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The Regulatory Wheel of Change:
Regulation for Digital Transformation

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30 June 2020

*for an online
discussion with
high-level panelists*

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Launch of Celebration

- Mr Houlin Zhao, ITU Secretary-General
- Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin, ITU BDT Director
- Mr Dan Sjöblom, Director-General of the Swedish Post and Telecom Authority (PTS), President of BEREC and GSR Chair



GSR video: Here is the link to
the high quality video:

<https://we.tl/t-Wce79kdNpX>



Moderator:

Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin, BDT Director

Panelists:

- **H.E. Ms Ursula Owusu-Ekuful, Minister, Ministry of Communications, Ghana**
- **Mr Michel van Bellinghen, Chairman Council BIPT, Belgium, incoming Chairman BEREC 2021/GSR Regulatory Associations Meeting Chairman**
- **Mr Flavien Bachabi, President, ARCEP, Benin**
- **Dr. R. S. Sharma, Chairman, TRAI, India**
- **Mr Bocar Ba, CEO, SAMENA Council, Chairman CRO**
- **Ms Aarti Holla, Secretary General, ESOA**
- **Mr Joakim Reiter, Group External Affairs Director, Vodafone Group**
- **Mr Makhtar Diop, Vice President Infrastructure, World Bank**

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20TH GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM FOR REGULATORS

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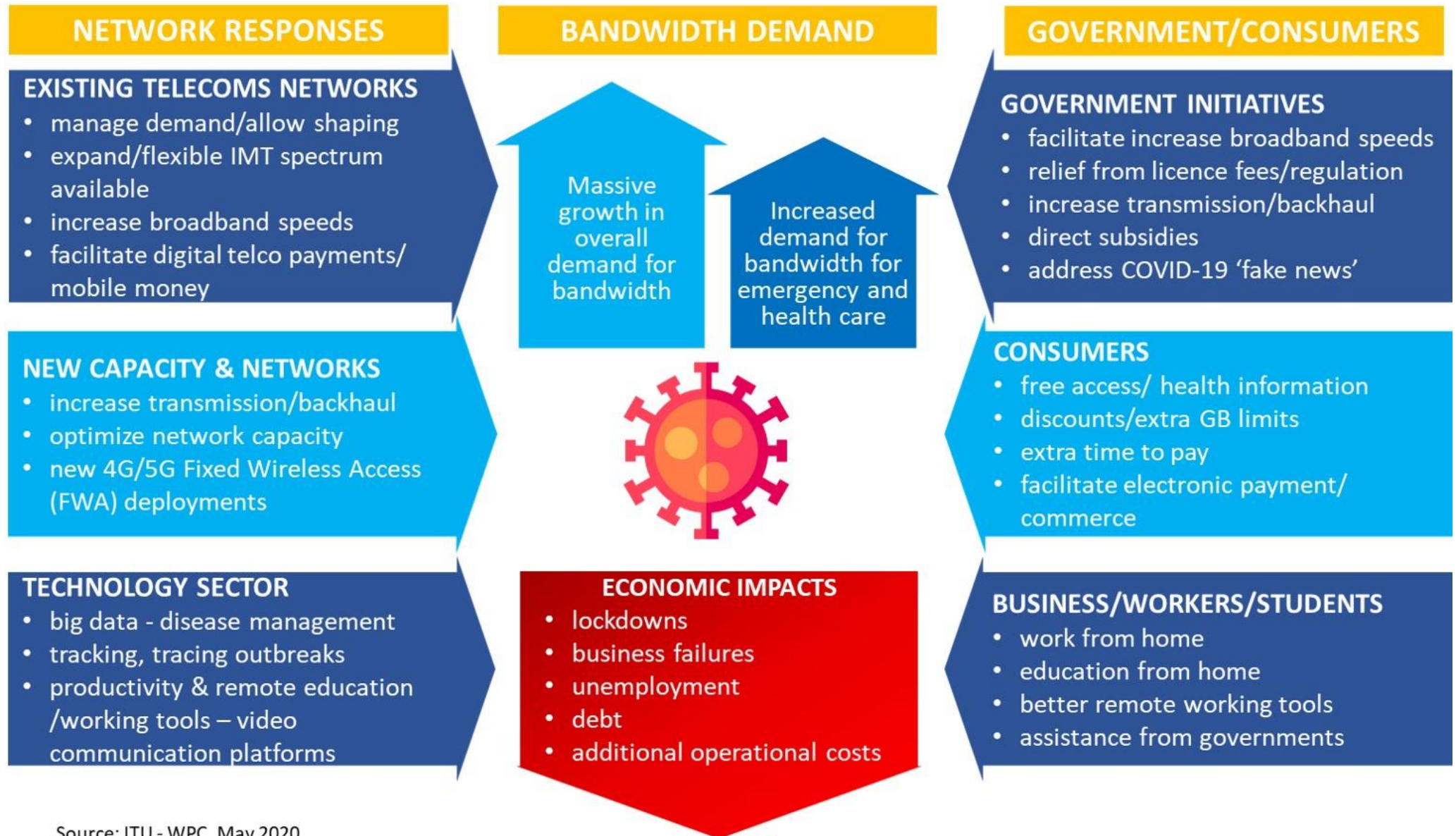
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Interveners:

- **Mr Mats Granryd, Director General and Member of the GSMA Board, GSMA**
- **Mr Lacina Koné, Director-General, Smart Africa**

COVID-19: TELECOMMUNICATION/ICT SECTOR RESPONSES



The cover of the report 'Pandemic in the Internet Age: communications industry responses'. The background is a high-angle photograph of a busy pedestrian crossing with white diagonal stripes. Several people are walking across the crossing. Overlaid on the image are several green and red rectangular boxes, some of which are connected by thin lines, suggesting a network or data flow. Two red boxes are labeled with temperatures: '37.8 °C' and '37.5 °C'. The title 'Pandemic in the Internet Age: communications industry responses' is written in white text in the upper right corner. The ITU logo is in the bottom left corner. At the bottom, there is a small text block: 'COVID-19 and the Telecommunication/ICT Sector', 'GSR Discussion Paper on ensuring connectivity and business continuity – key lessons learned –', and 'June 2020'.

