



14th Infopoverty World Conference

10th-11th April 2014, United Nations Headquarters, New York

“How the digital innovations can accelerate the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and help launch the Sustainable Development Goals”

THURSDAY 10TH APRIL 2014

9.00am – 10.00am: **Opening Session**

Navid Hanif, Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, UNDESA

Neelie Kroes, Vice President of the European Commission and Commissioner, Responsible for the European Digital Agenda

Report on Infopoverty Activities 2001-2014

Pierpaolo Saporito, President of OCCAM and Founder of the Infopoverty World Conference

10.00am – 11.15am: **First Session**

STRENGTHENING SOCIAL AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs) TO FIGHT POVERTY THROUGH THE CORRECT USE OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES

On the basis of the experience and the results that the conference has achieved following 2001, the first year of the MDGs launch, this session intends to open a discussion on how the digital innovations can be used to strengthen the social pillar of sustainable development and reduce poverty and inequalities through the use of new technologies

Chair: **Daniela Bas**, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development (DSPD) of the UN Dept. of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)

Carlos Garcia Gonzales, Ambassador Permanent Mission of El Salvador to UN

Jean-Francis Zinsou, Ambassador Permanent Representative of Benin to the UN, Chairperson of the UN Coordination Bureau for the Least Developed Countries Group

Masato Usui, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN

Amina Mohammed, UN Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Post-2015

Shanu SP Hinduja, Chairperson of the Hinduja Foundation U.S.

Karen Miller, Chief Knowledge and Communication Officer, Women's World Banking

11.15am – 12.30am: **Second Session**

NEW ICT SOLUTIONS FOR SDGs IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

As an example to achieve the tasks of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the e-MedMed Project, oriented to empower the capacity of the healthcare system at the national and local levels, through the use of ICTs on the southern shores of the Mediterranean, promoted by OCCAM-Infopoverty Program in the ambit of Union of Mediterranean, will be presented and discussed

Chair: **Neelie Kroes**, Vice President of the European Commission and Commissioner, Responsible for the European Digital Agenda

Toshihiko Murata, representative of OCCAM to the UN

Luigi de Vecchis, General Manager BI ICT Company

Luca Neri, Vice President Winfocus International

Mohammed Loulichki, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Kingdom of Morocco to UN

Antoine Tristan Mocilnikar, Director for Sustainable Development at the Union for the Mediterranean Mission, French Republic Presidency

Gamal El-Khatib, Consultant, Nile Badrawi Foundation for Education and Development (NBED)

Ibrahim O. Dabbashi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Libya to UN

Caleb Otto, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Palau to UN

12.30am – 1.30pm: **Lunch Break**

1.30pm – 2.30pm: Practitioner's Working Sessions

1- "Overview of Infopoverty Platform and Methodology"

2- "Wide Impact through Appropriate, Affordable and Accessible Tools"

This sessions chaired by **Umar Amjad**, Executive Director, Center for Next Generation Enterprises, and **Neelley Hicks**, Director, ICT4D Church Initiatives, UMCOM will focus on practical issues of vital importance to the developing countries

2.30pm – 4.00pm: Third Session

ICT STRATEGIES TOWARDS SDGs

This session will give an overview on the role of ICTs and the strategies in the achievement of SDGs in developing countries

Chair: **John Steffens, Ph.D.**, Provost Emeritus and Executive Director of Infopoverty Institute, University of Oklahoma

Abid Sheikh, Chief Information Officer, Nortec Software

Ken Kanda, Ambassador Permanent Representative of Ghana to the UN

Palitha T.B. Kohona, Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the UN

Robert St. Thomas, Smarter Solutions Delivery Executive, IBM Global Business Services

Liberato Bautista, Assistant Secretary General to UN, United Methodist Church

Alline Kabbatende, Senior Official of Rwanda Government

Ben Kazora, President of the Eastern Africa Diaspora Business Council (EADBC)

George Mulamula, Chief Executive Officer & Senior Government Advisor (ICT, Innovation & Tech Entrepreneurship), Tanzania

Sharon Brennen-Haylock, Director, FAO, Liason Office with the UN

Josh Glacken, Global Media Outreach

Timothy Anderson, President, World Computer Exchange

4.00pm – 6.00pm: Fourth Session

THE BEST ICT PRACTICES OF THE YEAR

This session will focus on what have been done in term of use of ICTs as a tool of development, introducing the most innovative solutions and the best practices elaborated by the United Nations system and the civil society.

