PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE ICCP COMMITTEE AND ITS WORKING PARTIES

12-13 December 2013

Following the consultation process which started in October last year, and based on the input received from delegations, the Chair of the Committee has put forward a proposal for concluding the review of the Committee’s mandate and substructure which is available under the code DSTI/ICCP(2013)17.

This document is an annex to the proposal by the Chair and includes the proposed revisions to the terms of reference for the Committee and its Working Parties.

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### ICCP FAMILY CURRENT MANDATES

**Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy (ICCP Committee)**

**Date of creation:** 1st April 1982

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[SG(2008)99/FINAL] and to the OECD Report on Shaping Policies for the Future of the Internet Economy which was welcomed by Ministers, and to the leading role to be played by the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy in the follow up to the Seoul Ministerial meeting;

all stakeholders in [Internet] [digital] policy development processes, including governments, international organisations, business, civil society, organised labour, the Internet technical community, and academia;


Recognising that the strength and dynamism of the [Internet] [digital] economy depend on effective access by users and innovators to communication infrastructure and services through high speed networks, on openness, and on user confidence; and that any policy making associated with the [Internet] [digital] economy must promote openness and be grounded in respect for human rights and the rule of law;

Having regard to the recommendations of the In-depth Evaluation of the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy [C(2010)33 and C/M(2010)9, Item 103];

Having regard to the proposal of the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy regarding the revision of its mandate, including that it be renamed the “Committee on [Internet] [Digital] Economy Policy” [C(2013)xx];

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countries and non-Members.

2. The Committee shall, in particular, examine policy issues arising from the development and increasing use of the Internet and ICTs, and develop policies to:

   a) Support innovation, investment, and competition in ICTs and related areas across the economy and society, and encourage creativity in the development and use of the Internet and ICT goods and services as a leading area of innovation;
   b) Facilitate convergence of digital networks, devices, applications and services, and promote ubiquitous access to ICT networks and services, calling the attention of Member governments to the major implications of such developments;
   c) Contribute to strengthening the resilience and security of information systems and networks as well as the protection of privacy to enhance trust in the use of Internet and ICT goods and services;
   d) Foster co-operation among Member countries and facilitate the development, and, as appropriate, the co-ordination of their policies at the national and international levels;
   e) Promote exchange of experience among Member countries in the information, computer and communication policy areas, including the development of indicators to measure the information society.

   contributing to mitigate environmental pressures and improving health outcomes and the quality of life in general.

2. The Committee shall [also] be responsible for strengthening cooperation in these areas among Member countries and with Partners (i.e. non-Members), consistent with the Committee’s global relations strategy, with a view to fostering exchange of experience and co-ordination of policies at the national and international levels.

3. The Committee shall, in particular:

   i) Develop and promote a coherent policy and regulatory framework which supports competition, investment and innovation across the [Internet] [digital] economy, and in particular:

       a) Facilitate convergence of and ubiquitous access to broadband networks, services, applications and devices;
       b) Encourage creativity in the development, offer, and use of the Internet and ICT goods and services, including applications, digital content and data; and
       c) Strengthen trust in the [digital] [internet] economy, including by managing digital security risks to economic and social activities, and protecting privacy.

   ii) Develop in cooperation with other OECD Committees analyses and policies that leverage the potential of ICTs, in particular the Internet and data analytics, to foster sustainable growth and inclusiveness through enhanced entrepreneurship, ICT skills and employment, and better health, wellness and ageing.

   iii) Inform policy-making for the [digital] [Internet] economy, and in particular:

       a) Review and analyse emerging technologies, applications, goods and services, and call attention to their economic and social effects on market structures, regulation, behaviours, etc.;
       b) Analyse the economic and social impacts of, and drivers to, the development and use of ICTs, in
3. The Committee shall determine the strategic orientations of its subsidiary bodies, and receive regular reports from them to ensure the coordination of their activities in furthering these orientations.

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II. Co-ordination arrangements

5. The Committee shall maintain close working relationships with other relevant bodies within the OECD to ensure complementarity of efforts and effective use of resources. In the conduct of its work, the Committee will also, as appropriate, draw on the views and expertise of non-Members, international organisations and non-governmental stakeholders, and work with business, trade unions, civil society, and the Internet technical community within a framework of co-operation that promotes mutual understanding and participation.