Pandemic in the Internet Age: communications industry responses

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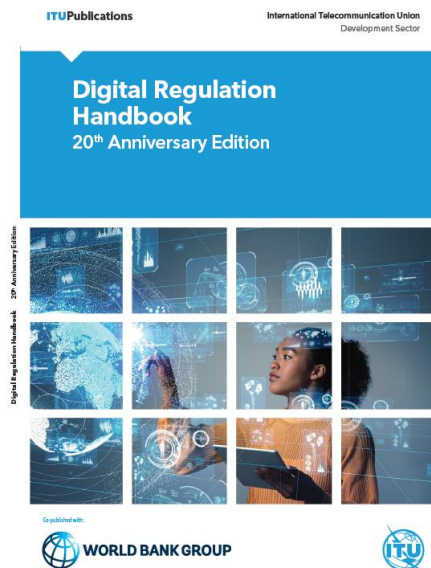
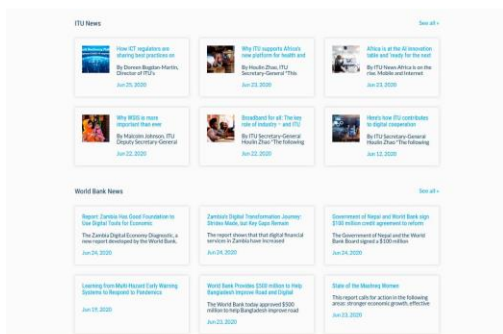
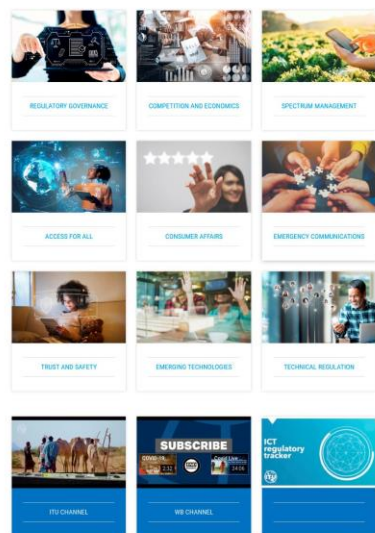
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June 2020



Reg4covid

<https://reg4covid.itu.int/>



Joint ITU - World Bank Digital Regulation Handbook and Platform 20th anniversary edition

Release date: September 2020!



ITU/WB/GSMA/WEF Speedboat video

MP4 file:

<https://weforum.box.com/s/lb9ztvqer28gezv413mgbk5ki0v09w5h>

YouTube version:

<https://youtu.be/PKg7GHEpqKM>



GSR-20 Best Practice Guidelines Consultation

“The gold standard for digital regulation”

- Coordinated by [Mr Dan Sjöblom](#), [Director-General](#), Swedish Post and Telecom Authority (PTS), Sweden and [GSR-20 Chair](#)
- [Adoption of the *Guidelines* by regulators on 1 September 2020](#) during the Heads of Regulators Executive Roundtable
- [Deadline for contributions \(extended!\) 25 July 2020](#)
- Since 2003, the *Guidelines* have featured established regulatory mechanisms as well as tried and tested practices
- We encourage regulators to [focus your 2020 contribution exclusively on novel, bold, innovative and ground-breaking approaches and tools for digital regulation](#), especially now while we are thinking of building back better



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Provide your *ideas, views and experiences* on:

- Demonstrating **regulatory thought leadership** for digital transformation
- **Vectors of regulatory action:** Inclusiveness, agility, and resilience
- **Collaboration across sectors,** cooperation across borders, and engagement across the boards

Contributions received to date:

- ATU
- ARCTEL-CPLP
- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Chile
- Colombia
- Mexico
- Saudi Arabia
- UK

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GSR-20 Celebration and upcoming events

From **5 July to 20 August 2020**, a series of Special Regulatory Roundtable discussions will be held online, working with our regional colleagues, regional regulatory associations, and partners, and addressing:

- On **7 July 2020**: GSR 2020 Regional Regulatory Roundtable Discussion for Europe and CIS: The Regulatory Wheel of Change: Regulation for Digital Transformation
- On **30 July 2020**: Digital Transformation for Digital Economies @COVID-19 South-Asia
- On **20 August 2020**: ITU Inter-regional Webinar on Competition Policy and Analysis in Digital Apps Environment for Arab and Africa Regions

On **31 August 2020**, we will hold the Regional Regulatory Associations meeting and the Industry Advisory Group for Development Issues and Private Sector Chief Regulatory Officer's meeting (IAGDI-CRO) meeting at the same time in different virtual rooms.

On **1 September 2020**, we will hold the Heads of Regulators Executive Roundtable (upon invitation only), just before the main sessions of GSR.

The core sessions of GSR will be held from **1 to 3 September 2020** in short sessions over 3 hours each day.