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Digital World Forum on Accessible and Inclusive ICT

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GOALS

- Works towards reducing the digital divide and social exclusion
- Assess existing low-cost technologies, their potential, their challenges
- Build roadmaps with stakeholders to leverage access to ICT in Developing Countries
- Create the conditions for their future successful implementation,
- Pave the way for strategic partnerships in view of developing interoperable solutions

NEEDS & ACTIONS

To effectively bridge the Digital Divide

- To establish a dialog with equipment manufacturers and researchers
- Not to miss major technological evolutions such as the mobile/laptop convergence.
- Not to miss the inputs & requirements from Governments for their social inclusive policies.
- Conversely for Governments (in particular from Developing Countries) not to miss technological partnerships and to avoid roadmap errors.
- Not to miss the inputs & requirements from Educators & Civil Society with whom the industry has very little contact.
- A sustainable Forum, building on the initial impetus and financial support of the FP7 [Digital World Forum](#) support action.

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