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| **Summary:**  This document contains compilation of outcomes agreed by RPMs and contributions submitted by members to TDAG17 on the preliminary draft WTDC-17 Declaration. The CG-SPOPD examined it at its meeting on 9 May 2017.  **Action required:**  TDAG is invited to consider this document and provide any further input as deemed appropriate. Outcomes of TDAG-17 will be submitted to membership as a reference document in the preparation of their contribution to WTDC-17.  **References:**  [RPM-CIS16/44](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-RPMCIS-C-0044/), [RPM-AMS17/41](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-RPMCIS-C-0044/), [RPM-ASP17/36](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-RPMASP-C-0036/), [TDAG17-22/45](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-TDAG22-C-0045/), [TDAG17-22/49](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-TDAG22-C-0049/), [TDAG17-22/52](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-TDAG22-C-0052/), [TDAG17-22/60](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-TDAG22-C-0060/), [TDAG17-22/68](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-TDAG22-C-0068/) | | |

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Preliminary Draft WTDC-17 Declaration

The World Telecommunication Development Conference (Buenos Aires, 2017), which took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina, under the theme of "ICT for Sustainable Development Goals” (ICT④SDGs),

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recognizing*a)* telecommunications/ICTs are a key enabler for social and economic development; and consequently for accelerating the timely attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in the **Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  *a)* telecommunications/ICTs are a key tool for implementing the World Summit on the Information Society Vision beyond 2015, approved by a Resolution of the General Assembly, and a key enabler for social and economic development; and consequently for accelerating the timely attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in UNGA Resolution A/70/1 "**Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**"; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| *a) that telecommunications/ICTs are a key enabler for social, environmental, cultural and economic development, and consequently for accelerating the timely implementation of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Action Lines and assisting efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in the Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;***Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  *a)* telecommunications/ICTs are a key tool for implementing the World Summit on the Information Society Vision beyond 2015, approved by a Resolution of the General Assembly, and a key enabler for social and economic development; and consequently for accelerating the timely attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in UNGA Resolution A/70/1 the **Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**; |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  *a)* Telecommunications/ICTs are a key enabler for social and economic development; and consequently for accelerating the timely implementation of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), and to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in the **Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**; |

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*b)* that ITU-D should adapt and reinforce the existing links between the WSIS Action Lines and the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets through the regional initiatives and Action Plan and by contributing to the ITU Strategic Plan, in order to support global evolution;

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*c)* that technological change and the new and innovative opportunities provided by telecommunications/ICTs should be accompanied by ambitious decision-making and measures aimed at reducing poverty and inequalities and fostering the protection of our planet, all of which are spheres that are critical to the progress of humankind;*b)* telecommunications/ICTs also play a crucial role in various areas such as health, education, agriculture, governance, finance, commerce, disaster risk reduction and management, climate change mitigation and adaptation; particularly in least developed countries (LDCs), small island developing States (SIDS), landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and countries with economies in transition;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  *b)* telecommunications/ICTs also play a significant role in various areas such as health, education, agriculture, governance, finance, commerce, disaster risk reduction and management, climate change mitigation and adaptation; particularly in least developed countries (LDCs), small island developing States (SIDS), landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and countries with economies in transition; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  *d)* that telecommunications/ICTs also play a crucial role in various areas such as health, education, agriculture, governance, finance, commerce, poverty reduction, disaster risk reduction and management, climate change mitigation and adaptation; |
| **Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  *b)* telecommunications/ICTs also play a significant role in various areas such as health, education, agriculture, governance, finance, commerce, disaster risk reduction and management, climate change mitigation and adaptation; particularly in least developed countries (LDCs), small island developing States (SIDS), landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and countries with economies in transition; |
| **Japan – Document TDAG17-22/68**  *b)* Telecommunications/ICTs also play a crucial role in various areas such as health, education, agriculture, governance, finance, commerce, climate change mitigation and adaptation; particularly in least developed countries (LDCs), small island developing States (SIDS), landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and countries with economies in transition; |

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| **Japan – Document TDAG17-22/68**  *c)* Telecommunications/ICTs are mandate technology for disaster preparedness, risk reduction and management, since natural and man-made disasters occurred year by year in both developed and developing countries, and developing countries without sufficient telecommunications/ICTs infrastructure encounter more critical situation; |

