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**PRESENTATION FOR THE INFORMAL SESSION  
ON REGIONAL INITIATIVES FOR EUROPE**

**Summary:**

This document contains the presentation used during the Informal Session on Regional Initiatives for Europe, that took place during TDAG-19, on 5 April 2019.

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# ITU Regional Initiatives for Europe

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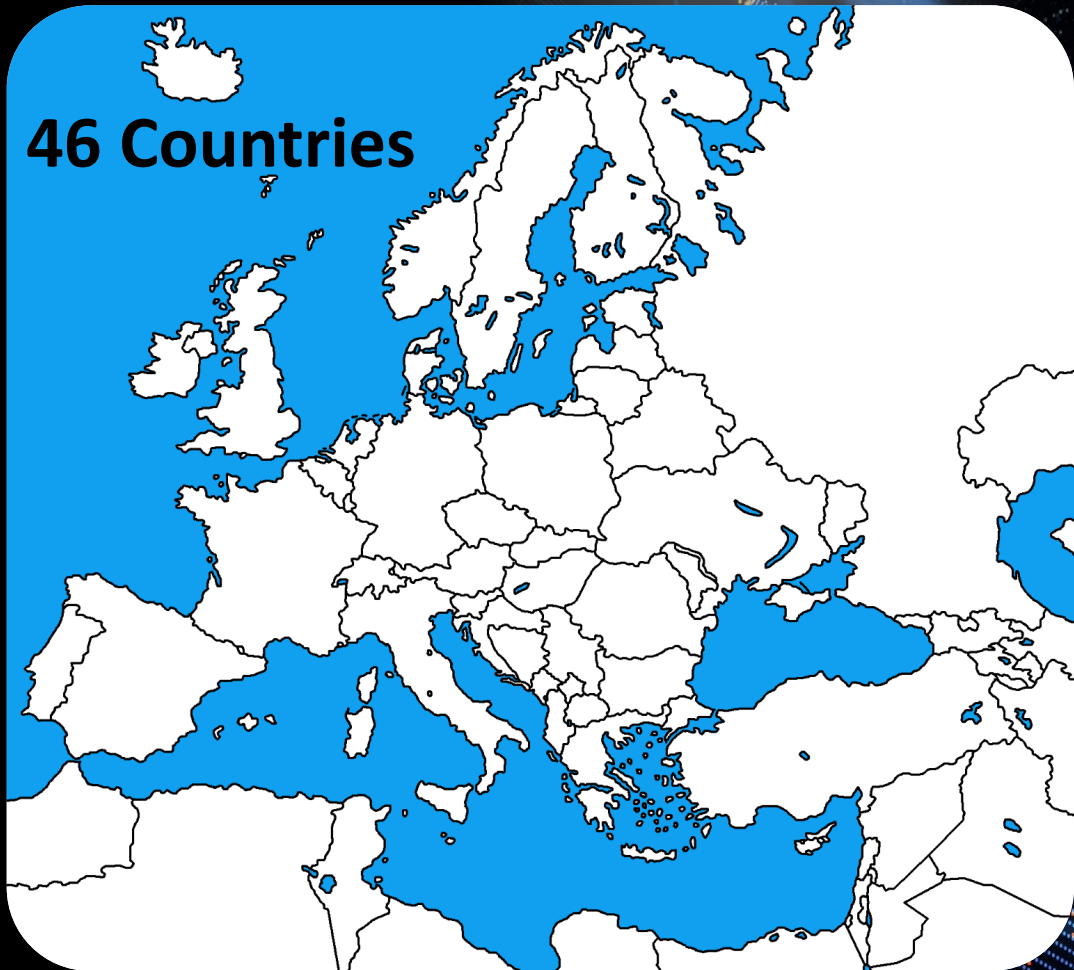


