

WSIS+20

General Overview of ICANN's Initiatives

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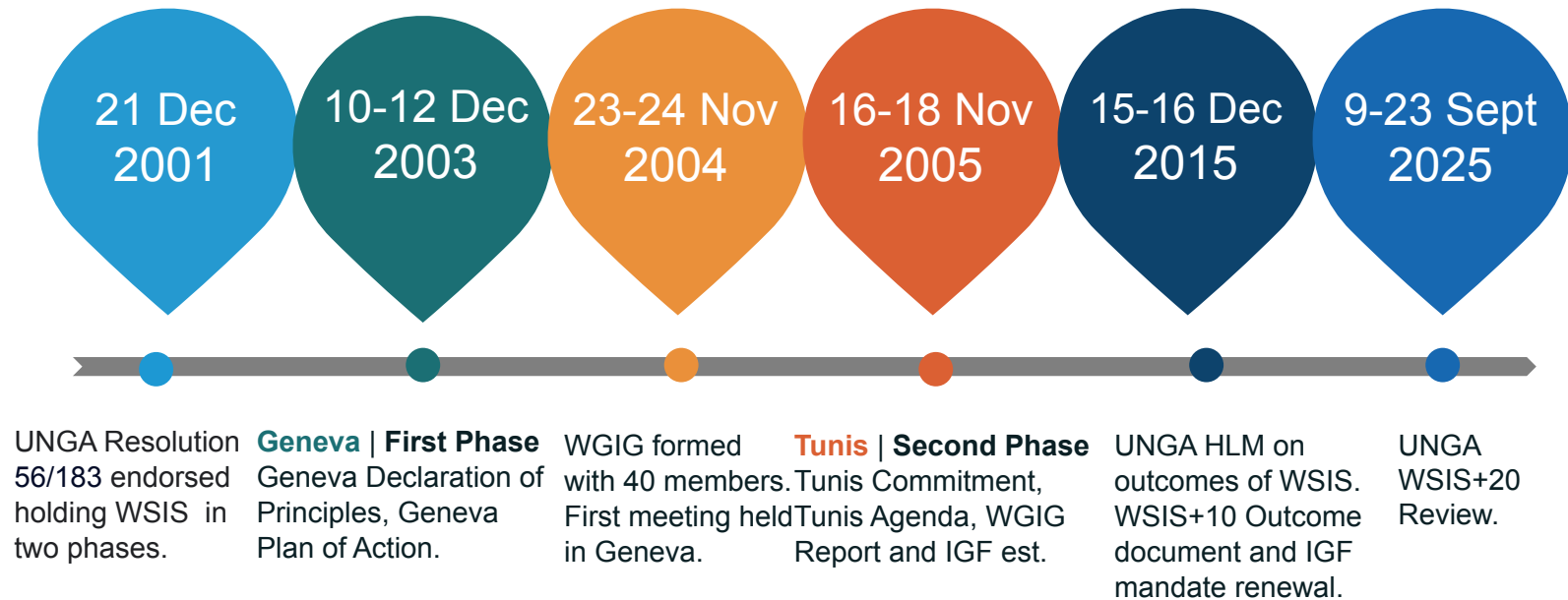
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Agenda

- **Background: WSIS Timeline**
- **WSIS Updates**
- **Campaign Purpose**
- **WSIS+20 Outreach Network**

Background: The WSIS Timeline



To Summarize

2025 will mark the 20th anniversary of the World Summit of the Information Society (WSIS). The WSIS process was pivotal in gaining U.N. Member States' endorsement to the multistakeholder model of Internet governance. The multistakeholder model is critical for the continued development of a secure and interoperable Internet. Continuation of WSIS will be determined by the U.N. General Assembly (UNGA) in 2025.

- GDC Zero Draft
 - The technical community is recognized as a separate stakeholder, and not part of any other stakeholder group.
 - The Multistakeholder model of Internet governance and the Internet Governance Forum are supported in several different instances.
 - The creation of the multilateral Digital Cooperation Forum is not supported.

WSIS Forum

- High Level Event (27-31 May)
 - Co-Organized by ITU, UNESCO, UNCTAD, and UNDP
 - Serves as platform for multistakeholder discussions
 - ICANN Workshop: Digital inclusivity - Connecting the next billion (29 May; 1000 Local)
- AI for Good Global Summit 2024 (30-31 May)

ICANN High Level Government Meeting

- High Level Event on June 9 in Kigali
 - Governments from all regions are welcome to attend. Please, reach out to your government and see if they have received the invitation.
 - Agenda
 - Session 1 - ICANN and the Multistakeholder Model
 - Session 2 - Cooperation and Governance
 - Session 3 - Towards a better Digital Inclusion
 - Session 4 - Support the Development of Meaningful Connectivity in Africa

WSIS+20 Outreach Network

Purpose

The WSIS+20 Outreach Network seeks to provide rationale for the U.N. Member States and the general public for why the WSIS+20 Review Process should result in (among other goals) preserving the current multistakeholder model of Internet governance and extending the IGF mandate.

Scope

- **Create a coordinated outreach network** leading up to the WSIS+20 review negotiations expected in Quarter 4, 2025
- **Involvement:** ICANN Org, ICANN Board, members of the broader ICANN community and other interested parties

Priorities

- **Community:** A network of stakeholders to share information and champion the objectives
- **Messaging:** A tailored communication plan that captures the essence of the network and supports preserving the MSM of IG
- **Engagement:** Deliver the message, which will enhance the visibility of ICANN's mission and its community work



WSIS+20 Outreach Network Mailing List

How to join:

- The mailing list facilitates communication and information exchange about the WSIS+20 Review Process.
- Subscription link - QR on the screen
- To contribute to the discussions, please complete the acknowledgement form at <https://go.icann.org/wsis20>



Interactive Session on the Global Digital Compact

- The WSIS+20 Outreach Network will host two interactive webinars to discuss the zero draft of the Global Digital Compact and its implications. The webinars will provide a space for stakeholders to share information and engage in discussions on how to preserve and continue to evolve the multistakeholder model of Internet governance.
- **Date & Times:**
 - 17 April at 1400 UTC
 - 18 April 01:00 UTC

