

# Final Week of the WSIS Forum 2021, 17-21 May 2021

Dear WSIS Stakeholders,

Since January, the WSIS Forum 2021 has hosted 200 workshops, interviews and WSIS Action Line Meetings with around cumulative attendance of over 11,000 participants joining from over 170 countries around the world. In addition, we have more than 20,000 views on Facebook videos of the sessions.

We are looking forward to your active participation in the **final week of the WSIS Forum 2021 (17-21 May 2021)**! Please see below the agenda of WSIS Forum 2021 final week. More information is available at

[www.wsis.org/forum](http://www.wsis.org/forum)

Kindly join us for today's sessions on Monday, 17 May 2021:

**11:45 - 13:00 CEST: *WSIS Forum 2021 Highlights and Key Achievements* ([REGISTER](#))**

**13:00-14:30 CEST: *World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) 2021 Celebration* ([REGISTER](#))**

**15:00-16:30 CEST: *High-Level Dialogue: Ageing in a Digital World: From Vulnerable to Valuable | Announcement of the Winners of the WSIS Forum 2021 Hackathon and the WSIS Forum 2021 Healthy Ageing Innovation Prize* ([REGISTER](#))**

Best regards,  
WSIS Team



SPECIAL ISSUE — MAY 14, 2021

## WSIS FORUM

### Final Week

---

Dear WSIS Stakeholders,

Since January, the **WSIS Forum 2021** has hosted **200 workshops, interviews and WSIS Action Line Meetings** with around cumulative attendance of **over 11000 participants** joining from **over 170 countries** around the world. In addition we have **more than 20,000 views** on Facebook videos of the sessions.

We would like to thank you for your participation, efforts, and determination towards ICTs for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Societies and Economies. Despite the difficult situation ICTs have kept us connected and allowed us to successfully host the Forum online!

We hope that you will join us! Thank you for your support.



12:00 CEST

13:00 CEST

14:00 CEST

15:00 CEST

16:00 CEST

17:00 CEST

Keep at  
media |

# WSISFLASH

SPECIAL ISSUE — NOVEMBER 2020



## 1<sup>st</sup> Virtual Meeting of the OCP WSIS Forum 2021

Friday 6 November 2020, 10:10-11:10 CET

The 1<sup>st</sup> Virtual Meeting of the open consultations will take place this Friday, the 6th of November 2020 from 10:10 to 11:10 CET during IGF 2020. We invite you join us for this meeting and contribute to shaping the themes and format of WSIS Forum 2021.

## Road to Addis: towards #ITUWTDC

### ITUWebinars Road to Addis: towards #ITUWTDC

*Finance2Connect:  
Innovative Ways to Finance Connectivity*

28 April, 15:00 - 16:15 CEST  
Virtual meeting

#ITUWTDC #RoadToAddis  
[itu.int/roadtoaddis](http://itu.int/roadtoaddis)



## WTISD



The theme for this year's **World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD 2021)** is '**Accelerating digital transformation in challenging times**' and you are all invited to join the celebration that will take place during the WSIS Forum final week, on Monday 17 May, at 1pm (CEST) – See the **AGENDA** for more information. To find out more visit our dedicated **WEBSITE** and see where you will find an **Advocacy Toolkit** in the six ITU languages together with the promotional materials to share with members and partners to continue to raise awareness of the importance of the Union's work to reach the goals and targets in the **Connect 2030 Agenda**.



# WSIS FORUM 2021

Starting from January  
Final Week 17-21 May 2021

ICTs for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Societies and Economies  
(WSIS Action Lines for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals)

Outcomes

Open Consultations

High-Level

Agenda

Win & Share

COVID-19 Response

Sponsor



8 March, 15:00 CET

WSIS Forum 2021 celebrates  
**International Women's Day**



**Join the conversation**  
Mr. Malcolm Johnson, Deputy Secretary-General, ITU  
with men and women who **#ChooseToChallenge**  
Inequality and Gender bias in ICTs



## **Hackathon** – Ageing Better with ICTs

### **Building a Brighter Future for Older Persons Through ICT Innovation**

#WSIS Forum 2021 and the Global Coalition on Aging (GCOA) are happy to co-organize an Ageing Better with ICTs online hackathon, a first-of-its-kind global hackathon focused on innovation for the Silver Economy. The hackathon, will draw participants from around the world and of all ages to generate ideas for #ICTs to improve the lives of older persons.



## ONLINE WORKSHOP

# Communication for all: Cboard - Free and Open Source Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Technology

**TUESDAY, 26 JANUARY 2021, 12:00-13:00 CET**

### PANELLISTS



**MR. MARTIN BEDOURET**  
FOUNDER  
AND DEVELOPER  
CBOARD



**MS. KATRINA  
COHEN COSENTINO**  
HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS  
CBOARD



# WSIS FORUM 2021

Starting from January  
Final Week 17-21 May 2021

ICTs for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Societies and Economies  
(WSIS Action Lines for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals)

Outcomes

Open Consultations

High-Level

Agenda

Win & Share

COVID-19 Response

Sponsor





SPECIAL ISSUE — MAY 14, 2021


## WSIS FORUM

### Final Week

Dear WSIS Stakeholders,

Since January, the **WSIS Forum 2021** has hosted **200 workshops, interviews and WSIS Action Line Meetings** with around cumulative attendance of **over 11000 participants** joining from **over 170 countries** around the world. In addition we have **more than 20,000 views** on Facebook videos of the sessions.

We would like to thank you for your participation, efforts, and determination towards ICTs for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Societies and Economies. Despite the difficult situation ICTs have kept us connected and allowed us to successfully host the Forum online!

 <b>WSIS Forum 2021</b> Starting from January Final Week 17-21 May 2021		<b>WSIS Forum 2021</b> <b>Final Week</b>			<b>Monday 17th to Friday 21th of May 2021</b> .....	
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
12:00 CEST	<b>WSIS Forum 2021 Highlights and Key Achievements</b>	<b>Official Opening Segment: Opening Ceremony</b>  <b>Opening Segment: WSIS Prizes 2021 Awards Ceremony</b>  <b>Opening Segment: Appreciation Ceremony for WSIS Forum 2021 Partners and the High-Level Dialogue with partners</b>	<b>Story of ICTs for Development behind My Photograph: Learn More from Photo Contest Winners and Finalists about Projects Implementing ICTs for Achieving SDGs</b>		<b>UAE Country Workshop</b>	<b>WSIS Stocktaking and WSIS Prizes Interactive Session</b>
13:00 CEST	<b>World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) 2021 celebration</b>		<b>WSIS Prizes 2021 Champions</b>	<b>Ministerial Round Table (Ministers only)</b>	<b>High-Level Dialogue: AI Readiness Check: Policy Impact, Opportunities and Challenges</b>	<b>WSIS Action Line Facilitators Meeting</b>
14:00 CEST		<b>High-Level Dialogue: Accelerating Digital Transformation of Government Services - GovStack</b>	<b>WSIS UN Regional Commissions Meeting Round Table</b>		<b>Closing Ceremony</b>	
15:00 CEST	<b>High-Level Dialogue: Ageing in a Digital World: From Vulnerable to Valuable</b> <b>Announcement: Winners of the WSIS Forum 2021 Hackathon and Healthy Ageing Innovation Prize</b>			<b>Outcomes of the High-level Policy Sessions and Conclusion of High-Level Track by Chairman</b>		
16:00 CEST				<b>High-Level Dialogue: Ethics of Artificial Intelligence</b>		
17:00 CEST						

Keep an eye out for our upcoming events through our interactive Agenda and our social media platforms – **Facebook, Instagram and Twitter** !