#### Innovation - Creativity -Smart Content

Selecting & Promoting Digital Uniqueness with Social Impact Globally



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I am writing from the yearly WSIS Review in Geneva where the United Nations community working towards a quality information society is convened by ITU and UNESCO to assess progress and changes.

The World Summit on Information Society (WSIS) process towards 2025 is the framework for WSA and all our shared efforts and work to promote, select and award best practice in content driven interactive digital applications and solutions.

All social entrepreneurs share the perspective that it is crucial to build the right community, reach users, attract an audience. Technology is not the issue.

The World Summit Award presents and serves as community platform for a rich and creative spectre of content from all over the world and narrows the content gap, gender gap, knowledge and skills divide.

In this context, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you personally for your ongoing partnership with WSA and your engagement as a member in this unique global community.

Peter A. Bruck

More on the WSA presence at WSIS here...

#### WSA YOUTH AMBASSADORS @ WSIS FORUM

DURING THE WSIS FORUM, WSA CONDUCTED AN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP WITH THE TITLE "IMPACT ON SOCIETY THROUGH DIGITAL INNOVATION"



The WSA workshop during the WSIS Forum was all about how inspiring and useful solutions developed by WSA winners build an inclusive knowledge society. Contributing were also three of the WSA Youth Ambassadors: Sharmishta Sivaramakrishnan is the UN Youth Representative for Caring for Cambodia, Jon Mark Walls leader of the GovFaces project, Sanny Gaddafi, founder of 8villages and WSA Speaker Jordi Serrano Pons, founder of Universal doctor speaker. More here...

#### ARE YOU SOLVING THE ISSUES OF SOCIETY WITH DIGITAL INNOVATION?

WSA DEADLINE EXTENDED TO AUGUST 31! APPLY NOW AND GAIN INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

# CALL OPEN APRIL - AUGUST 31





APPLY NOW IN 8 CATEGORIES TO TAKE YOUR SOCIAL INNOVATION TO THE GLOBAL STAGE!

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Solving real issues and providing solutions scalable to the needs of the community is the forte of WSA's unique winners. With over 13 years of promoting and showcasing ICT beneficial to society, WSA is a garant for ICT with content that counts.

Apply and present your digital innovation to a worldwide audience!

#### **PROVIDING SOLUTIONS FOR EVERYDAYS CHALLENGES**

WSA PRESENTS OUTSTANDING PRODUCTS FROM ALL UN MEMBER STATES - HERE'S A SELECTION OF THE CHANGE MAKERS 2016







PREPARING US CITIZENS TO VOTE



SMART HOME SOLUTION FROM PORTUGAL



ACCSESIBILITY FOR THE BLIND FROM SLOVAKIA

#### ICTs FOR SDGs PROVIDED BY THE NEXT GENERATION OF UNDER 30s

CALL OPEN FOR YOUNG SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS TACKLING THE UN SDG's!



WSA Young Innovators is a special recognition for young social entrepreneurs under 30 years of age. Eligible for young citizens of all UN member states, WSA Young Innovators is open to every start-up, social entrepreneur, NGO, student or individual.

# APPLY NOW!

24 OUTSTANDING YOUNG INNOVATORS UNDER 30 FROM OVER 14 COUNTRIES - THE WORLD SUMMIT YOUTH AWARD WINNERS OF 2016 SURPRISE WITH THEIR MANIFOLD PROJECTS





GROW TREES IN INDONESIA WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE & UTILIZE LAND

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#### PRESENTING SOCIAL DIGITAL INNOVATION NARROWING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

The World Summit Award organizes and contributes actively to several events per year. With 15+ LOCAL, REGIONAL AND GLOBAL EVENTS, WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS PER YEAR, WSA offers face to face platforms for a multi-level knowledge exchange.

### WSA @ UNIDO CONFERENCE ON THE ROLE OF THE SOCIAL AND SOLIDARITY ECONOMY IN REDUCING SOCIAL EXCLUSION

WSA Chairman Peter A. Bruck & WSA Youth Ambassador Mathias Haas panelling at the UNIDO - United Nations Industrial Development Organization conference in Budapest. They shared their insights on the panel session on the role of international organizations in reducing Social Exclusion.



## WSA @ SOLUTION BRUNCH IN VIENNA

WSA organized in partnership with the Social City Wien and the Austrian Federal Chancellary a solution brunch to discuss how digital innovations can solve societal challenges.



SAVE THE DATE: WSA GLOBAL CONGRESS VIENNA 20.-22. März 2018

SOCIAL IMPACT THROUGH DIGITAL INNOVATION



WSA Global Congress 2018 will be a 2,5 day conference, hosted in the grandroom of the Vienna cityhall. With the friendly support of the City of Vienna, for the fisrt time WSA Congress will reside in its country of origin, Austria. More here...

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