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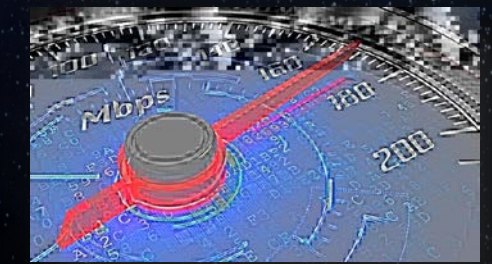
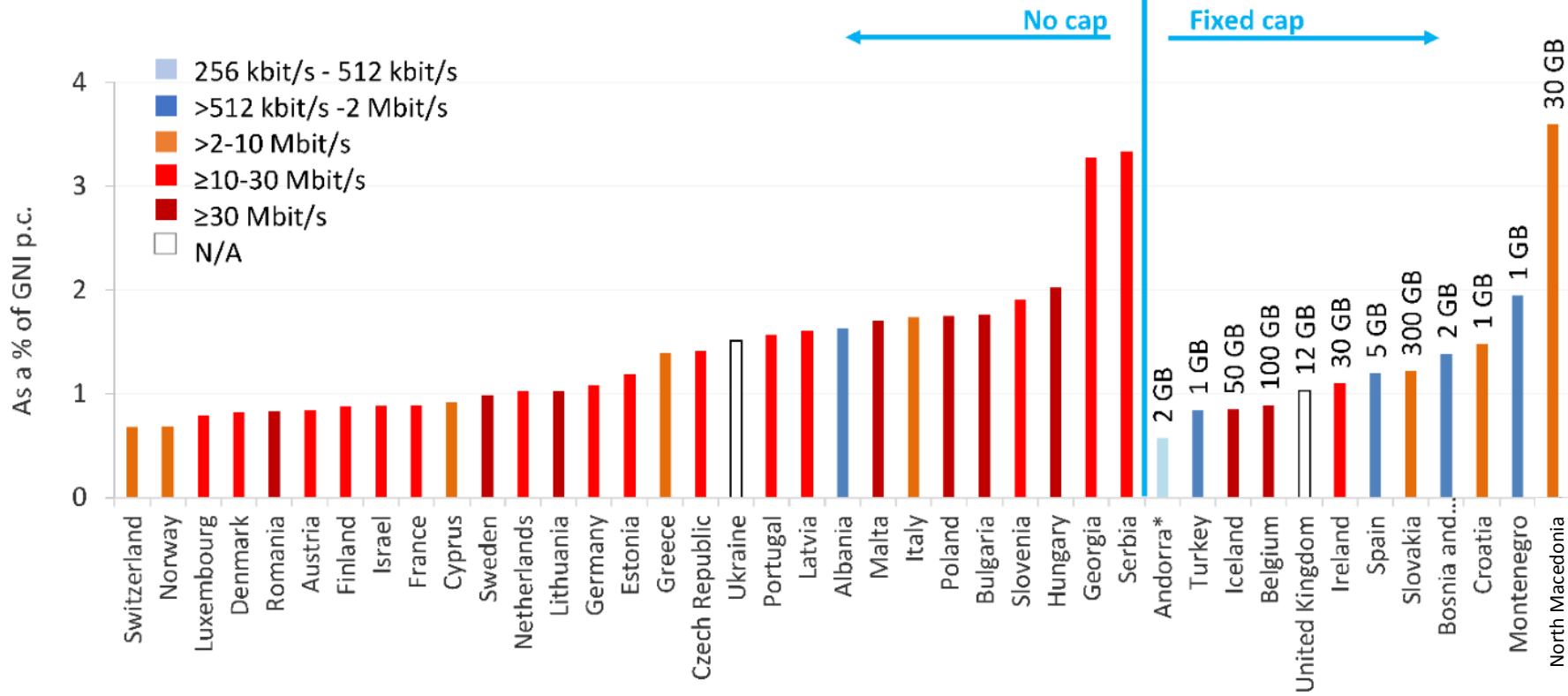