*c)* access to modern, secure and affordable Telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services offers opportunities for improving peoples' lives and ensuring that sustainable development across the world becomes a reality;

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*e)* that access to modern, secure and affordable telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services offers opportunities for boosting productivity and efficiency, improving peoples' lives and ensuring that sustainable development across the world becomes a reality, particularly in Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Small Island Developing States (SIDS), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and countries with economies in transition;*d)* widespread conformance and interoperability of telecommunication/ICT equipment and systems through the implementation of relevant programmes, policies and decisions can increase market opportunities and reliability and encourage global integration and trade;

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  *e)* *that* widespread pilot programmes on conformance and interoperability of telecommunication/ICT equipment and systems through the implementation of relevant programmes, policies and decisions can increase market opportunities, competitiveness and reliability and encourage global integration and trade; |

*e)* telecommunication/ICT applications can be life-changing for individuals, communities and societies at large, but they canalso increase the challenge of building confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs;

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*g)* that telecommunication/ICT applications provide innovative and beneficial services for individuals, communities and societies at large, but canalso entail difficulties in terms of building confidence and trust in the availability, reliability and security in the use of telecommunication/ICT systems;*f)* broadband access technologies, broadband-enabled services and ICT applications offer new opportunities for interaction among people, for sharing the world's knowledge resources and expertise, for transforming peoples' lives and for contributing to inclusive and sustainable development across the world;

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*f) that* widespread pilot programmes on conformance and interoperability of telecommunication/ICT equipment and systems through the implementation of relevant programmes, policies and decisions can increase market opportunities, competitiveness and reliability and encourage global integration and trade;*g)* despite all the progress made during past years, the digital divide still remains, and is compounded by disparities in access, use and skills between and within countries, in particular between urban and rural areas, as well as in the availability of accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs, particularly for women, youth, children, indigenous people and persons with disabilities and specific needs;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  *g)* despite all the progress made during past years, the digital divide still remains, and is compounded by disparities in access, use and skills between ITU regions, between individual countries, and within countries, in particular between urban and rural areas, as well as in the availability of accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs, particularly for women, youth, children, indigenous people and persons with disabilities and specific needs; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| *i)* that despite all the progress made during past years, digital divides still remain, and are compounded by disparities in access, use and skills between and within countries, in particular between urban, rural and underserved areas, as well as in the availability of accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs, particularly for women, youth, children, the elderly, indigenous people and persons with disabilities and specific needs;**RPM-ASP/42/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for Asia-Pacific (RPM-ASP)**  *g)* despite all the progress made during past years, the digital divide still remains, and is compounded by disparities in access, use and skills between and within countries, in particular between urban and rural areas, as well as in the availability of accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs, particularly for women, elderly, youth, children, indigenous people and persons with disabilities and specific needs; |
| **Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  *g)* despite all the progress made during past years, the digital divide still remains, and is compounded by disparities in access, use and skills between and within ITU regions and individual countries, in particular between urban and rural areas, as well as in the availability of accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs, particularly for women, youth, children, indigenous people and persons with disabilities and specific needs; |

*h)* ITU is committed to improving people’s lives and making the world a better place throughtelecommunications and information and communication technologies (ICTs);

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| *j)* that ITU is committed to improving people’s lives and making the world a better place throughthe use oftelecommunications and ICTs;**Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  *h)* ITU is committed to improving people’s lives and making the world a better place throughtelecommunications and information and communication technologies; |

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  *k)* that developing telecommunication/ICT infrastructure in rural, remote and underserved areas and ensuring the availability of affordable and accessible ICTs is a priority, calling for the identification of effective, innovative, affordable and sustainable solutions, |

