



**26 August 2025**  
**APT WEB DIALOGUE**

**Context**

The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) is a United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)-level process focused on global ICT governance and development, covering topics such as Internet governance, the communications enabling environment, digital transformation and development, universal and meaningful connectivity, ICT infrastructure, media, capacity building, and emerging ICTs.

UN Member States, including APT Members, will consider the 20-year review of the WSIS (WSIS+20) at a High-Level Meeting (HLM) in New York in December 2025. The WSIS+20 process follows the original two WSIS HLMs in 2003 and 2005, and its 10-year review in 2015.

This webinar will build on the webinar held on 17 February 2025 and provide an update to APT Members and other interested APT stakeholders of progress so far. This will include discussing the elements paper released by the United Nations co-facilitators (Kenya, Albania), the establishment of the informal multistakeholder sounding board, and non-papers which have been released by countries and other stakeholders. Regional perspectives will also be shared throughout.

The webinar will support the participation of APT Members in the UN process in New York, including through capacity building and identifying opportunities to progress the region's digital development and transformation priorities through the WSIS+20 process, ahead of the release of the zero draft and negotiations commencing.

**Indicative Agenda**

<b>Agenda Item</b>		<b>Possible Speakers</b>
5 minutes	Welcome from APT Secretary General	APT Secretary General
15 minutes	Update on the process so far, readout of IGF, WSIS Forum HLE and ITU processes	Adrian Wan, Internet Society and Mina Seonmin Jun, APAC Vice-Chair ITU CWG WSIS&SDGs
30 minutes	<a href="#">The elements paper, feedback received, the process ahead</a>	Representatives of the UN Co-Facilitators (Kenya, Albania)
10 minutes	WSIS+20 <a href="#">multistakeholder sounding board</a> to share their reflections and opportunities for the APAC region	1-2 representatives of the IMSB.
30 minutes	Regional perspectives on digital development and WSIS+20	Indonesia   Philippines   Papua New Guinea   Japan <b>Moderator:</b> William Lee, Australia
20 minutes (5 minutes each)	Presentations from governments/stakeholders who have prepared non-papers	Jorge Cancio (Switzerland)   Ian Sheldon (Australia)   Angela Wibawa (ICANN)
5 minutes	Next Steps and Closing	William Lee   Russell Woruba