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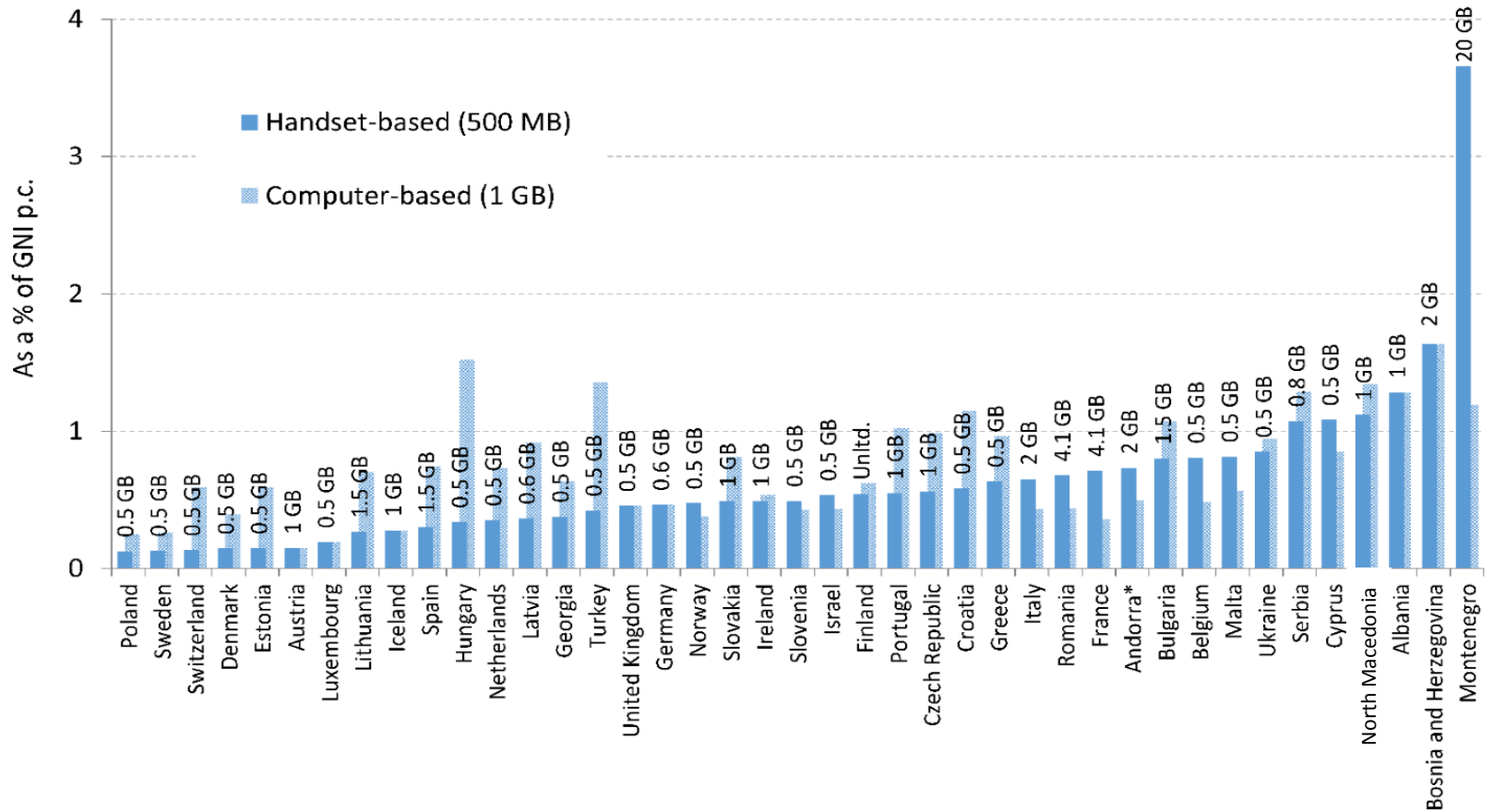


