Trends in the Information Society since WSIS

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The overarching WSIS vision of:

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- WSIS targets 10 targets on connectivity and other issues
- WSIS action lines 18 issues and interactive fora
- Monitoring and measurement
- Internet governance IGF and enhanced cooperation
- Financing mechanisms
- □ Follow-up activities through:
 - □ UN Regional Commissions and agencies
 - Multilateral agengies
 - Private sector businesses
 - Civil society organisations



Reviewing WSIS after ten years: four questions

- To what extent has a 'people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society' developed in the ten years since?
- □ How far do you consider the implementation of WSIS outcomes to have been achieved?
- What are the challenges to the implementation of WSIS outcomes and to the emergence of a 'people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society?
- What should be the priorities for stakeholders seeking to achieve WSIS outcomes and progress towards the Information Society in the Post-2015 Development Agenda?



Key themes in Information Society development include:

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- □ Infrastructure, access and inclusiveness
- Content, applications and capacitybuilding
- □ Technical, financial and related issues
- Governance and wider public policy issues
- Developmental activities and impacts
- New trends in technology and services
- Changes in the Internet and Internet governance
- The relationship between the Information Society and the Post-2015 Development Agenda
- The processes for WSIS implementation



The context for WSIS implementation

- 1. The changing international environment:
 - a. Economic recession and restructuring
 - b. Demographic growth, migration, social and cultural change
 - c. Environmental impacts
- The transition from the Millennium Declaration and MDGs to the Post-2015 Development Agenda and SDGs
- 3. The rapid pace of change in ICT technology and markets





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- the transition to broadband at the core of network and future service provision
- the emergence of cloud computing
- the emergence of value-added mobile services, mobile transactions and mobile Internet
- the emergence of social networking and other user-generated content and services