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| **Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  *i)* ITU-D in accordance with its functions, defined by the Constitution and the Convention, is playing a significant role in implementing the relevant parts of WSIS Plan of Actions, the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and the Agenda “Connect 2020”, |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  *i)* Widespread access to the services and applications of telecommunications/ICT, provides a better digital transformation and inclusion which enables new socioeconomic benefits for all. |

therefore declares that

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therefore declares 1 universally accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs are a fundamental contribution towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  1 universally accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs are a fundamental contribution towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030 and drive development of the national and global economy as well as the building of the global information society; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 1 that widely accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs make a fundamental contribution to implementation of the WSIS Action Lines and of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals;**Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  1 universally accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs are a fundamental contribution towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030 and serve as a driving force for the development of the national and global economy and building a global information society; |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  1 Universally accessible and affordable telecommunications/ICTs are a fundamental contribution towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030 and drive the development of the national and global economy as well as building a global information society; |

2 innovation is essential in ushering high-speed, high-quality ICT infrastructure and services;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  2 innovation is essential in ushering high-speed, high-quality telecommunication/ICT infrastructure and services; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 2 that is essential in enabling infrastructure deployment and boosting the penetration of high-capacity, high-quality ICT services, and that new and emerging technologies should be harnessed in the interests of supporting global efforts aimed at further development of the information society;**Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  2 innovation is essential in ushering high-speed, high-quality telecommunications/ICT infrastructure and services; |
| **People's Republic of China– Document TDAG17-22/52**  2 Innovation is critical to increasing the access to high-speed, high-quality and highly-connected ICT infrastructure and services. An international convention on the operation of trans-multi-country optical fiber terrestrial cables is necessary for increasing the connectivity between the trans-multi-country optical fiber cable networks and fulfilling the Connect 2020 Agenda and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  2 Innovation is essential in ushering high-speed, high-quality telecommunication/ICT infrastructure and services; |

3 with convergence, policy-makers and regulators should continue to promote widespread, affordable access to telecommunications/ICTs, including Internet access, through fair, transparent, stable, predictable and non-discriminatory enabling policy, legal and regulatory environments, including common approaches to conformance and interoperability that promote competition, increase consumer choices, foster continued technological and service innovation and provide investment incentives at national, regional and international levels;

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3 that policy-makers and regulators should continue to promote widespread, affordable access to telecommunications/ICTs, including Internet access, through fair, transparent, stable, predictable and non-discriminatory enabling policy, legal and regulatory environments, including common approaches to conformance and interoperability, foster continued technological and service innovation, based on standards, platforms, environments and open applications, as well as on provisions which facilitate the harnessing of network capacities and efficient use of the spectrum, while at the same time creating investment incentives at the national, regional and international levels;

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| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  4. Increased participation of developing countries[[1]](#footnote-1) in ITU activities relevant to bridging the standardization gap is needed in order to ensure that they experience the economic benefits associated with technological development, and to better reflect their requirements and interests in this area.  5. Effective and efficient spectrum management are critical issues for policy-makers, regulators, operators, broadcasters and other relevant parties, given the increasing demands for scarce radio-frequency spectrum and satellite-orbit resources,; |

4 new and emerging technologies such as big data and the Internet of Things should be harnessed for purposes of supporting global efforts aimed at further development of the information society;

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 4 that innovation and evolution in the use of telecommunications/ICTs play, or are capable of playing, a fundamental role in the development of the digital economy, having a transforming effect on individuals, societies and economies throughout the world;**RPM-ASP/42/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for Asia-Pacific (RPM-ASP)**  4 new and emerging technologies such as big data , the Internet of Things and Artificial Intelligence should be harnessed for purposes of supporting global efforts aimed at further development of the information society; |
| **Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  4 new and emerging technologies such as broadband and mobile telecommunications, big data and the Internet of Things should be harnessed for purposes of supporting global efforts aimed at further development of the information society; |

5 digital literacy and ICT skills, as well as human and institutional capacity in the development and use of telecommunications/ICT networks, applications and services should be enhanced to enable people to contribute to ideas, knowledge and human development;

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 5 that digital literacy and ICT skills, as well as human and institutional capacity in the development, appropriation and use of telecommunication/ICT networks, applications and services should be enhanced to enable people to contribute to ideas, knowledge and sustainable development;**RPM-ASP/42/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for Asia-Pacific (RPM-ASP)**  5 digital literacy and ICT skills, as well as human, institutional and country capacity in the development and use of telecommunications/ICT networks, applications and services including emerging technologies should be enhanced to enable people to contribute to ideas, knowledge and human development; |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  7. Digital literacy and ICT skills, as well as human and institutional capacity in the development and use of telecommunications/ICT networks, services and applications should be enhanced to enable people to contribute to ideas, knowledge and human development; |