## Fixed-broadband prices as % of GNI p.c., Europe





## Mobile-broadband prices as % of GNI per capita, Europe



# PRIORITIES 2018-2021

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ICT  
Infrastructure



Digitization  
e-Services



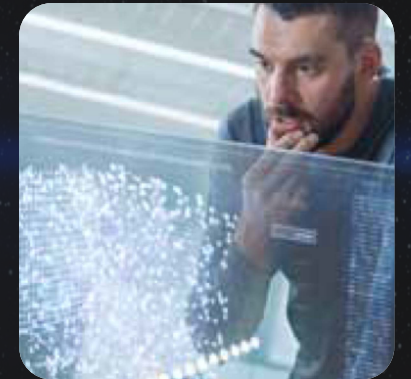
Digital  
Inclusion



Cybersecurity



Innovation



# INFRASTRUCTURE



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# DIGITIZATION and e-SERVICES



To facilitate the development of transformative and paperless citizen-centric services that are accessible and available to all members of society.

# DIGITAL INCLUSION

To bridge the digital divide and equip all groups of society, including persons with disabilities and specific needs, to take advantage of ICT, by enabling capacity building in digital skills.



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# DIGITAL INCLUSION



Promoting digital literacy, digital skills and e-education  
Developing regional and in-country capacity building on coding and computer programming tools that will be available to all, including persons with disabilities and specific needs.



# CYBERSECURITY



To support the deployment of resilient infrastructure and secure services allowing all citizens, especially children, to use information and communication technologies (ICTs) in their daily lives with confidence.

# ICT Centric INNOVATION



To enhance entrepreneurship and establish a sustainable culture of innovation through concrete strategic actions using information and communication technology (ICT) as an enabler, building on the existing regional initiative in Europe on entrepreneurship, innovation and youth.



# Regional Initiatives for Europe

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Broadband infrastructure, broadcasting and spectrum management

A citizen-centric approach to building services for national administrations

Accessibility, affordability and skills development for all to ensure digital inclusion and sustainable development

Enhancing trust and confidence in the use of information and communication technologies

ICT-centric innovation ecosystems





# Implementation Framework

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**Provisional Final Report**

**World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-17)**  
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 9-20 October 2017



ITUWDC BUENOS AIRES 2017

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF ACHIEVEMENTS



**REGIONAL INITIATIVES**  
Implementing Buenos Aires Action Plan

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International Telecommunication Union  
Telecommunication Development Bureau

Logo  
«Partner name»

Project Budget Number:  
Project Title: International Telecommunication Union - «partner name»  
Project Short Title: ITU-«partner name»  
Start Date: June 2012  
Estimated End Date:  
Government Coop. Agency: Ministries in charge of ICTs, Regulatory bodies, Ministries of Education, International Telecommunication Union  
Project Site: ITU Headquarters, Geneva  
Beneficiary Country: Administrators, Regulators, Operators in countries of Central and Eastern Europe  
ITU Project Manager: Jaroslav Pander

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS	
Project Budget	USD
Project Personnel	
Equipment	
Training of Trainers	
Facilities	
Monitoring & Evaluation	
Miscellaneous	
ITU Admin Support Cost	
<b>Total:</b>	
Cost Sharing	
Participating countries Contribution (in kind)	
- Training	
- Training Room / Business Centre	
- Communication Facilities	
- Infrastructure	

**Brief Description:**  
This project aims at assisting Member States in order to offer e-accessibility (including Internet, information access and digital television) to blind people and people with visual impairment problems. To achieve this objective, ITU shall jointly with countries in Central and Eastern Europe promote the e-accessibility initiative and help them to achieve this goal through the creation of national and regional specialized libraries/databases in order to provide large-scale access via Internet for blind people and people with impairment problems; the establishment of relevant facilities (hardware and software) and implementation of training for users and instructors; the promotion and the fostering widespread adoption of access services via digital television.

