The 5th Internet Governance Forum
UNESCO's Open Forum
16 September, 16:15-18:15, Room 2

Organizer: UNESCO
Moderator: Mr Jānis Kārkliņš, Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information, UNESCO

Description:
As UNESCO organized Freedom of Expression related workshops, this Open Forum will be dedicated to other key IGF topics, notably multilingualism in cyberspace, open access to scientific information, open educational resources, and accessibility for marginalized groups. In addition, UNESCO will take this opportunity to announce new initiatives and share experiences with participants.

The interactive panel format will start with brief presentations from experts, followed by a moderated discussion with participants.
   Opening by Mr Jānis Kārkliņš

   Introductory remarks
   -Mr Nitin Desai, Chair of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) will speak about:
   The future of the IGF and UNESCO's opportunities
   -Mr Rod Beckstrom, CEO ICANN, on cooperation with UNESCO, next steps

   1. **Multilingualism in cyberspace with the special focus on IDN**
      Proposed speakers:
      - Mr Baher Esmat, Manager, Regional Relations – Middle East, ICANN
      - Mr Daniel Pimienta, President of FUNREDES (Fundacion Redes y Desarrollo) Saint Domingue - République Dominicaine

   Open discussion

   2. **Open access to scientific information and open educational resources**
      Proposed speakers:
      - Mr Indrajit Banerjee, Director, Information Society Division, Communication and Information Sector, UNESCO
      - Mr. Abel Packer, Director of the SciELO.org Open Access (OA) initiative

   Open discussion

   3. **An initiative on developing inclusive information policies using ICTs in education for persons with disabilities**
      Proposed speakers:
      - Mr Axel Leblois, Executive Director, the Global Initiative for Inclusive Information and Communications Technologies 9G3ict), An Advocacy Initiative of the United Nations Global Alliance for ICT and Development
      - Dr. Anja Kovacs, Centre for Internet and Society (India)

   Open discussion