Programme Schedule

18th April	Time	Session	Speakers	
Opening Session	08.45-09.30	Opening Address	Piush Anthony - IT for Change	
			Gita Sen - IIM - Bangalore	
			Firoza Mehrotra - UNIFEM, New Delhi	
			Chair - Vanita Nayak Mukherjee - DAWN, South Asia	
Gender Issues in Information and Communication for Development				
Session 1	09.30-11.00	Gender Perspectives from the Right to Information Movement	Nikhil Dey - Mazdoor Kisan Shakti Sangathan, Rajasthan, India	
		Expanding Women's Capacities Through Access to ICT: An Overview from Sri Lanka	Leelangi Wanasundera - CENWOR, Sri Lanka	Abstract
		Using ICTs to bridge the Digital Divide	Usha Vyasulu Reddi - Commonwealth of Learning, New Delhi	Abstract
		Comment	Chair Srilatha Batliwala, Harward University, USA	
	11:00-11:20	Tea		
The WSIS Process - Mapping Gender				
Session 2	11.20-01.20	The ICT-Development Connection	Radhika Lal - UNDP, New York	
		Unpacking Internet Governance	Arun Mehta - Radiophony, New Delhi	
		Women, Media and ICTs in UN Politics: Progress or Backlash?	Heike Jensen - Boell Foundation, Germany	Abstract
		Civil Society and Feminist Engagement at WSIS - Some Reflections	Anita Gurumurthy - IT for Change, Bangalore	
		Comment	Chair - Gita Sen, IIMB and DAWN	
	01:20-02:15	Lunch		
Gender in the Information Economy				
Session 3	02.15-03.45	Gender Issues in the Indian Software Outsourcing Industry	Carol Upadhya - National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore	Abstract
		Has IT helped Women Break Barriers in the Employment Market?	Madhu Kishwar - Manushi, New Delhi	
		Has IT Made A Difference?	Supriya Roy Chowdhury - Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore	Abstract
		Comment	Chair - Najma Sadeque - Shirkat Gah, Pakistan	
	03:45-	Tea		

	04:00			
**Women's Engagement with ICTs - Patterns and Prospects**
Session 4	04.00-05.00	ICTs for Poor Women - Grameen's Experiences	Nazneen Sultana - Grameen Bank, Bangladesh	
		The Use of ICTs by Grassroots Organisations	Monica Raina - Independent Consultant, Gujarat	
		Comment	Chair - Leelangi Wanasundera, CENWOR	
**Special Alfresco Dinner - 7:30**
19th April	**Time**	**Session**	**Speakers**	**Details**
**Gender and Development in the Information Society - Setting Southern Agendas**
Session 1	08.45-10.10	Feminist Perspectives on Gender in the Information Society - Perspectives from Pakistan	Najma Sadeque - Shirkat Gah, Pakistan	Abstract
		Community Media and Women: Forging Subaltern Counterpublics	Vinod Pavrala and Kanchan Kumar - University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	Abstract
		Cake for the North and Crumbs for the South - The Political Economy of the Information Society	Anita Gurumurthy - IT for Change, Bangalore	
		Comment	Chair - Shobha Raghuram, HIVOS, India	
	10:10-10:30	Tea		
**Gender in Mainstream Media**
Session 2	10.30-11.45	Local media and women's identity articulation	Tasneem Ahmar - Uks Foundation, Pakistan	Abstract
		Feminist Perspectives on Media	Bandana Rana - Sancharika Samuha, Nepal	
		New Issues and Themes in Mainstream Media and Gender	Maitrayee Chaudhuri, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	
		Comments	Chair - Surekha Subarwal, UNDP, New Delhi	
**Gender and Emerging Information and Communication Paradigms**
Session 3	11.45-01.15	Cyberspace - bastion of freedom or freedom from responsibility?	Anita Anand - Comfirst, New Delhi	Abstract
		Gender, Community and Citizen's media	Sevanti Ninan - The Hoot, New Delhi	Abstract
		Tintoretto's Daughter and the Public Domain	Lawrence Liang - Alternate Law Forum, Bangalore	Abstract
		Comments	Chair - Ashish Sen Voices, Bangalore	
	01.15-02.15	Lunch		

Gender and ICT Policy				
Session 4	02.15-03.45	Incorporating Gender Issues in ICT Policy-Making	Mridul Chowdhury - D.Net, Bangladesh	Abstract
		ICTs & women's livelihoods: How real or tenuous is the connection?	Revathi Balakrishnan - FAO, Bangkok	Abstract
		Gender Issues in ICT and Poverty Reduction	Chat Garcia Ramilo - The Association for Progressive Communications, Philippines	Abstract
		Comments	Chair - Radhika Lal - UNDP, New York	
	03:45-04:00	Tea		
Panel Discussion on Women's Movements in the Information Society - Meeting Challenges and Shaping Opportunities				
Closing Session	04.00-05.15		Janaki Nair - Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata	
			Nivedita Menon - Delhi University, New Delhi	
			Gita Sen - Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore	
			Chair - Firoza Mehrotra, UNIFEM, New Delhi	