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Workshop on ICT and persons with disabilities

AGENDA

Kram Exhibitions Park, Tunis, Tunisia, 16 November 2005
Room Zaghuan

Wednesday, 16 November 2005			
09:00 Opening Session Chair: Abdul Waheed Khan, Assistant Director General for Communication and Information, UNESCO			
10'	Khadija Ghariani, State Secretary for Information Technology, Ministry of Technologies of Communication Representative of Ms Leïla Ben Ali, First Lady of Tunisia		
10'	Hiroshi Kawamura WSIS Civil Society Bureau Disability Focal Point and DAISY Consortium Representative for WSIS		
09:30 Introduction			
10'	Opening Remarks Abdul Waheed Khan Assistant Director General for Communication and Information, UNESCO		
20'	Keynote Address Luis Gallegos, Ambassador of Ecuador in United States Former Chairman, "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral Convention on Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities"		
Theme 1 - Investing in inclusive knowledge societies for persons with disabilities: worldwide policies, standards and indicators			
10:00 Session 1 Status of "ICT & disabilities" policies worldwide (WSIS Action Plan: Chapter C3, paragraph 10-c and g and Chapter C4, paragraph 11-c) Moderator: Elizabeth Longworth, UNESCO and Saïda Agrebi, ATM			
15'	Overview: Asian perspective on mobility disabilities – ICTs and policies	Anuradha Mohit, India	Policies and Projects addressing needs of people with mobile disabilities in Asia
15'	Overview: African perspective on visual impairments – ICTs and policies	Tamru E. Belay, Ethiopia	Adaptive Technology Center for Blind
15'	Overview: Latin American perspective on hearing impairments – ICTs and policies	Windyz Ferreira, Project Coordinator, Brazil	Projects 'B. Sc. for Deafs' and "Educating for diversity in MERCOSUR"

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15'	Overview: Arab States perspective on speech impairments	Bellelahom Lotfi, Directeur de l'Institut National de Promotion des Handicapés, Tunisia	Policies and Projects addressing needs of people with speech disabilities in Arab States
15'	Overview: ICT & disabilities policies: Europe perspective for cognitive disabilities	Gerry Ellis, European Disability Forum, EDF, Ireland	Policies and Projects for people with cognitive disabilities
11:25	End of session 1		
11:35	Session 2 ICT Showcase – Solutions for Persons with Disabilities (WSIS Action Plan: Chapter C3, paragraph 10-c and g and Chapter C4, paragraph 11-c) Moderator: Mohammed H. S. Al-Turaiki, MERCH and Claudio Menezes, UNESCO		
15'	Libraries Serving Persons with Disabilities: an Overview	Misako Nomura, Japan	IFLA Libraries Serving Disadvantaged Persons Section and Japanese Society for Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities
15'	FOSS for Persons with Disabilities	Faouzi Kardous, France	International Solidarity Network "Handicap and New Technologies"
15'	Libraries for the visually impaired: Can Tiflolibros experience be adapted to other language communities?	Pablo Lecuona, Executive Director, Argentina	Tiflolibros, Argentina
15'	Autism and Information and Communication Support	Stephen Shore, USA, Hatsue Suda and Yoshiko Abe, Japan	Autism Serving Association of Massachusetts (MAAP) - National Rehabilitation Center for Persons with Disabilities (NRCD) Research Institute
13:00	End of session 2		
13:00	End of the Workshop		