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Connecting the unconnected to achieve sustainable development

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World Telecommunication Development Conference

- To be held from **6 to 16 June 2022**, in Kigali, Rwanda
- Preceded by the **Generation Connect Youth Summit** from **2 to 4 June 2022**, in Kigali, Rwanda
- Will feature the **Partner2Connect Digital Development Roundtable** from **7 to 9 June 2022**

ITUWTDC

WTDC Theme

Connecting the
unconnected
to achieve sustainable
development.

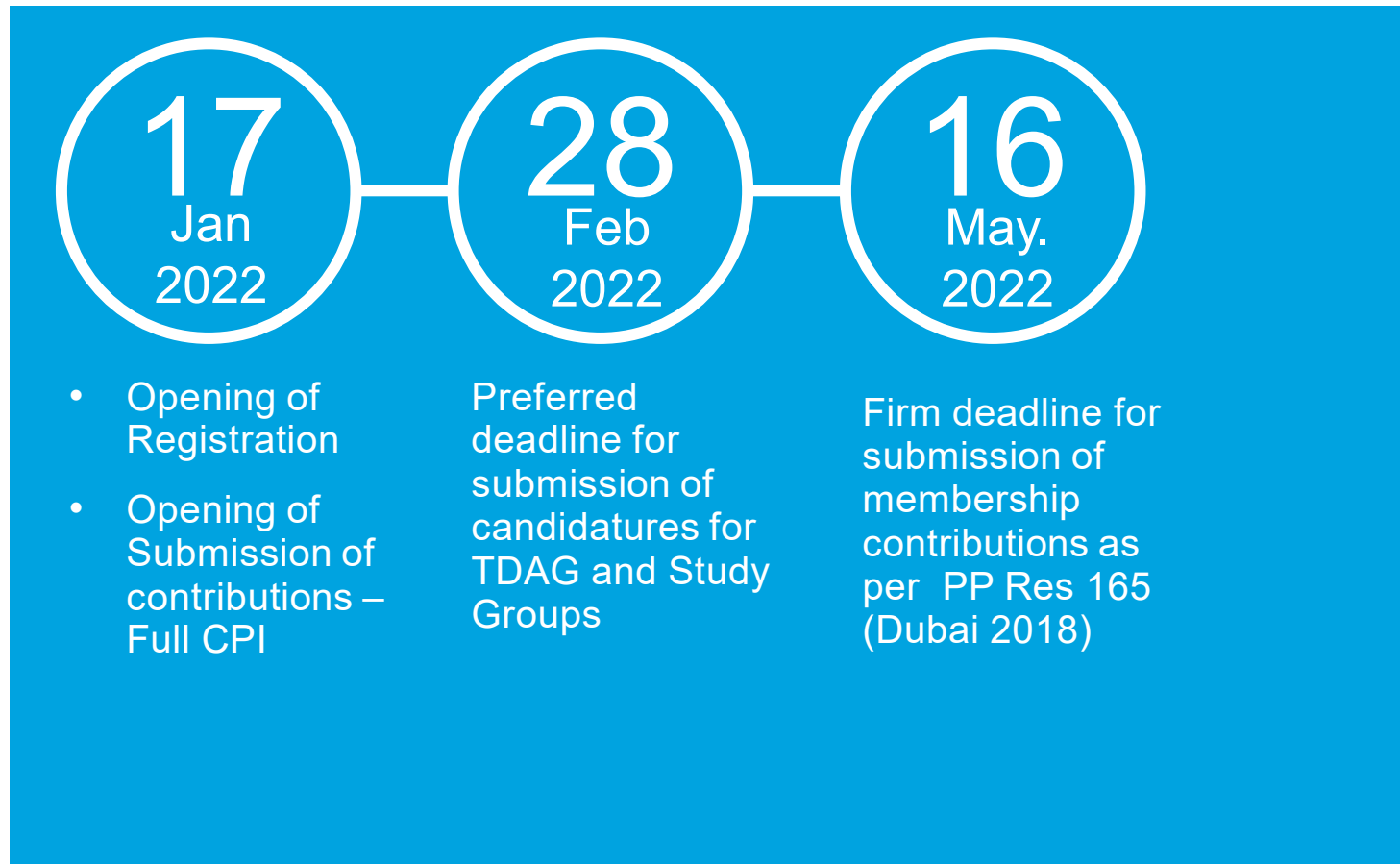


Host Country Preparations

- WTDC will be held at the Kigali Convention Centre, Kigali, Rwanda
- February 2022
 - Member State Decision to hold WTDC in Kigali
 - Courtesy Visit by BDT Director to Kigali
 - Invitation Letter to WTDC, Kigali
 - Registration Link for WTDC
 - Registration Links for Partner2Connect
- March 2022
 - IRM-3 – Final Inter-Regional Meeting to Prepare for WTDC
 - First ITU Planning Mission to Kigali
 - Practical Information to be issued
 - Invitation Letter to Youth Summit
 - Registration Link for Youth Summit
 - Fellowship Application Process