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  6 that telecommunications/ICTs can contribute to the creation of significant opportunities for education and training throughout people’s lives, including people with disabilities and specific needs, and that achieving this calls for the adoption of immediate, sustained and specific measures in the interests of ensuring an inclusive, egalitarian and quality education; |

6 measuring the Information Society and providing the proper indicators/statistics are important for both Member States and the private sector with the former being able to identify gaps that need public policy intervention, and the latter, in identifying and finding investment opportunities;

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7 that the “Measuring the Information Society Report” and elaborating proper and comparable indicators/statistics is important for both Member States and the private sector, as well as other relevant sectors, in order to identify the levels of progress and development and any digital divides that still remain;7 an inclusive information society should take into account the needs of persons with disabilities and specific needs;

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8 that an inclusive information society should be committed to fostering people’s social and economic progress, with emphasis on the needs of persons with disabilities and specific needs and of vulnerable and marginalized groups, and should pursue mechanisms for creating new forms of social and educational relationships in which female and male stereotypes make way for a new vision in which all individuals, irrespective of gender, age, race, religion and so on, are acknowledged as essential agents for sustainable development;

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  9 that an inclusive information society should create opportunities for women and girls, ensuring a global approach to gender equality; |

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  10 that opportunities provided by telecommunications/ICTs should be fully exploited with the aim of ensuring equitable access to telecommunications/ICTs and to innovations that foster sustainable socio-economic development, poverty alleviation, job creation, entrepreneurship and the promotion of digital inclusion and empowerment for all, particularly women, young people, children, the elderly, indigenous peoples and persons with disabilities; |

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  11 that an information society should be backed up by a multistakeholder approach in which telecommunication/ICT development and growth provide investment predictability and leverage sustainability through innovation, competitiveness and integration, acknowledging essential principles for the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines and the Sustainable Development Goals in 2030; |

8 building trust, confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs requires further international cooperation and coordination between governments, relevant organizations, private companies and other stakeholders.

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  8 building trust, confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs, as well as protection of personal data and privacy, requires further international cooperation and coordination between governments, relevant organizations, private companies and other stakeholders; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 12 that building trust, confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs is a priority that calls for greater international cooperation and coordination between governments, relevant organizations, private companies and other stakeholders, in the interests of capacity building and exchange of best practices;**Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  8 building trust, confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs as well as ensure the protection of personal data requires further international cooperation and coordination between governments, relevant organizations, private companies and other stakeholders. |
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| **Japan – Document TDAG17-22/68**  9. In the case of emergency including disaster, ensuring human lives and their assets, the use of emerging telecommunications/ICTs should be taken into account further information exchange of experiences and mutual cooperation internationally; |

9 cooperation between developed and developing countries as well as among developing countries are encouraged as this paves way for technical cooperation, technological transfer, and joint research activities;

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  9 cooperation between developed and developing countries as well as among developing countries are encouraged as this paves way for technical cooperation, technological transfer, and joint research activities, and helps to bridge the digital divide between countries; |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)** |
| 13 that cooperation between innovators in developed and developing countries, as well as between developing countries, is to be encouraged, since it paves way for technical cooperation, technology and knowledge transfer and joint research activities;**Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  9 cooperation between developed and developing countries as well as among developing countries are encouraged as this paves way for technical cooperation, technological transfer, joint research activities and sharing best practices; |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  11. Cooperation between developed and developing countries as well as among developing countries are encouraged as this paves way for technical cooperation, technological transfer, and joint research activities and socioeconomic development; |

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  14 that the promotion of investment for the development of broadband infrastructure, services and applications contributes to the sustainable and integrated economic growth of peoples, and that in this respect the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector must be a key player in the creation of alliances and spaces for cooperation between Member States, the private sector, international funding agencies and other stakeholders; |

10 public-private partnerships need to be further strengthened in order to identify and apply innovative technological solutions and financing mechanisms for inclusive and sustainable development;