On Behalf of: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_  
ITU: \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Brahim Sanou Director of BOT

# Implementing Regional Initiatives

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ITU REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM FOR EUROPE

**Call for Contributions**  
Submissions at [EURregion@itu.int](mailto:EURregion@itu.int)

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Monday, 6 May 2019  
Rome, Italy

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ICT Infrastructure | Digitisation | ICT Accessibility | Cybersecurity | Innovation  
Regional Initiatives for Europe | Projects | Study Groups | Partnerships | Membership

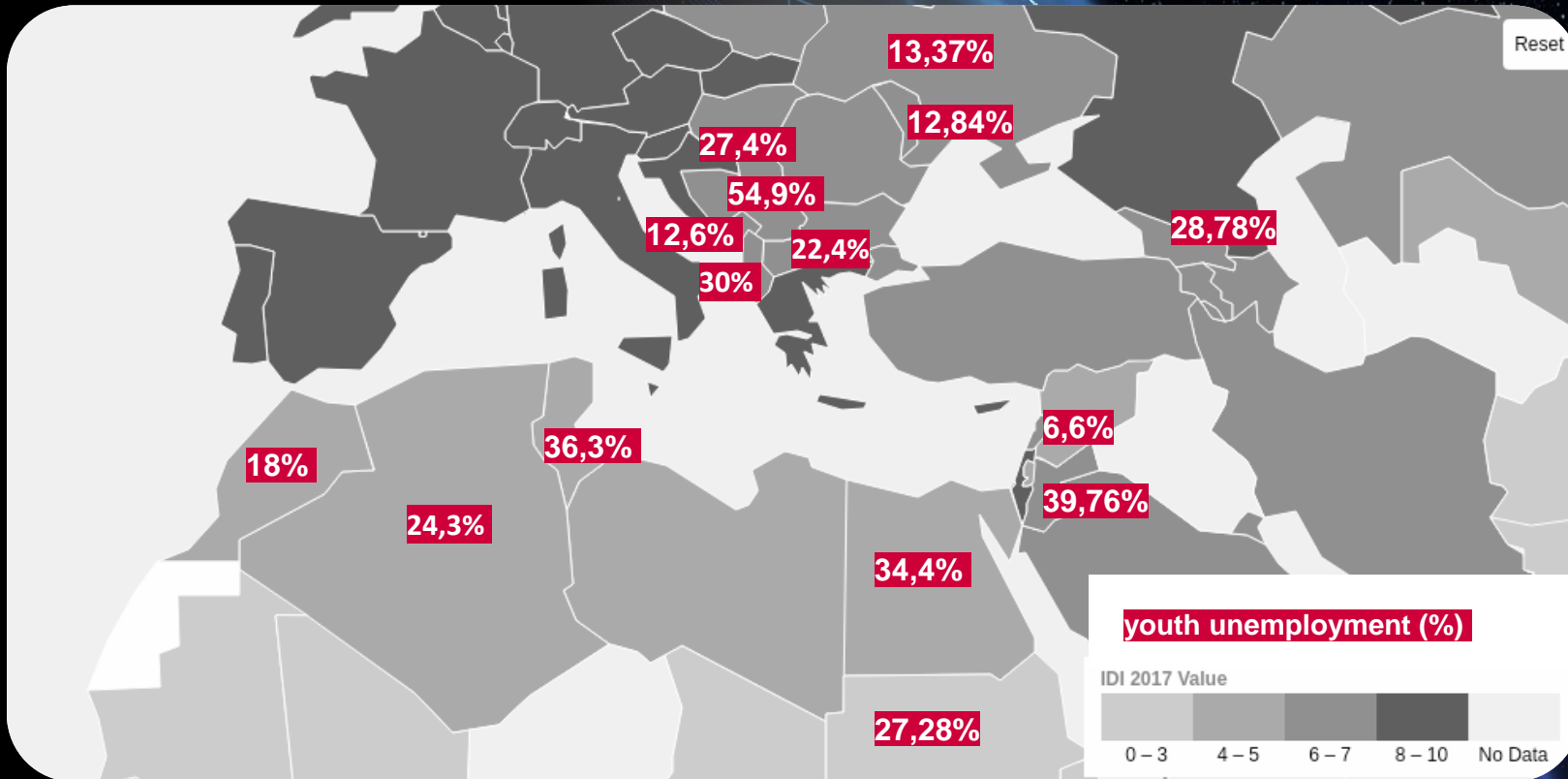


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#ICT4SDG



# Fostering Digital Skills for Digital Future EUROPE



ICT Development Index (IDI) Youth Unemployment Rate (2017)



