Written input to the WSIS+20 Review Zero Draft

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General comments on the Zero Draft			
- TCCM recognises there are a broad range of views in the international community on the issues in the Zero Draft, and considers that the Zero Draft is a promising start. - We commend the co-facilitators on their proactive engagement with the broader multistakeholder community and encourage them to continue this engagement over the course of this process. - As representatives of the companies, organizations and groups that operate the critical infrastructure and services at the heart of the Internet, we strongly support reaffirming the value and principles of multistakeholder cooperation and engagement, and welcome the recognition of the technical community as a distinct stakeholder group. We consider that the Draft could be further improved with the amendments set out below:			
Internet Governance			
103	We reaffirm the working definition of Internet governance in the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society as the development and application by governments, the private sector and civil society, in their respective roles, of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programmes that shape the evolution and use of the Internet.	We reaffirm the working definition of Internet governance in the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society as the development and application by governments, the private sector and civil society, in their respective roles, of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programmes that shape the evolution and use of the Internet. We recognize that Internet governance must continue to be global and multi-stakeholder with the full	As supporters of multistakeholder Internet governance, we support the recognition of all stakeholder groups. The additional text is inspired by paragraph 27 of the Global Digital Compact.

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		involvement of all stakeholders, including international organizations, academia and the technical community.	
104	We recognise that the management of the Internet as a global facility includes multilateral, transparent, democratic and multi-stakeholder processes, with the full involvement of Governments, the private sector, civil society, international organizations, technical and academic communities and all other relevant stakeholders in accordance with their respective roles and responsibilities. We reaffirm the principle agreed in the Geneva Declaration of Principles that the management of the Internet encompasses both technical and public policy issues and should involve all stakeholders and relevant intergovernmental and international organizations, within their respective roles and responsibilities, as set out in paragraph 35 of the Tunis Agenda. We reaffirm that effective Internet governance must preserve the open, free, global, interoperable, reliable and secure nature of the Internet, and reject models of state-controlled or fragmented Internet architectures.	None.	As supporters of multistakeholder Internet governance: - we support the recognition of all stakeholder groups - we support reaffirming the core elements of the Internet “open, free, global, interoperable, reliable and secure” - we support the rejection of models of state-controlled or fragmented Internet architectures.

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105	We recognise the need to promote greater participation and engagement in Internet governance discussions of Governments, the private sector, civil society, international organizations, the technical and academic communities and all other relevant stakeholders from all countries. Measures are needed to ensure more effective participation by stakeholders from developing countries and under-represented groups, particularly African countries, least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing states.	None	
106	We recognize that the Internet is a critical global facility for inclusive and equitable digital transformation. To fully benefit all, it must be open, global, interoperable, stable and secure.	We recognize that the Internet is a critical global facility for inclusive and equitable digital transformation. To fully benefit all, it must be free, open, global, interoperable, ~~stable~~ reliable and secure, and its governance should be multistakeholder to harness the contributions of Governments, the private sector, civil society, international organizations, academia and the technical community, and all other relevant stakeholders.	Multistakeholder Internet governance is the foundation of these characteristics of the Internet so should be mentioned. The additional text is inspired by paragraph 8k of the Global Digital Compact. We propose the replacement of "stable" with "reliable" to better align with the Global Digital Compact. We propose the inclusion of "free" to reflect the Global Digital Compact's commitment in paragraph 23 (d) to "refrain from imposing restrictions on the free flow of information and ideas that are inconsistent with obligations under international law (all SDGs)."

