36'th session WGET - ICT Humanitarian Innovation Forum
29th - 30th April 2015 – Jumeirah Emirates Towers, Dubai
AGENDA

Wednesday, 29 April 2015

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)
08:00 - 09:00	Coffee and Registration	
09:00 - 09:10	Welcome	Representative of UAE Government
09:10 - 09:20	Opening of the 36'th WGET Forum	Gwi-Yeop Son Director, Corporate Programmes, UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
09:20 - 09:40	Satellite and the Transformation of the Humanitarian System	Samer Halawi CEO, Thuraya
09:40 - 10:00	Satellite, Critical Infrastructure for First Response	Masood M. Sharif Mahmood CEO, Yahsat
10:00 - 10:20	ETC 2020 Strategy	Jakob Kern CIO & Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC) Chair, UN World Food Programme (WFP)
10:20 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 11:40	Connected Societies and the Digital Transformation: The Impact on Humanitarian Response	Rutger Reman President and Head of Customer Unit Industry and Society, Middle East and Africa Region, Ericsson
11:40 - 12:20	Prepositioning Relationships and Technology to Better Communicate with Communities in Disaster Response	Angela Rouse, Senior Programme Manager, CDAC Network Secretariat Mike Adams, International Coordinator, First Response Radio Gil Arevalo, Communications with Communities Coordinator, UN OCHA
12:20 - 13:50	Lunch	
13:50 - 14:20	Multi-channel Mobile Crisis Response Platforms: Lessons Learned in the Middle East	Yazeed Sheqem Director of Business Development, MENA & Africa, Souktel Inc.
14:20 - 15:00	Humanitarian Connectivity Charter: Mobile Industry Commitment to Supporting Affected Populations	Kyla Reid, Head, Disaster Response, GSMA Alexandra Sicotte-Levesque, Global Coordinator, Communications with Communities, UN OCHA Karim Khoja, CEO, Roshan Telecom Ramon Isberto, Head, Public Affairs, Smart Communications
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee Break	
15:30 - 16:30	Communicating with Communities: Social Data and Predictives for Humanitarian Response	Heather Leson Program Manager, Social Innovation, Qatar Computing Research Institute (QCRI)
16:30 - 17:10	Partnerships: Achieving the ETC 2020 Strategy	Gianluca Bruni, Chief, ETC, UN WFP
17:10 - 17:20	Close of Day 1	Patrick Gordon WGET Chair, UN OCHA
17:30	Group Photo and Reception hosted by Thuraya and Yahsat	

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09:00 - 09:10	Welcome Day 2	Patrick Gordon WGET Chair, UN OCHA
09:10 - 09:40	Designing Future Solutions, Listening to the Most Important Stakeholder	Abi Weaver Global Technology Project, American Red Cross
09:40 - 10:40	Digital Aid: Biometric Identity Management and Electronic Cash Transfer	Mr. Doug Greene, CIO, UN Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Mr. Jakob Kern, CIO & ETC Chair, UN WFP
10:40 - 11:20	Coffee Break	
11:20 - 11:50	From Haiyan to Hagupit: Insights from a Year of Building Data Preparedness and Resilience Networks in the Philippines	Andrew Schroeder, Director of Research and Analysis, Direct Relief Justin Richmond, Mission Specialist, Palantir Technologies
11:50 - 12:20	World Humanitarian Summit: Defining the Future Humanitarian Response	Matthew Hochbrueckner Business Partnership Adviser, UN OCHA
12:20 - 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 - 14:00	Communication Technology: Challenges and Opportunities for Humanitarian Security	Raquel Vazquez Researcher, European Interagency Security Forum (EISF)
14:00 - 14:30	Connecting Survivor Communities	Harmony Mabrey, Senior Operations Manager, Microsoft Disaster Response Tony Surma, CTO, Microsoft Disaster Response
14:30 - 15:00	Innovative Communication Systems for Situational Awareness during Crises	Alireza Khosrow Government Cloud Director, Alcatel-Lucent France
15:00 - 15:40	Coffee Break	
15:40 - 16:10	Citizen Engagement During a Crisis	Tom Malanfant CSR Product Manager, Motorola Solutions
16:10 - 16:40	Disruptive Innovation: Train Wrecks on the Right Track	Edward Happ Global CIO and Head of ISD, International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
16:40 - 16:50	Wrap up	Gwi-Yeop Son Director, Corporate Programmes, UN OCHA
16:50 - 17:00	Closing	Patrick Gordon WGET Chair, UN OCHA
17:00	Refreshments and networking	