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ABOUT BDT PROJECTS

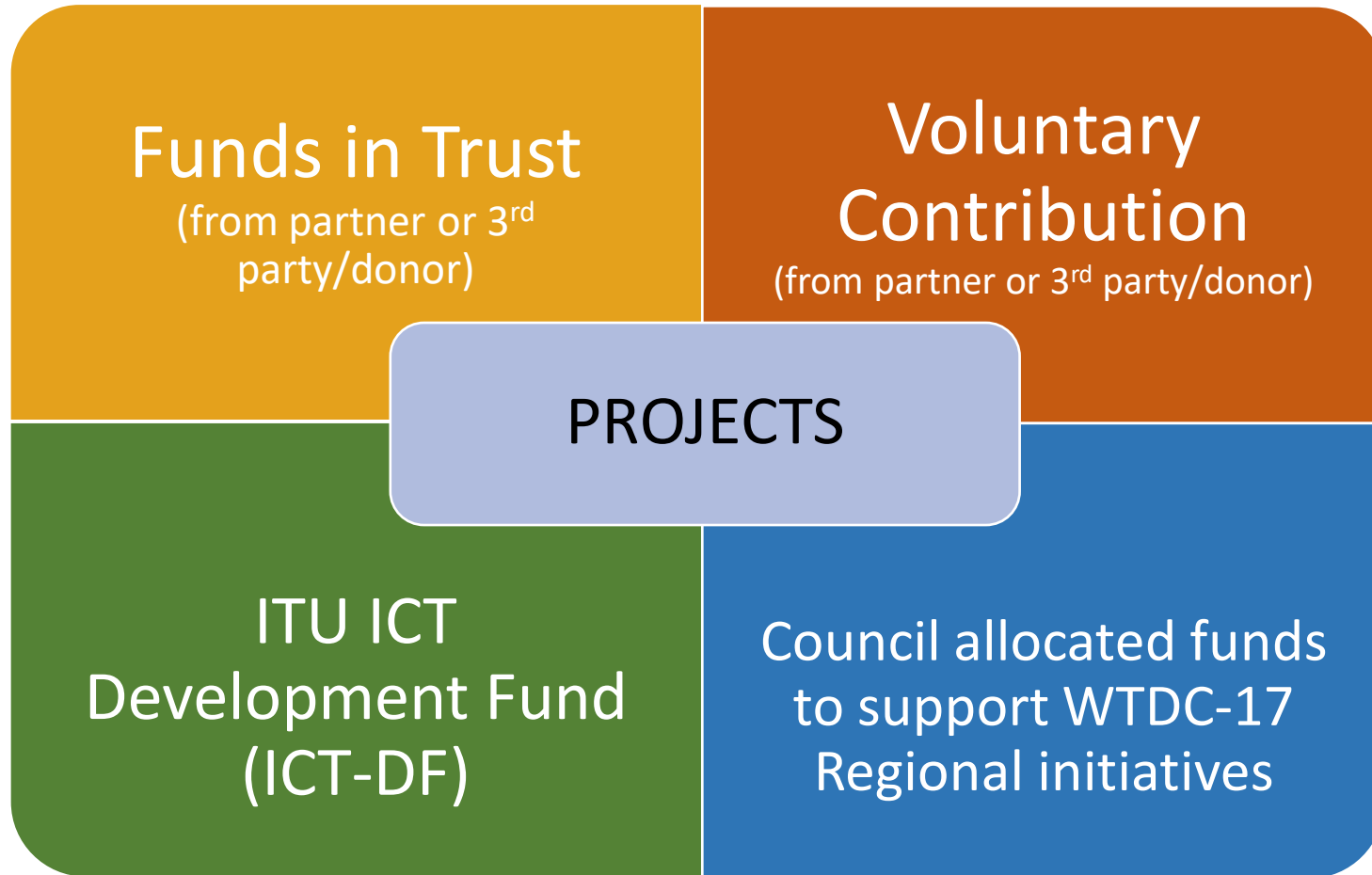
Our projects can be classified as:

Global

Regional

National

Funding mechanisms for ITU projects



- ITU is not a funding entity, but a specialized agency of the UN and executing agency.
- Scope and scale of projects depend on the capacity of beneficiaries and partners to mobilize financial support.

About in-kind contributions from partners

- A voluntary contribution in kind is the act by which a person or legal entity provides work, goods or services free of charge to an entity.
- Voluntary contributions in kind may take several forms. If these voluntary contributions are significant, quantifiable and measurable, then they are valued through ITU's accounting system.
- They can be represented by :
 - work contributions: volunteer work, staff provided by a public or private organization, unpaid time spent on project management
 - asset contributions: any property that is returned in full ownership to the project ;
 - contributions in services: provision of premises, equipment, free supplies of services.
- On the date they become part of the project's assets, goods received free of charge are recorded at their market value.
- The market value of goods received free of charge corresponds to the price that would have been paid under normal market conditions.
- The IPSAS rules make it mandatory to provide information on voluntary contributions in kind.

