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GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM FOR REGULATORS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 8-9 DECEMBER 2003
International Conference Center Geneva (CICG), ROOM 1

PROGRAMME

**PROMOTING UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO ICTs:
PRACTICAL TOOLS FOR REGULATORS**

Registration:

- ✓ Sunday 7 December 2003 from 15:00 to 17:30
- ✓ Monday 8 December 2003 from 8:00 to 9:00

Ground floor (entrance), CICG

MONDAY 8 DECEMBER 2003
ITU-D SECTOR MEMBERS/REGULATORS' DAY

OPENING CEREMONY	9:00 – 10:15	<u>Keynote speakers:</u> ◆ Yoshio Utsumi, ITU Secretary-General ◆ Hamadoun I. Touré, Director, ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau ◆ Marc Furrer, State Secretary for WSIS and Director of OFCOM, Switzerland ◆ Muna Nijem, Chairperson for the GSR and Chairman of the Board and CEO of the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (TRC), Jordan
	10:15 – 10:30	<i>Coffee Break sponsored by Detecon International GmbH</i>
SESSION I	10:30 – 12:30	UNIVERSAL ACCESS: OBLIGATION OR OPPORTUNITY? <u>Moderator:</u> Mr. Emmanuel Olekambainei, Chief Executive and Coordinator, African Connection, South Africa ◆ ICT Market Overview Doreen Bogdan, Head a.i., Regulatory Reform Unit, ITU ◆ Universal Access Best Practices Overview Mandlesilo Msimang, Senior Expert, South Africa <u>Interactive Panel Discussion:</u> Identifying best practices <i>(Private Sector representatives, Regulators, and Policy Makers)</i> - Axel Busch, Vice President, Detecon International GmbH - Ahmed Toumi, Director General and CEO, International Telecommunications Satellite Organisation (ITSO) - Luiz Guilherme Schymura de Oliveira, President, ANATEL, Brazil - Willy Jensen, Director General, Norwegian Post and Telecommunications Authority (NPTA) - D.P.S. Seth, Member, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) - Abulrahman A. Al-Fehaid, Chairman, Communications & IT Commission, Saudi Arabia - Alvin Lezama, Director General, CONATEL, Venezuela
	12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
SESSION II	14:00 – 15:30	MARKET REFORM: A TOOL FOR ACHIEVING UNIVERSAL ACCESS <u>Moderator:</u> Kathleen Q. Abernathy, Commissioner, FCC, USA ◆ Filling the market efficiency gap: lessons learned from the mobile sector and how to identify the true access gap Sonja Oestmann, Senior Manager, INTELECON Research & Consultancy Ltd. ◆ The Case for Universal Service Funds and Minimum Subsidy Auctions Edgardo Sepúlveda, Senior Telecommunications Economist, McCarthy Tétrault LLP <u>Interactive Panel Discussion:</u> Identifying best practices <i>(Private sector representatives, Regulators, and Policy makers)</i> - Andrew D'Uva, Vice President and Associate General Counsel, New Skies Satellites NV - Erkki Ormala, Director, Technology Policy, Nokia Group - Neil Gough, Director International Relations Group, Vodafone Group Serv. Ltd. - Moustapha Ould Cheikh Mohamedou, President, Autorité de Régulation, Mauritanie - Ernest Ndukwe, Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) - Edwin San Román Zubizarreta, Chairman of the Board of OSIPTEL, Peru
	15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee Break sponsored by Lockheed Martin Corporation</i>

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SESSION III

15:45 – 17:30

PROMOTING PUBLIC ACCESS TO ICTs

Moderator: Armi Jane R. Borje, Commissioner, National Telecommunications Commission (NTC), Philippines

◆ **Public Access Best Practices and Principles**

David N. Townsend, President, DNTA

◆ **How to Encourage Entrepreneurial Approaches to Public Access?
Do Alternative Technologies Hold the Answer?**

Michael Best, Research Scientist, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Media Lab.