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107	We recognise that the open, interoperable nature of the Internet has underpinned the development of an extraordinary range of services and applications, reaching across the range of human society including governance, economy, development and rights. We reaffirm the need to promote international cooperation among all stakeholders to prevent, identify and address risks of fragmentation of the Internet.	None.	We support this paragraph as international cooperation amongst all stakeholders is critical to effective multistakeholder Internet governance and a free, open, global, interoperable, reliable and secure Internet.
108	We reaffirm that Internet governance should continue to follow the provisions set forth in the outcomes of the summits held in Geneva and Tunis, including in relation to enhanced cooperation.	We reaffirm that Internet governance should continue to follow the provisions set forth in the outcomes of the summits held in Geneva and Tunis, including in relation to enhanced cooperation among all stakeholders. We also reaffirm that Internet governance should be multistakeholder as recognised in the Global Digital Compact.	As supporters of multistakeholder Internet governance we believe this important recent agreement should be recognised.
109	We recall the work of the Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation, established by the Chair of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development as requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 70/125, to develop recommendations on how to further implement enhanced cooperation as envisioned in the Tunis Agenda.	None	We are comfortable with “recall” and would not support any proposal that would revive the WGEC process.
110	We reaffirm our commitment to improve the coordination of the activities of international	We recognize successful efforts, including by the multistakeholder community, ~~reaffirm~~	We believe the Internet Governance Forum National, Regional, Sub-regional, and Youth

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	and intergovernmental organisations and other stakeholders concerned with Internet governance.	~~our commitment~~ to improve the coordination of the activities of international and intergovernmental organisations and other stakeholders concerned with Internet governance, including the Internet Governance Forum and its ecosystem of more than 170 National, Regional, Sub-Regional and Youth Initiatives, and the NETmundial+10 Multistakeholder Statement. We reaffirm our commitment to ongoing improvement in coordination among all stakeholders.	Initiatives are a critical part of the multistakeholder Internet governance ecosystem and should be recognised here. We also believe the success of NETMundial+10 should be recognised.
111	We recognise that many new initiatives and opportunities have arisen since the World Summit that facilitate discussion and the sharing of experience and cooperation amongst governments and with all stakeholder groups. We call on Member States and other stakeholders, in their respective roles and responsibilities, to cooperate in order to achieve the vision of a people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society.	None	
112	We applaud the successful development of the Internet Governance Forum, established by the Secretary-General following the World Summit on the Information Society, which provides a unique platform for multistakeholder discussion of Internet governance issues,	We applaud the successful development of the Internet Governance Forum, established by the Secretary-General following the World Summit on the Information Society, which provides a unique platform for multistakeholder discussion of Internet governance issues,	The Global Digital Compact acknowledges the importance of the Internet Governance Forum as the primary multi-stakeholder platform for discussion of Internet governance issues. We believe this should be reflected here.

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	including emerging issues, as reflected in paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society.	including emerging issues, as reflected in paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society. Recalling paragraph 28 of the Global Digital Compact, we reaffirm the importance of the Internet Governance Forum as the primary multistakeholder platform for discussion of Internet governance issues.	
113	We welcome the evolution of the Internet Governance Forum from an annual meeting into an ecosystem that includes a wide range of intersessional and other activities. We particularly welcome the emergence of more than 170 National and Regional Internet Governance Forums, which have enhanced multistakeholder discussion of relevant issues in all continents, many sub-regions and a majority of Member States. We also welcome the establishment by the Secretary-General of the Forum's Leadership Panel.	We welcome the evolution of the Internet Governance Forum from an annual meeting into an ecosystem that includes a wide range of intersessional and other activities. We particularly welcome the emergence of more than 170 National, ~~and~~ Regional, and Sub-Regional Internet Governance Forums and Youth Initiatives, which have enhanced multistakeholder discussion of relevant issues in all continents, many sub-regions and a majority of Member States. We also welcome the establishment by the Secretary-General of the Forum's Leadership Panel. We recognize and support the multistakeholder agenda-setting role that the Internet Governance Forum and its ecosystem play in global, regional and local dialogues and decisions about Internet governance.	Recalling paragraph 28 of the Global Digital Compact, we consider that the Internet Governance Forum should be acknowledged as the primary venue for discussion of Internet governance issues, and disseminating outputs to various multi-lateral processes including WSIS Forum, UNCSTD and UNGIS.
114	We recognise the successful steps that have been taken since the ten-year review of the World Summit to improve the working modalities of the Internet Governance Forum,	We recognise the successful steps that have been taken since the ten-year review of the World Summit to improve the working modalities of the Internet Governance Forum,	This language reflects the Global Digital Compact, which is the most recent UN consensus on digital cooperation, ensuring