**66 millions**  
youth worldwide  
unemployed



**10 millions**  
jobs with advanced  
digital skills



**60%**

of CIO concerned by  
technology shortage



source : ITU; Harvey Nash CIO survey 2015

# Fostering Digital Skills for Digital Future EUROPE



# Examples of Projects under Development

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## Building Digital Skills for Digital Economy in the Mediterranean Region (1.2 Mio. USD)

- Union Mediterranean, European Commission, ILO, UNIDO, Development Agencies, Others

## Building Cybersecurity Capacities (500K USD)

- Development Agencies, European Union, Administrations, Others

## Making Web Accessibility Reality (250K USD)

- Development Agencies, European Disability Forum, Administrations, Others

## Investment Opportunities Map (100K USD)

- UKE, European Commission, Administrations, Development Banks

## Innovative Digital Solutions for Accessible Europe (100K USD)

- Mobile Operators, EC, EDF, G3ICT, Others

## Fostering ICT-Centric Innovation Ecosystems (300K USD)

- Development Agencies, Administrations, Others

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Thank You!!!

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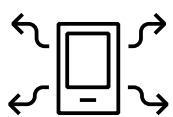


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# ITU Contribution to WSIS and SDG

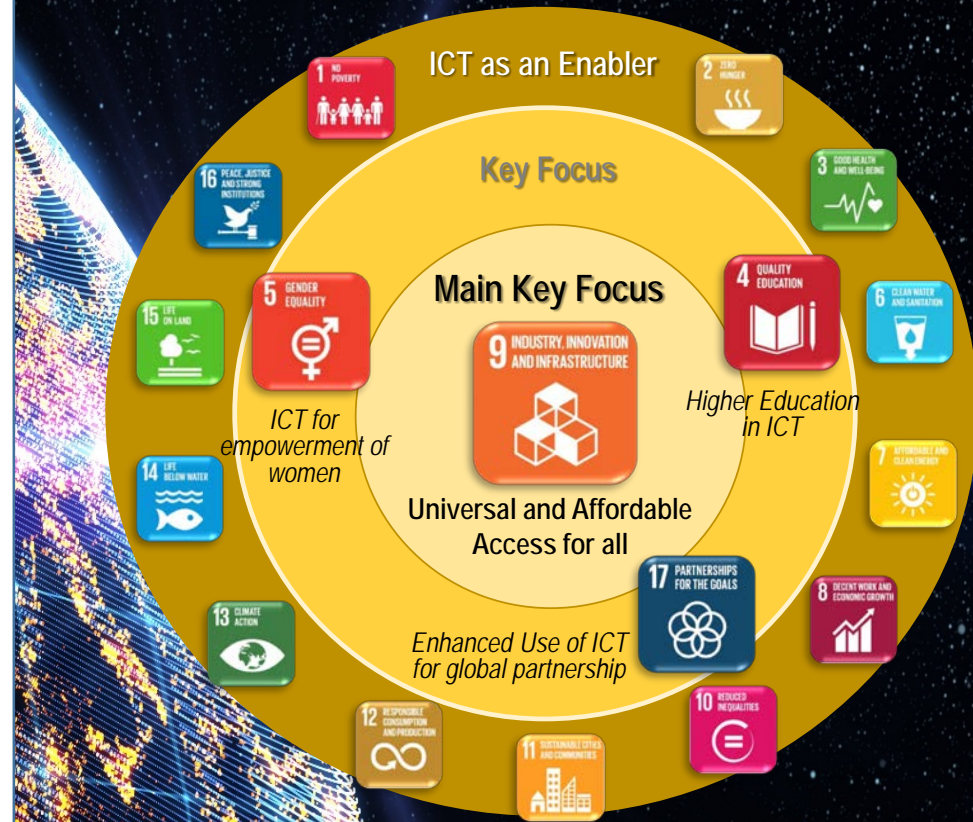
## ICTs as a key enabler



**ICTs improve access to basic services**  
like education and healthcare, create jobs, and empower communities



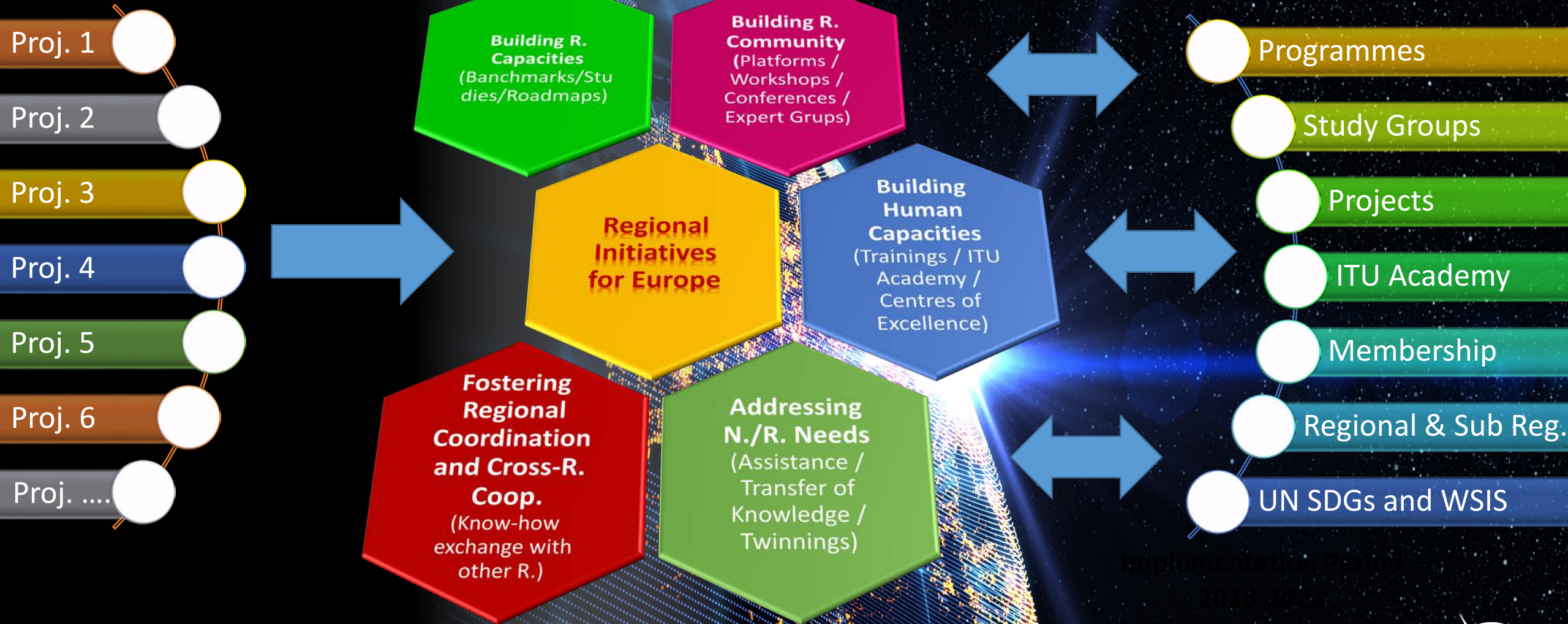
WSIS Action Lines as foundation for contribution to achievement of Sustainable Development Goals





# Building Blocks & Impact of Initiatives

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working together towards  
2025

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