



## Informal Meeting on Science, Technology and Innovation Roadmaps for SDGs

26-27 March 2018

Venue: S-2724BR, UN HQ, New York, USA

Organized by the UN DESA Division for Sustainable Development, UNCTAD, the World Bank and the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

*The 2016 and 2017 STI Forums highlighted the need for STI action plans and roadmaps for SDGs at national and global levels. The objective of the IATT workstream on STI Roadmaps outline inter-sessional work program to inform and enrich STI Forum discussions on STI Roadmaps for SDGs, focusing on preparing upcoming meetings and events on STI Roadmaps and tangible impact to be achieved over 2018-2019. The informal meeting aims at reviewing UN System's existing support instruments and mechanisms to countries' efforts on STI Roadmaps, and develop a plan to engage a small group of countries to champion country level STI Roadmaps for SDGs at 2018 STI Forum.*

### Agenda

Day One - 26 March 2018	
9:15 – 9:30	Coffee
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome remarks from DSD</li> <li>• Brief remarks by Bill Colglazier</li> <li>• Introduction of participants</li> </ul>
9:45 – 10:45 Moderated and chaired by DSD	<b>Session 1: Introduction and scope of work</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of current workplan for STI Roadmap (DESA/UNCTAD)</li> <li>• Introduction of the outline of a background paper by the IATT (World Bank)</li> <li>• Interactive discussion</li> </ul> <p>Discussion questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What does it take for TFM to demonstrate usefulness of STI Roadmaps and encourage countries' adoption at scale? How can the current workplan be strengthened?</li> <li>2. Given the variety of related STI Forum discussions on roadmaps' roles and scopes, how best can discussions among Member States and IATT be facilitated in the context of the TFM?</li> <li>3. Does the synthesis of the outcomes of STI Forums ("10 points") help organize analysis, and how can it be strengthened?</li> </ol>
10:45 – 12:30 Moderated and chaired by Bill Colglazier	<b>Session 2: Review of existing analytical and diagnostic inputs to STI Roadmaps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience from UNESCO, Paris</li> <li>• Experience from UNCTAD, Geneva</li> <li>• Experience from World Bank</li> <li>• Experience from WIPO</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interactive discussion</li> <li>• Next steps</li> </ul> <p>Discussion questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are key contributions of STI policy reviews/diagnostics, sectoral deep-dives/ analysis of interlinkages, technology needs assessments and foresights/prospective analysis to inform country level STI roadmaps for SDGs?</li> <li>2. What complementarities, opportunities for further synergies, and knowledge/ expertise/ resource gaps exist in the UN System's current efforts?</li> </ol>
12:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:30 – 15:30 Moderated and chaired by UNCTAD	<p><b><u>Session 3: Country needs and National Development Plans</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief introduction by the World Bank</li> <li>• UNOSSC and other IATT</li> <li>• Work on NDPs (e.g. Manchester/Ottawa Universities, University College London)</li> <li>• Work by ICSU</li> <li>• Work by Japan</li> <li>• Interactive discussion</li> </ul> <p>Discussion question:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What approaches and examples can usefully inform countries to strengthen STI policy coherence, link STI roadmaps to national development challenges and development strategies, and adapt to and preempt rapid technological changes?</li> <li>2. What are the key elements that countries and international organizations may need to take into account in formulating STI action plans and/or roadmaps for SDGs?</li> </ol>
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15:45 – 17:30 Moderated and chaired by JST	<p><b><u>Session 4: Connecting the dots – Discussing engagement of a group of countries</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief introduction by UNIDO/ UNESCO</li> <li>• Interactive Discussion</li> <li>• Next steps</li> </ul> <p>Discussion questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What country experiences can usefully inform on facilitating multi-stakeholder collective action and bridge international, national and subnational STI roadmaps?</li> <li>2. Which countries can be invited to the May EGM and/or highlighted in STI Forum roadmap session / side event and CSTD, as examples to represent and address diverse country circumstances and advance the discussions to scaled adoption of STI Roadmaps for SDGs?</li> </ol>

## Day Two - 27 March 2018

9:30-11:00 Moderated and chaired by Bill Colglazier	<p><b><u>Session 5: Review of STI roadmaps process and implementation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recap by Bill Colglazier</li> <li>• Experience from Japan</li> <li>• Overview of Technology Needs Assessment, UNEP</li> <li>• Experience from other IATT</li> <li>• Interactive discussion</li> </ul>
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	<p>Discussion question:</p> <p>1. What are key considerations in implementation of STI Roadmaps for SDGs – open and inclusive engagements, adequate funding, human and institutional capacity, feedback and learning loops, and beyond?</p>
<p>11:00 – 12:00</p> <p>Moderated and chaired by DSD</p>	<p><b>Session 6: Brainstorming about a follow-up meeting in Tokyo, May 7-8, 2018</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IATT perspectives</li> <li>• Japan</li> <li>• Interactive discussion</li> </ul> <p>Discussion question:</p> <p>1. What agenda, preparation including background paper, and engagement of championing countries are necessary to produce desired outcome of the May EGM?</p>
	<i>Break</i>
<p>12:30 – 13:00</p> <p>Moderated and chaired by DSD, World Bank and UNCTAD</p>	<p><b>Closing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next steps (World Bank, DESA, UNCTAD): to recap and clarify immediate follow-up actions and division of labor</li> <li>• Acknowledgment and thanks (DESA, World Bank and UNCTAD)</li> </ul>