Chair: **A.K. Abdul Momen**, Ambassador Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to UN

Gloria Starr Kins, Editor in Chief and Publisher, Society & Diplomatic Review

Tomislav Bogdanic, President, World Youth Bank Network

Jim Poisant, WITSA Secretary General

Steve Conboy, President ECO, US

Dennis Bamidale Sunday, Director General, National Center for Youth Development

Hewan Teka Legesse, President, Bianca Foundation, Ethiopia

Deepak K. Srivastava, PhD Professor Department of International Business and Marketing School of Business, Tecnologico De Monterrey, Mexico State Campus, Mexico

Adele Smithers, President, The Christopher D. Smithers Foundation, Inc.

Francesca Cesa Bianchi, Vice President for Institutional Relations, G3ict

Ying Zhang, President i-Medcare Technologies co, China

Yangong Chao, Chief of ICU and Emergency Department of Hua Xin Hospital, First Hospital of Tsinghua University

Giovanni Sesana, Ems Areu, Emergency Call Center Director, Milan, Italy

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9.30pm – 11.30pm: Fifth Session

SERVICES AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

In the light of the next challenges of the post-agenda 2015, it's now important to take into consideration which of the tools provided by the digital innovation are the most useful in order to achieve wellbeing, and which services are most suitable for the needs of disadvantaged communities. It is also urgent to define a model of sustainable development through e-governance, able to ensure food and health security, education and full employment in a context of freedom and democracy.

Chair: **Aishath Shiham**, Ph.D, Minister of Education of the Maldives

IN VIDEOCONFERENCE WITH EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT SEAT IN MILAN FOR EXPO 2015

Co-chair: Bruno Marasà, Head of the Information Office in Milan of the European Parliament

Ruggero Gabbai, President of the City Council for Expo 2015

Alberto Martinelli, Professor Emeritus, Università degli Studi of Milan

Francesco Laera, European Commission Regional Representation in Milan

Antonio Di Giulio, Head of Unit, Directorate for research & innovations, European Commission

Neelley Hicks, Director, ICT4D Church Initiatives, UMCOM

Sean McDonald, CEO, Frontline SMS

Matthew Kam, Senior Technology Strategist, American Institutes for Research (AIR)

Bruce Baikie, CEO, Inveneo corp

Wayan Vota, Senior Mobile Advisor, FHI360

Marc Abbyad, Product Manager, Medic Mobile, West Africa

Jenny Dyer, Helping Hands

David Neely, President, ACI International

Dwight Davidson, Professor, Oral Roberts University

Dr Amjad Umar, "eNabling Strategic ICTD Projects" & infopoverty-occam platform

Emmanuel Amos, Ceo PROGRAMOS Nigeria (West Africa)

Alline Kabbatende, ICT Policy and Strategy Development Analyst, Government of Rwanda

Terri Hasdorf, Vice President, Gov. Affairs, Convoy of Hope

Ben Kazora, President of the Eastern Africa Diaspora Business Council (EADBC)

Leila Centner, Chief Financial Officer, Highway Toll Administration

Jasmina Bojic, Founder and Executive Director UNAFF and UNAFF Traveling Film Festivals

Lola Poggi Goujon, CICT- ICFT NGO official Partner OF UNESCO

12.00pm – 12.40pm: **General Debate for the Infopoverty Program 2015 Action Plan**

Chair: **Pierpaolo Saporito**, President of OCCAM and Founder of the Infopoverty World Conference

12.00pm – 1.00pm: **Final Roundtable and Approval of the Final Declaration**

Chair: **Gyan Chandra Acharya**, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries , with the chairpersons of the previous sessions

1.00pm – 2.00pm: **Follow up Workshop**

These working session will provide an opportunity for the attendees to engage in detailed discussions and demonstrations in order to build a concrete cooperation able to help countries.

2.00pm – 4.00pm: **Special Event . IV Signs of Change Film Festival**

Special screening of movies on fighting poverty, organized by UNAFF in collaboration with OCCAM, CICT-UNESCO.

SELECTED MOVIES

VITAL VOICES: HAWA ABDI

(4 MIN) SOMALIA/USA

DIRECTOR: AARON KISNER

DUK COUNTY

(36 MIN) SOUTH SUDAN/USA

DIRECTOR: JORDAN CAMPBELL

K_SCAPES

10' (ITALY)

DIRECTOR/PRODUCER: SAM COLE

EXTREME BY DESIGN

(57 MIN) BANGLADESH/INDONESIA/USA

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