The 1st Meeting of BRICS Working Group on ICTs Cooperation was held on 10 November 2016 in Bengaluru.

During the meeting, discussions were held on creating an enabling environment for ICTs development, security in use of ICTs and driving BRICS agenda for international norms and governing structures, coordinated positions on public policy issues at international platforms.

The Working Group drafted the “BRICS ICT Development Agenda and Action Plan” to develop a collaborative framework for cooperation in the ICT space. The potential areas of cooperation included in the Action Plan: (i) National Digital Agendas; (ii) B2B Engagement; (iii) R&D and Innovation; (iv) Capacity Building; (v) e-Government including mobile applications; and (vi) International engagement and coordination.