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15 that there is scope for the further strengthening of public and private models and of public-private partnerships in order to identify and apply innovative technological solutions and financing mechanisms for inclusive and sustainable development;11 innovation should be integrated into national policies, initiatives and programmes to promote sustainable development and economic growth through multi-stakeholder partnerships, between developing countries and between developed and developing countries to facilitate technology and knowledge transfer;

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16 that innovation should be integrated into national policies, initiatives and programmes to promote sustainable development and economic growth through multi-stakeholder partnerships, between developing countries and between developed and developing countries to facilitate the voluntary transfer of knowledge and of ecologically rational technologies under favourable conditions and on mutually agreed terms;12 international cooperation should be continuously enhanced amongst ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates, Academia, and other partners and stakeholders to pursue sustainable development, through the use of telecommunications/ICTs;

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17 that international cooperation should be continuously enhanced and promoted among ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates, Academia and other partners, stakeholders and initiatives in the interests of achieving sustainable development through the use of telecommunications/ICTs;13 ITU membership and other interested parties should cooperate in implementation of Connect 2020 global telecommunication/information and communication technology goals and targets.

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18 that the ITU membership and other interested parties should cooperate in implementation of the Connect 2020 global telecommunication/information and communication technology goals and targets;

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| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  19 that the regions have articulated their specific priorities in a set of regional initiatives, which can be found in the Buenos Aires Action Plan adopted by this conference, and that the implementation of those initiatives deserves a high priority on the part of ITU‑D. |

Accordingly, we, the delegates to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC‑17), declare our commitment to accelerate the expansion and use of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services for the timely attainment of the **Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in the Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.

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| **RPM-CIS/38/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17 for CIS (RPM-CIS)**  Accordingly, we, the delegates to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC‑17), declare our commitment to accelerate the expansion and use of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services for building the information society and for the timely attainment of the **Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in UNGA Resolution A/70/1** "**Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**". |
| **RPM-AMS/41/1 : Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC 17 for the Americas (RPM-AMS)**  Accordingly, we, the delegates to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC‑17), declare our commitment to catalysing the expansion and use of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services for implementation of the WSIS Action Lines and timely attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets as set out in the document entitled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". |
| **Russian Federation – Document TDAG17-22/49**  Accordingly, we, the delegates to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC‑17), declare our commitment to accelerate the expansion and use of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services for building and further development of the information society and bridging the digital divide, the timely attainment of the **Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in UNGA Resolution A/70/1 “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”**. |
| **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, State of Kuwait, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of the Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen – Document TDAG17-22/60**  Accordingly, we, the delegates to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-17), declare our commitment to accelerate the expansion and use of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure, applications and services for building the information society and achieving the **Sustainable Development Goals and Targets set out in the Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.** |

The World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-17) calls upon ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates, Academia and all other partners and stakeholders to contribute towards the successful implementation of the Buenos Aires Action Plan.

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| **Cuba – Document TDAG17-22/45**  *The following text is an unofficial translation of the original Spanish text*  The text below does not carry any indication if and where it should be inserted  a) that strategies for collaboration should be drawn up, including financial support for developing and least developed countries, so they can advance and access information and communication technologies on an equal footing/ICT.  b) that the design of regional projects under the leadership of the ITU must be strengthened to promote the development of ICTs and thereby make benefits accessible to all in an inclusive manner.  c) that intergovernmental alliances are created and with the participation of other actors to protect and maintain the security of critical infrastructures and the resilience of systems.  d) that international collaboration may be consolidated with the aim of maintaining and ensuring a safe cyberspace that contributes to achieve the goals of sustainable development.  e) that may be strengthened the technical and procedural measures, capacity-building, international cooperation, international structures and the regulatory framework for employment and the use of safe, reliable and legitimate cyberspace.  f) that mechanisms for cooperation may be established among States to operate in a effective way towards the preservation of cyberspace as a platform for legitimate exchange in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and with International Law.  g) that actions for gender equality and the empowerment of women in the world, as well as within the specialized agencies of the United Nations, may be strengthened. |

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1. These include the least developed countries, small island developing states, landlocked developing countries and countries with economies in transition [↑](#footnote-ref-1)