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PANEL 1: TRENDS OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION LAWS IN THE 21ST CENTURY
- New ATI challenges: from administrative bodies to all branches of power and private bodies;
  - Intergovernmental organizations and ATI international standard;
  - Disinformation and the Right to Information

PANEL 2: THE IMPORTANCE OF INDEPENDENCE AND EFFICIENCY OF OVERSIGHT BODIES AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS
- The role of specialized bodies in protecting and promoting access to public information;
  - Defining independence for oversight bodies;
- Sharing best practices: models for implementation and oversight of access to information laws;
  - Transparency and proactive disclosure as key elements of ATI laws

PANEL 3: LEVERAGING DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES FOR PEACE & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- Digitalization and access to information;
  - The expansion of e-Government processes;
  - The increase of data and data-intensive research;
- Inclusion and cross-border data flows;
  - Results of UNESCO’s SDG 16.10.2 survey on the implementation of ATI laws

PANEL 4: STRENGTHENING THE RIGHT TO ACCESS INFORMATION IN THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW
- Streamlining Access to Information in the Universal Periodic Review;
  - Links between ATI and other thematic recommendations in the UPR reports;
  - How to better target recommendations based on ATI?
- Implementation of UPR recommendations at national level - lessons learned

PANEL 5: ACCESS TO INFORMATION - REGIONAL PERSPECTIVES AND UNESCO POLICY GUIDE
- Regional expert from Nigeria, e-session of Africa;
  - Regional expert from Latin America and the Caribbean (Argentina);
  - Regional expert from India, e-session of Asia and the Pacific;
  - Regional expert from Egypt, e-session of Arab States;
- Regional expert from Canada, e-session of Europe and North America

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