B. The mandate of the Committee on [Digital] [Internet] Economy Policy shall remain in force until 31 December 2018.

(unchanged) 4. The Committee shall determine the strategic orientations of its subsidiary bodies, and receive regular reports from them to ensure the co-ordination of their activities in furthering these orientations.

c) Develop measurement tools and methodologies, including using the Internet as a source for statistics, to strengthen the evidence base for the [Internet] [digital] economy and to assess its contribution to the whole economy.
**Working Party on Communication Infrastructures and Services Policy (WPCISP)**  
*Date of creation: 24th March 1988*

“**The mandate of the Working Party on Communication Infrastructures and Services Policy (WPCISP) shall be:**

1. To explore the different goals and strategies of member countries in the area of communication infrastructures and services in order to promote a common understanding of policies and increase international co-operation.

2. To promote exchanges of experience and best practice among member countries and review global developments in the field of communication infrastructures and services policy, taking into account the objectives of the ICCP Committee.

3. To analyse the economic and social implications of changing communication market structures, including the Internet and the convergence between the broadcasting and telecommunication sectors, the development of next-generation networks and increased broadband access.

4. To analyse international and trade issues in communications and information services, and promote co-operation in this field.

5. The Working Party shall maintain close working relationships with other relevant bodies within the OECD to ensure complementarity of efforts and effective use of resources. In the conduct of its work, the Working Party will also, as appropriate, draw on the views and expertise of non-members, international organisations and non-governmental stakeholders, and work with business, trade unions, civil society, and the Internet technical community within a framework of co-operation that promotes mutual understanding and participation.

6. The Working Party will undertake work as requested by the ICCP Committee, and submit on a

**Taking into account the objectives of the Committee on [Digital] [Internet] Economy Policy, the mandate of the Working Party on Communication Infrastructures and Services Policy (WPCISP) shall be:**

1. To explore the different goals and analyse the strategies of Members and, as appropriate, Partners (i.e. non members) in the area of communication infrastructures and services in order to promote a common understanding of policies and increase international co-operation.

2. To promote exchanges of experience and best practice among Members and with Partners and review global developments in the field of communication infrastructures and services policy, and develop tools for measurement and international comparison.

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| The mandate of the Working Party on Communication Infrastructures and Services Policy shall remain in force until 31 December 2013, unless the ICCP Committee decides otherwise.” | The mandate of the Working Party shall remain in force until 31 December 2016, unless the Committee on [Internet] [Digital] Economy Policy decides otherwise. |
Working Party on the Information Economy (WPIE)
Date of creation: 20th October 1993


“The mandate of the Working Party on the Information Economy (WPIE) shall be:

The Working Party on the Information Economy (WPIE) shall be responsible for:

1. Analysing policy frameworks that foster creativity and innovation; strengthen economic growth, productivity, sustainable development, employment and social benefits; contribute to tackling global challenges in areas such as the environment, health care, and ageing societies; and expand international economic development, in conjunction with high-speed information and communications networks and the growth of the information society.

2. Reviewing, analysing and evaluating economic and social impacts of the development, diffusion, application and use of information and communication technologies, products and services, in areas including electronic business and digital content, and undertaking related policy reviews.

3. Identifying factors that encourage the use of information and communications technologies, products and services, and their applications, in the economy and society; and developing tools for measurement and international comparison.

4. The Working Party shall maintain close working relationships with other relevant bodies within the OECD to ensure complementarity of efforts and effective use of resources. In the conduct of its work, the Working Party will also, as appropriate, draw on the views and expertise of non-members, international organisations and non-governmental stakeholders, and work with business, trade unions, civil society, and the Internet technical community within a framework of co-operation that promotes mutual understanding and participation.

5. Undertaking work as requested by the Committee and submitting the results for review on a regular basis, taking into account the objectives of the ICCP
Committee.