Interactive Panel Discussion: Identifying best practices

(Private sector representatives, Regulators, and Policy makers)

- Christian Delebarre, Vice President, Corp. International Public Affairs, France Telecom Group
- Ashok Jhunjhunwala, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India
- MD. Rezaul Quader, Director, Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC)
- Orlando Jorge Mera, Presidente del Consejo Directivo, Instituto Dominicano de las Telecomunicaciones (INDOTEL), Dominican Rep.
- Alaa Fahmy, Executive President, National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority, Egypt
- Patrick Masambu, Executive Director, Uganda Communications Commission, Uganda

18:00

*Cocktail sponsored by **Nokia***

TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER 2003 REGULATORS' DAY

SESSION IV

09:00-10:30

IDENTIFYING REGULATORY PRINCIPLES FOR ACHIEVING UNIVERSAL ACCESS

Moderator: Muna Nijem, Chairman and CEO of TRC

◆ **Roundtable Discussion**

- Kathleen Q. Abernathy, Commissioner, FCC, USA
- Pradip Baijal, Chairman, TRAI, India
- Audrey Baudrier, ITU-D Study Group 1, Rapporteur for Question 7-1/1 on Universal Access
- John R.K. Tandoh, Ag. Director General, National Communications Authority, Ghana
- Mohammed Alghatam, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Telecommunications Regulatory Authority, Bahrain
- Ernest Ndukwe, Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC)
- George Alexandrov, Chairman, Communications Regulation Commission (CRC), Bulgaria
- Gustavo Peña, Secretary General, REGULATel, Colombia
- Luiz Guilherme Schymura de Oliveira, President, ANATEL, Brazil
- Shahzada Alam Malik, Chairman, Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA), Pakistan

10:30-10:45

*Coffee Break sponsored by **Vodafone Group Services Ltd.***

SESSION V

10:45-12:00

FROM PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE: COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS PROMOTING ICTS

Moderator: John Alden, Vice President, Freedom Technologies Inc.

- ◆ Bhutan - A case Study on the use of VoWLAN for rural communications
Tensin Tobgyal, Rural Communications Analyst, ITU
- ◆ H. E. Mr. Surapong Suebwonglee, Minister of Information and Communication
Technology, Thailand
- ◆ Modibo Camara, Director, Telecommunications Regulatory Committee, Mali
- ◆ Ashok Jhunjunwala, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India

12:00-13:30

Lunch

SESSION VI

13:30 – 15:30

REGULATORY DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Moderator: David Satola, Senior Counsel, Legal Department ,World Bank

◆ **Dispute Settlement: Best Practices Overview**

◆ **How Can Regulators Foster Consensus?**

**The Case for Alternative Dispute Resolution and Practical Experiences in
Interconnection Dispute Settlement: The Global Regulators' Exchange (G-REX) Case
Studies**

Hank Intven, Partner, McCarthy Tétrault LLP
Robert Bruce, Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton

Interactive Panel Discussion: Identifying best practices
(Regulators, and Policy makers)

- M.O. Tamasiga, Director, Market Development and Analysis, Botswana Telecommunications Authority (BTA) Botswana
- Jean-Louis Beh Mengue, Directeur général, Agence de Régulation des Télécommunications (ART), Cameroon
- Jorgen Abild Andersen, Director General, National IT and Telecom Agency (NITA), Denmark
- Pradip Baijal, Chairman, TRAI, India
- Shigeki Suzuki, Director of International Economic Affairs División, Telecommunications Bureau, MPHPT, Japan
- Massoun Shocair, Commissioner, TRC, Jordan
- Swee Hoe Toh, General Manager and Head of the Monitoring and Enforcement Division, MCMC, Malaysia
- Saltuk Duzyol, Telecommunications Expert, Telecommunications Authority, Turkey

15:30-15:45

*Coffee Break – **GREX DEMO***

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SESSION VII

15:45 – 17:00

REGULATING FOR THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

Moderator: Alison Birkett, International Affairs Unit, European Commission

- ◆ **ITU Latin American Case Studies on Convergence and the Information Society**
Gustavo Tamayo, Partner, José Lloreda Camacho & Co., Colombia

Interactive Panel Discussion: Identifying best practices
(Regulators, and Policy makers)

- Robert Horton, Acting Chair, Australian Communications Authority (ACA)
- Jose Leite Pereira Filho, Commissioner, ANATEL, Brazil
- Carlos Eduardo Balen y Valenzuela, Commissioner, Comisión de Regulación de Telecomunicaciones, Colombia
- Edvins Karnitis, Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission of Latvia
- Peter Fischer, Deputy Director, OFCOM, Switzerland

17:00-17:30

CLOSING CEREMONY and Recommendations For Future Work