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Connectivity and social inclusion

FINAL AGENDA FOR THE VIRTUAL DEFT MEETING 12th April 2021, 12.00-15.30 PM, CET

Context

The COVID-19 crisis underscored the essential nature of connectivity in facilitating interactions between people, organisations and machines, and in enabling the use of connected devices in critical contexts, including health, education, manufacturing and transport. It is, and increasingly will be a key element in injecting resilience into our economies and societies. The G20 Multi Stakeholder event on connectivity and social inclusion in 2021 aims to create a fertile environment where to discuss about the potential of innovation, inclusion and growth unlocked by the connectivity diffusion.

Agenda

Meeting and session moderator: Giorgio Tosi Beleffi, Ministry of Economic Development ITALY

12.00-12.20 - Plenary

Giancarlo Giorgetti - Minister of Economic Development ITALY Vittorio Colao - Minister of technological innovation and digital transition ITALY David Ringrose – Deputy Director European Commission Badr Al Garni – Assistant Deputy Minister SAUDI ARABIA

12.30-13.20 - Session 1: Fostering innovation, growth and inclusion by connectivity

 Hovig Etyemezian – Head of innovation, growth and inclusion by connectivity UNHCR "Displaced populations and communities in the connected society"
 Thomas Koutsky – Director at U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) USA "Digitalization of people as public and private growth factor"

Ayumi Fujino – Director at UNIDO "A perspective on women in digital"

Alberta Pelino – Chair of Y20 Italy 2021

"A new role for education and training in an always connected world"

Open discussion: Sharing of experiences by G20 members and NSOs

13.20-14.20 - Session 2: Tackling global challenging by connectivity

Dirk Pilat – Deputy Director OECD "Innovation and digitalization as response to Covid19 outbreak"
Fumihide Kojima – Director General of ICT Testbed Research and Development Promotion Center NICT JAPAN "Ultra broadband connectivity for research and education"
Anna Byhovskaya – Senior policy advisor at TUAC on behalf of L20 "How the digital revolution is changing the labour market"
Boutheina Guermazi – Director Digital Development Partneship WB "Enabling digital growth for a resilient digital society"
Valentina Carlini – Digital Transformation Manager B20 "How the digital transformation can shape the future to respond to global challenge"

Open discussion: Sharing of experiences by G20 members and NSOs

14.20-14.40 Break

14.40-15.20 - Session 3: Sharing best practices on connectivity for all

 Martin Olmos – Undersecretary of Information and Communication technologies ARGENTINA "Connecting rural and remote areas as universalization factor of access to digital services"
 Bogdan Doreen – Director of the ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau "Connect to recover initiative"
 Marco Bellezza – Ceo at INFRATEL ITALIA S.p.A. ITALY "Implementing ultra BB wireless and wired connectivity in Italy"

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15.20-15.30 Closing remarks

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