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Chair,

1. Thailand aligns itself with the statements delivered on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and on behalf of ASEAN.
2. Information and communications technologies are key enablers for achieving sustainable development. Yet, they can pose challenges by widening digital divides, exacerbating inequalities and hindering accessibility. We must **address the challenges of digitalization and mitigate their potential negative impacts**, including on human rights, privacy, and cybersecurity. The misuse of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence must urgently be dealt with.
3. Thailand wishes to stress three points that we view as essential to building **inclusive and resilient digital ecosystems** for all to **harness the full benefits of ICTs**.

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4. **First**, it is imperative to **bridge digital divides**, both between and within countries, in order to achieve a truly people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented information society.
5. Thailand places a strong emphasis on building **inclusive digital ecosystems** across sectors and for all to ensure **sustainable digital transformation**.
Our Digital Government Development Plan and National AI Strategy utilize digital technologies to enhance public services, increase competitiveness of private sector, promote open access to data for public and foster investment in AI infrastructure.
6. **Second**, we must ensure **safe, secure and trusted data flows** to address increasing risks from the misuse of ICTs, particularly **cybercrime and online scams**.
7. This is the reason why Thailand attaches high importance on **data protection and privacy**. It is an essential foundation to foster trust in digital economy. Thailand established the **Anti Online Scam Operation Centre or AOC** as a dedicated service hub to combat the growing prevalence of online scams. **Awarded the WSIS Prize 2025** in the category of “Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs” at the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 High-Level Event in Geneva in July, the **AOC affirms Thailand’s commitment and success** in combating the surge of online scams.

8. **Third**, Thailand is transitioning towards a **value-based and innovation-driven economy**. To support this transformation, we must equip our human resources to be **future ready** by leveraging the benefits of Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) through **reskilling** and **upskilling** for SMEs and workforce to increase their productivity and income.

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9. Only through collective action, can we ensure that **digital transformation is sustainable and inclusive**. And only then can **globalization remain fair and equitable**. Developing countries cannot achieve this alone. We must enhance international cooperation to strengthen **provision of financial resources, capacity-building and the transfer of technology** to countries most in need.

10. Thailand stands ready to work with all partners to implement commitments made under the **Global Digital Compact (GDC)**, in complementary with the outcome of the **World Summit on the Information Society**, to achieve an inclusive, open, safe and secure digital future for all.

Thank you.
