Process/Function 1: "Forum function"

- 1. Is there need for an additional body? Yes
- 2. What functions should it exercise?
 - (a) Create a space for a multi-stakeholder discussion forum? See answer to (b)
 - (b) Give policy direction?

 Based on the WSIS principles, public policy authority for internet related issues is the sovereign right of states. They have rights and responsibilities for international Internet related public policy issues. The role of policy development and oversight should be internationalised under an intergovernmental body with involvement of other stakeholders..
 - (c) Any other function?

 The new body should ensure coordination with all internet related organizations and should foster bridging of the digital divide
 - (d) Be a combination of the above? Yes
- 3. What kind of public policy issues should it address?
 - (a) All issues related to the Internet? Yes,.
 - (b) Only issues outside the scope of existing organizations and institutions? It should address all international public policy issues including those currently being handled by existing institutions.
- 4. Where should it be anchored? It should be under the framework of the United Nations
- 5. How should it be financed? It should be financed from the same sources as existing internet NGO's.
- 6. How should it be structured?:

Consistent with the WSIS definition of the roles and responsibilities of the various stakeholders, the new body should be an intergovernmental organization with full opportunity for involvement of other stakeholders. The coordination function of the forum could be undertaken by a multi-stakeholder committee of the forum.

7. What would be its relationship with existing organizations and institutions? It would work closely with the organizations in the internet management structure and facilitate their activities by providing international public policy direction, legitimacy and oversight. Also it would provide a capability for centralised coordination of policy development and implementation with other international bodies involved in internet governance issues, such as ITU, WTO, WIPO etc.

Process/Function 2: "Oversight function"

1. When talking about oversight, what functions do you envisage (simple audit function, arbitration, policy direction or any other function) and over what areas of activities?

The new body should perform all the mentioned functions as well as-approval of rules and regulations relating to public policy.

2. Should the ICANN's Government Advisory Committee (GAC) be transformed and take on some oversight functions?

No. A new body is required with decision making capability.

3. Should the GAC be replaced by another body and what functions should such a body take on?

The GAC should not continue. Its functions will not be required after the creation of the new forum.

4. Should any post 2006 governmental oversight be exercised within the UN framework? The proposed new body should function within the UN framework.

Process/Function 3: Functioning / coordination of existing institutions

- What improvements in their functioning should existing institutions make to bring them
 more in line with the WSIS principles?
 The recommendations from the WGIG should be considered for implementation.
- 2. How can their activities be better coordinated?

 The new body should form a Committee tasked with ensuring coordination between the various organizations involved with the internet
- 3. Are there existing models of inter-agency cooperation that could be followed?
- 4. Should any existing institution be given the role of lead agency? The proposed new body should take the lead role.

Process Function 4: Functioning / coordination at the national level

- How should Governments bring their national decision-making process in line with international Internet governance arrangements?
 Having an input to and representation on the Council would legitimize the governance process in the eyes of national Governments and facilitate the adoption and implementation nationally of decisions and resolutions made by the Council.
- 2. What successful multi-stakeholder models could be recommended as an approach to be followed?

The ITU has a useful multi-stakeholder model that could be considered.