About WTDC Regional Initiatives (RIs)

- **Regional initiatives** (RIs)
 - adopted in World Telecommunications Development Conferences (WTDC);
 - RIs were introduced at the fifth WTDC, held in 2010 in Hyderabad;
 - they address specific ICT priority areas, through partnerships and resource mobilization to implement small-, medium- and large-scale projects;
 - The current cycle of RIs adopted at WTDC-17 covers the implementation period of 2018 to 2021.
 - Under each RI, projects are developed and implemented to meet the region's needs.
- **ITU supports implementation** of RIs within its dual responsibility as:
 - a United Nations specialized agency
 - and executing agency for implementing projects under the UN development system
- ITU can also support to **mobilize financial resources**
 - To provide seed funding via ICT-DF funds and Council allocated funds to support implementation of WTD-17 RIs (RI funds)
 - to facilitate seeking funding arrangements from third parties (resource mobilization)

Financial resources from ITU for co-financing RIs

Source	Details	Contribution from partner
ITU Operational Plan (OP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ITU regular budget. Defined annually by BDT management based on the ITU-D Thematic Priorities. • Activities supported by OP may lead to projects in the future • Actions normally between 5k to 30-50k 	OP activities don't require a partner, although contribution from partner(s) are welcome to increase impact
ITU ICT Development Fund (ICT-DF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources to finance projects with at least one partner • Projects should include at least one country from LDCs, SIDS, LLDCs and economies in transition • Project intervention should fall into specific categories linked to the ITU-D Thematic Priorities 	<p>Partners are expected to finance 75% of the expected project cost.</p> <p>Note: On exceptional basis, the ICT-DF may finance more than 25%</p>
Council allocated funds to support WTDC-17 Regional Initiatives (RI Funds)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocation of funds provided by Council 2018 to provide seed funding in support of projects linked to WTDC-17 regional initiatives. • CHF 5 million to be allocated in projects during the 2018-2021 period. 	Partners are expected to finance ideally 50% of the expected project cost.

A focus on WTDC-17 Regional Initiatives for AFR

RI	Short name	Regional Initiative
AFR 1	Digital Economies and Innovation	Building digital economies and fostering innovation in Africa
AFR 2	Broadband	Promotion of Emerging Broadband Technologies
AFR 3	Cybersecurity	Building trust and security in the Use of Telecommunications/ICT
AFR 4	Capacity Building	Strengthening human and institutional capacity building
AFR 5	Spectrum and Digital Broadcasting	Management and monitoring of the radio frequency spectrum and transition to digital broadcasting

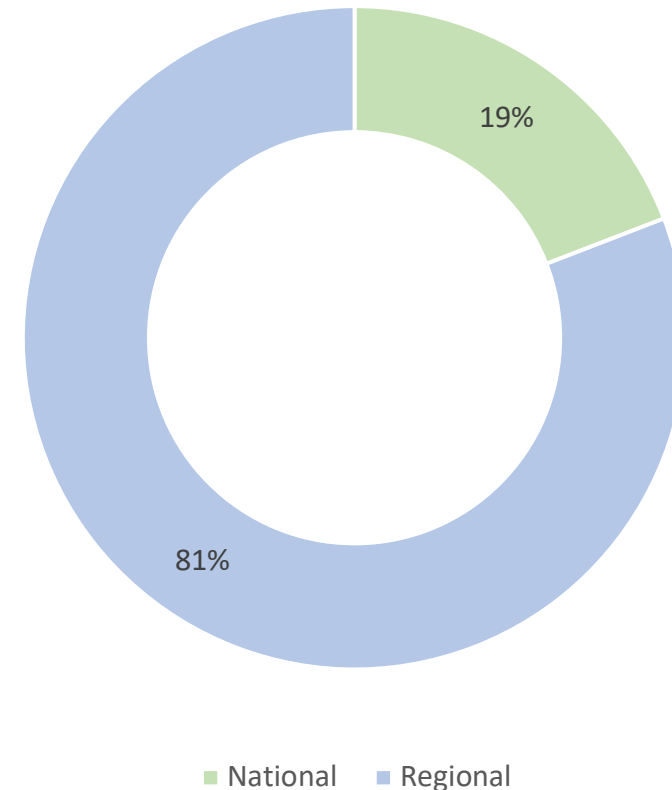
STATUS OF PROJECTS IN AFR REGION

Overview of ITU Projects in Africa

Portfolio of national/regional projects

	Projects	Partner contribution	ITU Funds	Total (CHF)
National projects	8	1,415.4	126.6	1,542.0
Regional projects	3	5,673.9	838.8	6,512.7
Total	11	7,089.3	965.4	8,054.7

