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I have the honour to transmit to the Member States of the Council a contribution submitted by the **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**.

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 Secretary-General

Contribution from the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

PROPOSED THEMES FOR THE NEXT World Telecommunication/ICT   
Policy Forum (WTPF)

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| Summary  This contribution proposes themes for the next ITU **World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (WTPF)**  Action required  Algeria invites the Council to take note of the content of this contribution and adopt the themes proposed.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  References  *[Resolution 2 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts/RES-002-E.pdf); Document* [*C13/64(Rev.1)*](https://www.itu.int/md/S13-CL-C-0064/en) |

Preamble

**The ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (WTPF)** was established by the 1994 Kyoto Plenipotentiary Conference and is now covered by the provisions of Resolution 2 (Rev. Dubai, 2018). WTPF was successfully convened in 1996, 1998, 2001, 2009, and 2013.

The purpose of WTPF is to **provide a venue for exchanging views and information** and thereby creating a shared vision among policy-makers worldwide on the issues arising from the emergence of new telecommunication/ICT services and technologies, and to consider any other general policy issue in telecommunications/ICTs which would benefit from a global exchange of views, in addition to the adoption of opinions reflecting common viewpoints.

In **Resolution 2 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), the Plenipotentiary Conference *resolves* to hold WTPF preferably back-to-back with the WSIS Forum 2021**, taking account of the need to ensure adequate preparation by Member States.

Resolution 2 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) instructs the ITU Council to continue to decide on the duration, date, venue, agenda and themes of any future WTPF;

Proposed themes:

– **Regulation of OTTs;**

– **Cybersecurity and threats to individuals and businesses linked to the use of emerging technologies that has not been studied (IoT, Big Data, artificial intelligence, block chain, etc.);**

– **The role of States in Internet governance.**

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