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PLENARY

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. 4th meeting. Conference Room XVIII

Priority themes: (E/CN.16/2009/3, E/CN.16/2009/CRP.1) [3]

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capacity-building in education and research

(c) Presentation of reports on science, technology and innovation
policy reviews

*Introduction and presentation of reports on science, technology and
innovation policy reviews (STIP)*

3 - 6 p.m. 5th meeting Conference Room XVIII

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Summary

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3rd meeting

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels [2]

Joint CSTD-ITU-GAID panel discussion on “Mobile Technology, Convergence and Social Networking Tools for Development and Poverty Eradication”.

Statements were made by the Executive Coordinator, GAID and the Special Adviser to the CSTD.

The Commission began its joint CSTD-ITU-GAID panel discussion and heard an opening statement by the Chairman.

A statements was also made by the Deputy Secretary-General, ITU and the Co-Chair, GAID.

The panel was moderated by Ms. Ayesha Hassan, Senior Policy Manager Electronic Business, IT and Telecommunications Executive in charge of Information and Communication Technologies (CCT) Policy, International Chamber of commerce (ICC).

Presentations were made by the following:Mr. Sanjay Kaul, Vice-President, Multimedia Solutions, Ericsson; Mr. Houlin Zhao, Deputy Secretary-General of ITU; Mr. Ramon Garza, CEO Indigo Brainmedia, Mexico; Mr. Fouad Bajwa, Gerry Morgan Foundation, Pakistan; Ms. Gabrielle Gauthey, Senior Vice President Public Affairs, Alcatel-Lucent; and Mr. Kamal Quadir, CEO and Founder, CellBazaar Inc, Bangladesh

Lead discussants were Mr. Art Reilly, Senior Director, Strategic Technology Policy, CISCO Systems and Mr. Alan Greenberg, Consultant, Canada.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland, Ghana, France, South Africa, Malaysia and Israel, as well as by the observer for Canada.

Statements were also made by the following representatives from the civil society: Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Techniques Avancées and Interfaith International.

The Chairman made a closing remark and announced that a text of a draft proposal on “Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcome of WSIS had been circulated.

4th meeting

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels [2]

Joint CSTD-WHO-ITU-GAID panel discussion on “Delivering innovation in global public health”

The Commission began its joint CSTD-WHO-ITU-GAID panel discussion.

The Commission was informed that the summary of the panel would be transmitted to the High-level segment of the Economic and Social Council in July as an input to the 2009 Economic and Social Council Annual Ministerial Review.

The panel was moderated by Dr. Michael St. Louis, Chief Science Officer for Global Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Presentations were made by the following: Dr. Tawfik A.M. Khoja, Director General, Executive Board, Council of Health Ministers, Cooperation Council States, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Dr. Rim Ben Aissa, Tunisian Mothers’ Association; Dr. Ramesh Krishnamurthy, Center for Disease Control and Prevention; Dr. Patricia Mechaël, mHealth and Telemedicine Advisor, Millennium Villages Project; Mr. Sayavé Gnoumou, Nazoumki – Global Medical Network; Ms. Claire Thwaites, Head, UN Foundation & Vodafone Foundation Partnership; Mr. Hajo van Beijma, Co-Founder, Text to Change; Dr. Najeeb Mohamed Al Shorbaji, WHO; Dr. Charles Gardner, Coordinator, Global Forum for Health Research; and Mr. P. Håkansson, Ericsson AB.

Lead discussants were Mr. Denis Gilhooly, Principal Advisor, UN Office for Partnerships, Executive Director, Digital He@lth Initiative and Mr. Pierpaolo Saporito, President, OCCAM.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Oman, the Philippines and Ghana.

Statements were also made by the following representatives from the civil society: Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Techniques Avancées and IT for Change.

The Chairman made a closing remark and informed that on Thursday, the Commission will hear introduction of draft resolutions.