6. Disseminating results and analysis produced by the Working Party; and where appropriate developing policy guidance and recommendations.

| The mandate of the Working Party on the Information Economy shall remain in force until 31 December 2013, unless the ICCP Committee decides otherwise.” |
| Proposal not to extend the mandate. |
# Working Party on Information Security and Privacy (WPISP)

**Date of creation:** 1st October 1995


“The mandate of the Working Party on Information Security and Privacy (WPISP) shall be:

1. To research and monitor developments in information and communication technologies, including convergence of networks, new application areas, market and user behaviour and to analyse the economic and social implications of emerging technologies, applications and services for policy development in relation to security of information systems and networks, and protection of personal data and privacy;

2. To assess, amend and/or develop, as appropriate, policy principles, guidelines, best practices or any other instrument for security of information systems and networks, and protection of personal data and privacy, particularly in areas in which there is an increased need for co-operation across international borders;

3. To exchange information and share experiences on various policy approaches related to security of information systems and networks, and protection of personal data and privacy, and to analyse the role of various actors in meeting policy goals in these areas; and

4. To promote the objectives and assess the implementation of relevant OECD Recommendations and Declarations, policy frameworks, and strategies.

The Working Party will undertake work as

- Taking into account the objectives of the Committee on [Digital] [Internet] Economy Policy, the mandate of the Working Party on Trust in the [Internet] [Digital] Economy [name to be decided] shall be to develop and promote policies to strengthen trust in the [digital] [internet] economy, including by managing digital security risks to economic and social activities and protecting privacy. In accomplishing its mandate, the Working Party shall:

- 1. Research and monitor relevant developments;

- 2. Assess, amend and develop policies, particularly in areas in which there is an increased need for co-operation across international borders;

- 3. Exchange information and share experiences on policy approaches;

- 4. Work to improve the evidence base for policy making;

- 5. (unchanged) To promote the objectives and assess the implementation of relevant OECD Recommendations and Declarations, policy frameworks, and strategies.

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requested by the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy (ICCP) and will submit on a regular basis to the ICCP Committee the results of its work.

The Working Party shall maintain close working relationships with other relevant bodies within the OECD to ensure complementarity of efforts and effective use of resources. In the conduct of its work, the Working Party will also, as appropriate, draw on the views and expertise of non-members, international organisations and non-governmental stakeholders, and work with business, trade unions, civil society, and the Internet technical community within a framework of co-operation that promotes mutual understanding and participation.

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The mandate of the Working Party shall remain in force until 31 December 2016, unless the Committee on [Internet] [Digital] Economy Policy decides otherwise.
Working Party on Indicators for the Information Society (WPIIS)
Date of creation: 1st March 1999

The mandate of the Working Party on Indicators for the Information Society (WPIIS) shall be:

Taking into account the objectives of the Committee on [Digital] [Internet] Economy Policy, the mandate of the Working Party on Measurement and Economic Analysis [name to be decided] shall be to develop measurement tools and methodologies to strengthen the evidence base for policies related to the [Internet] [digital] economy and assess its contribution to economic performance and social outcomes.

The Working Party will monitor, supervise, direct and co-ordinate the statistical work and contribute to the development of indicators and quantitative analyses needed to meet the requirements of the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy and its subsidiary bodies. More specifically, the Working Party will:

1. Ensure the continued improvement of the methodology for the collection of internationally comparable data for measuring the supply and demand for, and impacts of, information and communication technologies (ICTs). This will include developing and maintaining standards for measurement of the ICT sector, ICT goods and services, electronic business including electronic commerce, IT security, digital content and Internet access and use by citizens, businesses and institutions.

2. Compile ICT statistics according to the standards described in the preceding paragraph and assist in developing and interpreting statistical indicators which aid formulation of ICT and related policies, and monitoring progress. This work should be undertaken in the light of policy priorities expressed by the Committee and by member countries.

3. Undertake the evaluation of the impact of ICTs on economic performance, notably on growth, productivity and innovation, and social well-being, particularly through improved access to education, health and government services.

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3. The Working Party will promote efficient use of resources by seeking opportunities to work in cooperation with other relevant bodies within and outside the OECD, including non-member economies, other international organisations and non-governmental stakeholders, thus effectively sharing the knowledge of the group with a wider audience.

4. The Working Party will co-operate, in particular, with other OECD statistical sub-groups and working parties in dealing with broader statistical issues connecting industrial, science and technology activities.

5. The Working Party will act as a clearing house through which member and non-member economies can exchange information and experience on methods of collection, compilation, analysis and presentation of data which they use as indicators for the information society.

The mandate of the Working Party on Indicators for the Information Society shall remain in force until 31 December 2013, unless the ICCP Committee decides otherwise.”

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