# Five-Point Plan for an Inclusive WSIS+20 Review

As engaged stakeholders in the WSIS+20 Review process, we, the undersigned, submit the following recommendations<sup>1</sup> to help operationalise the WSIS+20 review modalities to ensure transparency, inclusivity, and meaningful stakeholder engagement.

## 1. Publish a Clear and Inclusive Timeline:

- a. Within 7 days of appointing the co-facilitators, publish and maintain a comprehensive timeline outlining key milestones, including consultations and government-only negotiations, with adequate notice of any changes.
- b. Provide stakeholders with at least 7 days to submit written input.

## 2. Ensure Transparency and Accountability:

- a. Maintain an online platform<sup>2</sup> centralizing all input and draft documents, their status, and stakeholders consulted.
- b. Publish substantive records of all consultations, including summary reports of main points and how these have been addressed, to enhance explainability.
- c. Live-stream government-only negotiations<sup>3</sup> and provide post-session transcripts.

## 3. Facilitate Inclusive and Meaningful Stakeholder Consultations:

- a. Actively seek stakeholder input <u>at every stage</u> (elements paper, zero / first / final drafts) through written submissions and official virtual/in-person consultations, applying equal participation rules for governments and other stakeholders.
- b. Hold official stakeholder consultations at existing forums, including global and regional IGF initiatives and the WSIS High-Level Event, while also inviting Member States to conduct national consultations.
- c. Implement a multistakeholder speaking order during consultations by alternating speaking slots among governments and other stakeholder groups, with reasonable time allocation for interventions.

## 4. Broaden and Diversify Participation:

- a. Build on the WSIS+10 accreditation process, including by broadening the group of eligible stakeholders to participants of national, regional, and global IGFs.
- b. Promote diverse participation by offering financial and logistical support for underrepresented communities, particularly from the Global Majority.
- c. Ensure accessibility globally by implementing measures such as accommodating different time zones and working days, publishing key documents in official UN languages, and providing low-bandwidth participation options.

## 5. Maximise Inclusive Participation in Final Negotiations:

- a. Limit any necessary closed-door intergovernmental negotiations to the final stage of the WSIS+20 process.
- b. Ensure meaningful and inclusive multistakeholder participation at the High-Level Meeting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These draw on existing guidance on multistakeholderism, e.g. <u>São Paulo Multistakeholder Guidelines</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For example, see this <u>OHCHR platform</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For example, see recent negotiations on the <u>UN Convention on Cybercrime</u>.

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- 4. Access Now
- 5. ACLIS, Burundi and Rwanda
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- 7. Africa ICT Alliance (AfICTA)
- 8. Alfa-Redi
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- 11. Asian Social Science Research Institute (Asri), Republic of Korea
- 12. Asociación SVNet (SV Top Level Domain)
- 13. Association for Progressive Communications (APC)
- 14. Association of Freelance Journalists
- 15. Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication (BNNRC)
- 16. Bolo Bhi (Pakistan)
- 17. Center for Democracy & Technology
- 18. Center for Studies of Freedom of Expression (CELE)
- 19. Collaboration on International ICT Policy for East and Southern Africa (CIPESA)
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- 30. Digital Empowerment Foundation
- 31. Digital Rights Foundation
- 32. Digital Rights Nepal
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- 38. European Center for Not-For-Profit Law Stichting (ECNL)
- 39. Feminist AI Research Network
- 40. Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD)
- 41. Global Network Initiative (GNI)
- 42. Global Partners Digital (GPD)
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- 44. House of Africa, Chad
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- 46. ICC BASIS
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- 61. Internet Society El Salvador Chapter
- 62. Internet Society Ethiopia Chapter
- 63. Internet Society Gender Standing Group
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- 65. Internet Society Malawi Chapter
- 66. Internet Society Nepal Chapter
- 67. Internet Society Philippines Chapter
- 68. Internet Society Puerto Rico Chapter
- 69. Internet Society Singapore Chapter
- 70. Internet Society UK England Chapter
- 71. Intervozes Coletivo Brasil de Comunicação Social
- 72. Japan Registry Services Co., Ltd. (JPRS)
- 73. KICTANet
- 74. Media Matters for Democracy, Pakistan
- 75. Media Monitoring Africa
- 76. NetMission.Asia
- 77. Paradigm Initiative (PIN)
- 78. Pastoralist Girls Foundation
- 79. Public Interest Registry (PIR)
- 80. Puerto Rico Top Level Domain (NIC.pr)
- 81. Research ICT Africa
- 82. RNW Media
- 83. Rudi International
- 84. Rural Media Network Pakistan
- 85. Software Freedom Law Center India (SFLC.IN)
- 86. SMEX
- 87. Taiwan Network Information Center (TWNIC)
- 88. Tech for Good Asia
- 89. Tech Global Institute
- 90. Tech4Peace
- 91. TEDIC Paraguay
- 92. Telecommunities Canada (tc.ca)
- 93. The Korea Game Users Association, Republic of Korea
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- 95. Transformative Legal Policy Research Center [TLPR], Republic of Korea
- 96. Usuarios Digitales Ecuador
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