Awareness and Inclusion: strategizing through technology

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Awareness

• Sharing knowledge about the positive changes that can be made using technology
• But also the need to mitigate the harms
• Awareness of the crucial fact that digital technologies are increasing inequalities
• If we don’t start with the most marginalised we will make matters worse
  – Who are the most marginalised?

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Inclusion

• If digital technologies are not designed to be inclusive they further marginalise the excluded

• Need to focus especially on:
  – Those with disabilities
  – Refugees
  – Women and girls
  – Out of school youth

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Need for all of us to act

• Government
  – Legislation
  – Procurement
  – Regulation
• Tech sector
  – Changing the design mentality
  – Procurement
• Civil society
  – Activism
  – Participation

Technical Session – III
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1600 - 1700

- Opening Remarks by Prof. Tim Unwin
- Pakistan ICT Bill 2020: Rhetoric to Reality by Mr. Shabbir Awan
- Sehat Kahani by Ms. Makkiya Jawed
- Open Floor Discussion
- Close of Day 1 by Prof. Tim Unwin