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	increase and broaden the participation of governments and other stakeholders, particularly from developing countries and under-represented groups, build stronger relationships with other digital discussion fora, and enable more substantive outcomes that can achieve greater impact. We call for these measures to continue and request the Forum to report annually on progress towards their implementation to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development.	increase and broaden the participation of governments and other stakeholders, particularly from developing countries and under-represented groups, build stronger relationships with other digital discussion fora, and enable more substantive outcomes that can achieve greater impact. We call for these measures to continue and request the Forum to report annually on progress towards their implementation to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development. Recalling paragraph 68 of the Global Digital Compact, we affirm the role of the Internet Governance Forum and its ecosystem of National, Regional, Sub-regional, and Youth Initiatives to advance implementation of the Compact. We also affirm the role of the Forum in the ongoing implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society.	integration between the two processes.
115	We decide that the Internet Governance Forum shall be made a permanent forum of the United Nations.	Recognizing the success, impact and potential of the Internet Governance Forum, we decide that the ~~Internet Governance~~ Forum shall be made a permanent forum of the United Nations.	We consider the success of the IGF and its future potential should be recognised.
116	We call upon the Forum to report on outcomes of its annual meetings and intersessional work to relevant UN entities and processes, and call, in particular, on the UN Group on Information	We call upon the Forum to report on and interface outcomes of its annual meetings and intersessional work to relevant UN entities and processes, and call, in particular, on the UN	Recalling paragraph 28 of the Global Digital Compact, we consider that the IGF should be acknowledged as the primary venue for facilitating cooperation between multilateral

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	Society and all relevant UN agencies, Action Line Facilitators, the Commission on Science and Technology for Development and the WSIS Forum to duly take Internet Governance Forum outcomes into account in their work and proceedings.	Group on Information Society and all relevant UN agencies, Action Line Facilitators, the Commission on Science and Technology for Development and the WSIS Forum to duly take Internet Governance Forum outcomes into account in their work and proceedings.	processes including WSIS Forum, UNCSTD and UNGIS. In addition, recalling paragraph 72(c) of the Tunis Agenda, we suggest the inclusion of the word 'interface' towards reiterating the purpose of the IGF to "Interface with appropriate intergovernmental organizations and other institutions on matters under their purview".
117	We further call upon the Forum to enhance its working modalities, including by reinforcing its intersessional work and supporting national and regional initiatives, and to apply innovative, open, inclusive, transparent and agile collaboration methods. We emphasize the need to broaden the participation of all relevant stakeholders, with particular attention to underrepresented communities as well as Governments and other stakeholders from developing countries.	We further call upon the Forum to enhance its working modalities, including by reinforcing its intersessional work and supporting national and regional initiatives, and to apply innovative, open, inclusive, transparent and agile collaboration methods. We emphasize the need to broaden the participation of all relevant stakeholders, with particular attention to underrepresented communities as well as Governments and other stakeholders from developing countries. We recognize the role of the Forum in multistakeholder agenda-setting and ensuring coherence between governance, development, and multistakeholder engagement.	We are committed to the Internet Governance Forum and believe its role in multistakeholder agenda-setting and ensuring coherence between governance, development and multistakeholder engagement should be recognized.
118	We call for the strengthening of the Secretariat of the Internet Governance Forum, to enable it to continue its development, implement further improvements and support the work of	We commit to ~~call for~~ the strengthening of the Secretariat of the Internet Governance Forum, to enable it to continue its development, implement further improvements and support	We consider that future stable and diverse funding for the Internet Governance Forum is a critical issue for the future of the Forum. We believe decisions about future Internet

