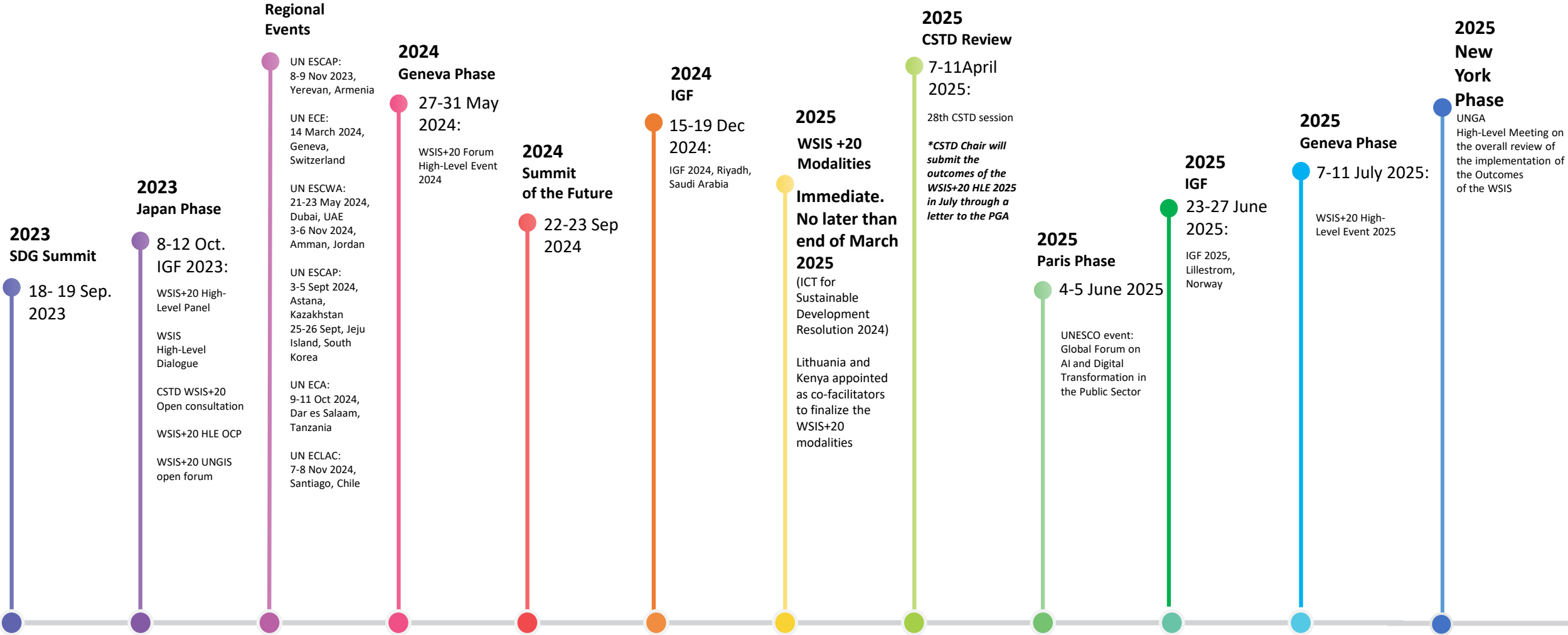




# **WSIS+20 REVIEW**



# WSIS+20 Review Joint Preparatory Process



Multistakeholder outcome on 20 years of WSIS implementation and a vision of WSIS beyond 2025 to be submitted to the Summit of the Future 2024 and endorsed during the high-level meeting at UNGA in 2025

# WSIS+20 Roadmaps



World Summit on the  
Information Society  
(WSIS)+20: WSIS beyond  
2025 - WSIS+20  
Roadmap



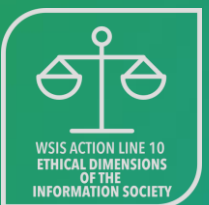
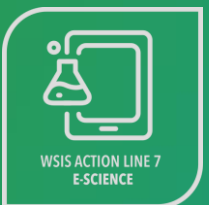
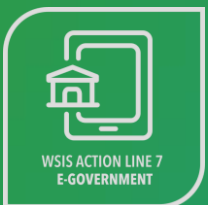
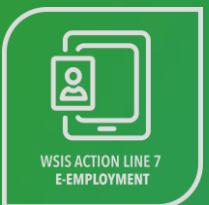
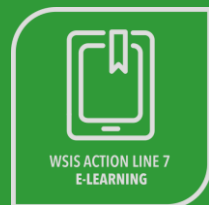
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Society (WSIS) outcomes



Commission on Science and  
Technology for Development  
Roadmap for the WSIS+20



# 20 years of WSIS Action Lines: milestones, challenges and emerging trends beyond 2025



20 years of implementation of WSIS Action Lines prepared by UN Action Lines Facilitators, highlighting:

- Evolution of context
- 20 years achievements
- Challenges
- Emerging Trends
- Opportunities beyond 2025

Learn more:

<https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2025/Home/About>

# Contribute: ITU Call for Inputs on the WSIS+20 Review

In accordance with ITU Council Resolution 1332, members and other stakeholders are invited to contribute their views on the work of the ITU in the WSIS+20 review, including ideas related to the review of the WSIS Action Lines.



Learn more

# Thank You

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