Distribution of Projects in AFR by project budget



Detailed information on projects in AFR

(WTDC-17 Action Plan implementation: National and regional projects)

Title	Thematic Priority	Status	External Funds	ITU Funds	Total Project Budget (CHF)	Country	Main RI activated
PRIDA-ITU Delegation Agreement for Action	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	5'532'436	553'244	6'085'679	Regional	AFR 5: Spectrum & Digital Broadcasting
Malawi CERT Establishment	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	406'800		406'800	Malawi	AFR 3: Cybersecurity
Using Digital Health Services to accelerate SDG in the Africa Region in the context of Regional Initiative 1 (AFR1) -	Digital services	Ongoing	141'414	150'000	291'414	Regional	AFR 1: Digital Economies & Innovation
Establishment of an African Digital Transformation Center (ATDC) in South Africa	Digital ecosystem	Ongoing	275'720		275'720	South Africa	AFR 1: Digital Economies & Innovation
Boosting decent jobs and enhancing skills for youth in Africa's digital economy	Capacity Development	Ongoing		135'600	135'600	Regional	AFR 4: Capacity Building
National CIRT Establishment in Burundi	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	231'453		231'453	Burundi	AFR 3: Cybersecurity
Détection automatique de la rétinopathie diabétique au Sénégal	Digital services	Ongoing	202'858		202'858	Senegal	Note, also contributes to AFR 1
Develop and nurture sustainable digital innovation ecosystems that accelerate youth resilience and empowerment in Benin, with a robust gender approach	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	67'800	90'400	158'200	Benin	AFR 1: Digital Economies & Innovation
National CIRT Establishment in The Gambia	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	90'400	36'160	126'560	Gambia	AFR 3: Cybersecurity
Ensuring continuity of learning for the most vulnerable children and youth in Senegal	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	98'922		98'922	Senegal	AFR 2: Broadband
Enhanced National KE-CIRT/CC Kenya	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	41'495		41'495	Kenya	AFR 3: Cybersecurity
TOTAL PROJECTS IN AFR			7'089'298	965'404	8'054'701		

Global projects benefiting AFR (1)

Project No	Title	Themes
2GLO16081	Big Data pilots	ICT Statistics & Indicators
2GLO18094	NETPs	Emergency Telecommunications, Least Developed Countries & SIDS
2GLO18097	ITU Interactive Maps	Technology & Network Development
2GLO20104	GIGA	Digital Inclusion, ICT Applications, Spectrum management and digital broadcasting
2GLO20105	I-CoDI	Digital Inclusion, Innovation, Technology & Network Development
2GLO20109	Accessibility Online Job Systems	Digital Inclusion, ICT Applications
2GLO20110	Broadband Connectivity LMC	Capacity Building, Technology & Network Development
7GLO03043	Emergency-LDC	Emergency Telecommunications, Least Developed Countries & SIDS

Global projects benefiting AFR (2)

Project No	Title	Themes
7GLO20106	Digital Ecosystem and Skills for Women EIF	Digital Inclusion, Least Developed Countries & SIDS
7GLO20108	DTCs	Capacity Building, Digital Inclusion
9GLO13072	mHealth for NCDs	ICT Applications
9GLO15077	eMCM Master	Capacity Building
9GLO16080	SMTP-AFRALTI	Capacity Building
9GLO18090	National Spectrum Workshops	Spectrum management and digital broadcasting
9GLO19099	Assistance National Spectrum Mng Systems	Spectrum management and digital broadcasting
9GLO19100	Capacity Building ICT innovation	Capacity Building, Innovation

ITU Resources allocated to RI in AFR region (in k CHF)

Source of ITU funding	Multi	AFR-1	AFR-2	AFR-3	AFR-4	AFR-5	Total Funds allocated
OP actions		225.0	45.4	70.0	181.5		521.9
Projects		305.0		801.4	0.0	6,044.6	7,151.0
RI Projects		291.4			1,022.6		1,314.0
Total		821.4	45.4	871.4	1,204.0	6,044.6	8,986.8

Total funds mobilized through ITU contribution (in k CHF)

Source of ITU funding	In-cash external	ITU ICT-DF	OP and RI funds	Total ITU Funds	Total project funds
OP budget			511.9	521.9	521.9
Regular projects	6,601.5	549.5		549.5	7,151.0
RI Council appr. funds	867.4		446.6	446.6	1,314.0
Total	7,468.9	549.5	958.4	1,518.0	8,986.8



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