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	National and Regional Internet Governance Forums and intersessional activities, and invite the Secretary-General to make proposals concerning future funding for the Forum.	the work of National and Regional Internet Governance Forums and intersessional activities. ~~and~~ We invite the Secretary-General to make proposals concerning future stable and diverse funding for the Forum in meaningful consultation with Governments, the private sector, civil society, international organizations, academia and the technical community, and all other relevant stakeholders.	Governance Forum funding should be made in consultation with all relevant stakeholders.
The development of the WSIS framework			
119	We note that the arrangements established in the Tunis Agenda provide a sound foundation for continued implementation of the vision and principles established by the Summit. However, experience during and since the Summit, together with the evolution of the Information Society, suggests the need for their further development to ensure that they continue to support the achievement of the Summit's vision and objectives and integration with the Global Digital Compact.	None.	We support integrating the Global Digital Compact and WSIS, without duplication.
122	We recognise the importance of ensuring alignment of implementation of the World Summit on the Information Society, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Pact for the Future and the Global Digital Compact, building synergies between them to ensure	None.	We support efforts to build synergies, without duplication.

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	their effective implementation and avoiding wasteful duplication of resources and decision-making processes. We recognise in particular the importance of enabling all countries and stakeholders to play a full part in achieving their fulfilment.		
127	We recall that the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society established a framework of eleven Action Lines, together with eight subsidiary Action Lines, concerned with different aspects of digital development. We recognise the value that many governments, have attributed to these Action Lines in supporting the formulation of national strategies and approaches to digital development.	None.	We support efforts to build synergies, without duplication. The Action Lines defined in the Geneva Plan of Action are broad, technology-neutral statements that remain suitable for their purpose of guiding the actions of all stakeholders in achieving the WSIS vision. Recognising this fact, we do not support reopening the existing Action Lines nor do we support the addition of any new Action Lines.
128	We call on Action Line facilitators to ensure close alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development when considering new work to implement the outcomes of the World Summit, according to their existing mandates and resources.	None.	We support efforts to build synergies, without duplication. The Action Lines defined in the Geneva Plan of Action are broad, technology-neutral statements that remain suitable for their purpose of guiding the actions of all stakeholders in achieving the WSIS vision. Recognising this fact, we do not support reopening the existing Action Lines nor do we support the addition of any new Action Lines.
129	We further request Action Line facilitators to develop implementation roadmaps for their Action Lines, including potential targets,	None.	We support efforts to build synergies, without duplication. The Action Lines defined in the Geneva Plan of Action are broad, technology-

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	indicators and metrics to facilitate monitoring and measurement, and to report on the outcomes of this review to the 30th session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development in 2027.		neutral statements that remain suitable for their purpose of guiding the actions of all stakeholders in achieving the WSIS vision. Recognising this fact, we do not support reopening the existing Action Lines nor do we support the addition of any new Action Lines.

The undersigned organisations associate themselves with the above written inputs to the WSIS+20 Zero Draft:

1. Amazon Registry
2. Associação DNS.PT (.PT)
3. .au Domain Administration Limited (auDA)
4. Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA)
5. Council of European National Top-Level Domain Registries (CENTR)
6. CZ.NIC (CZ Domain Registry)
7. DENIC eG
8. DNS Africa Ltd
9. DotAsia Organisation
10. EuroDNS S.A.
11. GoDaddy
12. Identity Digital Inc
13. Internet New Zealand Incorporated (InternetNZ, .nz)
14. Internet Society NGO (Armenian ccTLD, .am, .հայ)
15. Internetstiftelsen (The Swedish Internet Foundation, .se)
16. Japan Network Information Center (JPNIC)
17. Japan Registry Services Co., Ltd. (JPRS)

18. Kenya Network Information Centre(KeNIC)
19. Network Information Center Costa Rica (NIC Costa Rica)
20. Network Information Center Mexico / NIC Mexico
21. Network Information Center Panama / NIC-Panama
22. Nominet UK
23. Norid AS
24. Public Interest Registry (PIR)
25. Punktum dk A/S (.dk)
26. Register.si
27. Stichting Internet Domeinregistratie Nederland (SIDN)
28. Taiwan Network Information Center (TWNIC)
29. Tucows
30. ZA Registry Consortium (ZARC)