Important deadlines



Conference structure

As approved by TDAG21/1



Partner2Connect Summit

Open to ITU members and Non-members

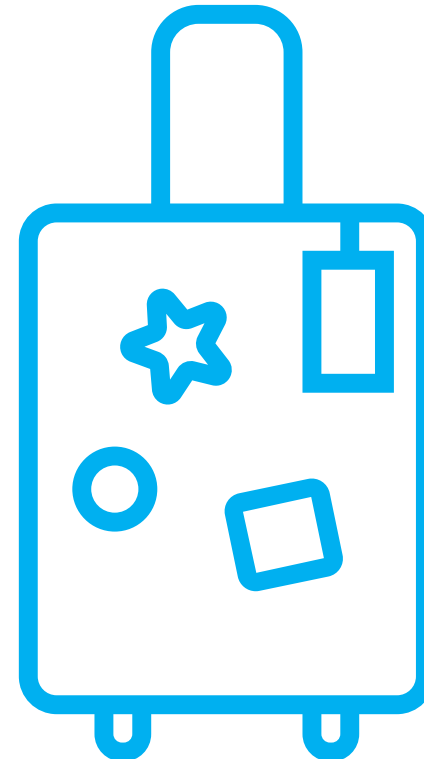
Committee Leadership



- Chair Designate of the Conference is Hon. Paula Ingabire, Minister of Information and Communications Technology and Innovation, Republic of Rwanda
- ITU Secretariat will consult with membership on the Vice-Chairmen of the conference and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the committees and working group(s) of the Plenary.
- Proposals for Vice-Chairmen of the Conference and Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of committees are invited from each region, to be submitted by **16 May 2022**, the deadline for contributions to WTDC.

Fellowships

- Fellowships are available for WTDC to delegates from Eligible Member States.
- Member States are encouraged to select their candidates taking into consideration the inclusion of youth between 18 and 29 years old. Fellowships awarded for WTDC to young persons may be extended to enable their participation to the Generation Connect Youth Summit, from 2 to 4 June.
- Candidatures must be received by fellowships@itu.int by 30 April 2022 to ensure time for processing before WTDC.
- The offer of fellowship will be published shortly.



Social Events

- ITU Protocol will coordinate the Social Events Calendar at WTDC
- Social event options (coffee breaks, lunches, cocktail receptions and dinners) are scheduled based on the Time Management Plan to avoid conflicts with formal working sessions
- Interested social event organizers are invited to contact ITU Protocol by email to protocol.service@itu.int
- Due to the limited number of social events slots and venues, allocation is done on a “first come, first served” basis
- Once a slot is confirmed by ITU Protocol, social event organizers will be directly put in touch with Host Country Focal Point for all information and arrangements, including costs



What's new @ WTDC

- Partner2Connect Summit
- Generation Connect Global Youth Summit.
- Network of Women for WTDC

ITUWTDC

Partner2Connect @WTDC

Digital Coalition





Objective

To serve as a leadership level platform to engage all stakeholders to mobilize and announce new resources, partnerships, and commitments to foster meaningful connectivity and digital transformation **globally**, with a focus on but not limited to hardest-to-connect communities in Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).



Focus Areas

Building on the outcomes of the **Road to Addis Digital Development Series**, which started in 2020 to create momentum towards the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC), in alignment with the **WSIS Action Lines** and the **SDGs**, and in close cooperation with the **Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Technology**, Partner2Connect will support the implementation of the **United Nations Secretary General's Roadmap for Digital Cooperation** and the United Nations Secretary General's report: **"Our Common Agenda"** through four **Focus Areas**:



ACCESS
Connecting people everywhere



ADOPTION
Empowering communities



VALUE CREATION
Building Digital Ecosystems



ACCELERATE
Incentivizing investments

Pillars



- Infrastructure
- Affordability
- Cybersecurity

- Skills
- Inclusion
- Local Content/ Services

- Innovation/ Entrepreneurship
- Apps & Services
- Digital Economy

- Innovative Financing
- Project Viability
- Investor Constellation



P2C Digital Development Roundtable Programme at WTDC - Overview

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

- Community feeling
 - Core experience for all WTDC participants (Days 2-4, ie. 7-9 June)
 - Special Guests who will only join for the Roundtable
- High level visibility statements with a focus on pledges, by Member States and other leaders from business, civil society, youth, and international organizations
- Incentives to come onsite
 - Dynamism
 - Opportunities to Partner
 - Networking + exhibition of pledges

P2C Digital Development Roundtable Programme at WTDC - Overview

Session Type	Description
Opening Session	Welcome remarks, P2C Overview
Eleven High Level Panel Sessions (replaces Policy Statements)*	Announcement of pledges
Four Spotlight Sessions	Special format high impact mini-spotlights (Ted style talks, musical guests, etc)
Two Breakouts (4 sessions in parallel)	Opportunity for everyone to get engaged and contribute
Closing Session	Summary of pledges made, next steps

ADDITIONAL NETWORKING ELEMENTS:

- Coffee breaks, lunches and dinner receptions (possibility to sponsor)
- Exhibition hall for pledges (possibly around the corridors on the way to the rooms)

Generation Connect and the Generation Connect Global Youth Summit

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Generation Connect

Aims for real impact in the lives of young people around the world, by ensuring their meaningful participation as key stakeholders in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Generation Connect embodies the ITU Youth Strategy on the journey to the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC), the preceding Generation Connect Global Youth Summit and beyond.



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Generation Connect Global Youth Summit 2-4 June 2022, Kigali, Rwanda

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Objective

Target youth engagement and participation of at least 400 young attendees (ages 18-29), with a diverse range of two youth individuals per country to participate in the Summit.

Virtual participation open to youth aged 15-29.

Why

Youth representatives will build new digital skills, debate and network with global decision makers of the ICT sector including politicians, business leaders and make an impact on a global stage.

Where

Held in a hybrid format, with physical participation along with virtual youth engagement, preceding the WTDC

Result

“Call to Action” document to be submitted to world leaders at WTDC.

Participation in the Summit, will encourage young participations to go back to their countries, communities and organizations and redouble their efforts as global digital change makers



Generation Connect

Global Youth Summit 2-4 June 2022

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We welcome your partnerships, sponsorship and/or in-kind contribution towards:

- Supporting the organization and content of the Youth Summit.
- Youth Delegate Fellowships: Our goal is to have at least 400 young people (one young man and one young woman from each country) at the physical Youth Summit. Help us reach this goal by bringing your youth to Kigali.

