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| **Summary**This document presents an outline of the annual Report of ITU’s Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes for 2021, the complete and final report will be submitted to the CWG WSIS&SDGs in January 2022.**Action required**Members are invited to note the report “ITU’s contribution to the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes for 2021”.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**References**ITU’s contribution to the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes is an annual report presenting activities of the three sectors and General Secretariat.Please find all annual reports here: <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-wsis/Pages/Contribution.aspx> [ECOSOC Res 2021/28](https://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=E/RES/2021/28); [www.wsis.org/forum](http://www.wsis.org/forum); [UNGA Resolution A/RES/70/125](https://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/70/125); [UNGA Resolution A/RES/70/1](http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/70/1); [UNGA Resolution A/70/299](http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/70/299); [UNGA Resolution A/70/684](https://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/70/684); UNGA Resolution [A/RES/73/218](http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/73/218); [UNGA Resolution A/71/212](http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/70/212); [UN ECOSOC Resolution E/RES/2020/212](https://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=E/RES/2020/12); [UN ECOSOC Resolution E/RES/2020/12](https://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=E/RES/2020/12); [UNGA Resolution A/RES/75/202](https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N20/379/41/PDF/N2037941.pdf?OpenElement); [PP-18 Resolution 140 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Documents/Resolution-140-PP18.pdf); [PP-14 Resolution 140 (Rev. Busan 2014)](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Documents/ITUPP14_RESOLUTION_140.pdf); [PP-10 Resolution 172 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010)](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Documents/Resolution172-PP10.pdf); [Council Resolution 1332 (Modified 2019)](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-CL-C-0137/en); [*Reports of 18th, 19th, 20th,21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th , 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th CWG WSIS meetings*](http://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Pages/default.aspx)*;* [*WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes*](http://www.itu.int/net/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/inc/doc/outcome/362828V2E.pdf)*;* [*WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS beyond 2015*](http://www.itu.int/net/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/inc/doc/outcome/362828V2E.pdf)*;* [*Final WSIS Target Review*](http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/publications/wsisreview2014/WSIS2014_review.pdf)*;* [*WSIS+10 Report: ITU’s Ten Year Contribution to the WSIS Implementation and Follow-up (2005-2014)*](https://www.itu.int/en/itu-wsis/Documents/WSIS%2B10Report.pdf)*;* [WTDC 2017 Resolution 30 (REV. Buenos Aires, 2017)](https://www.itu.int/md/D14-WTDC17-C-0115/en) , [WTSA-16 Resolution 75 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016)](https://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-t/opb/res/T-RES-T.75-2016-PDF-E.pdf). |

**Report on ITU’S Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (2021)**

ITU Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes 2021 will provide an overview of ITU activities and projects undertaken since December 2020 related to the implementation of WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This report intends to present detailed information on the key WSIS related initiatives and activities from all the three ITU sectors (Standardization, Radiocommunication and the Development Sector) and the General Secretariat.

In 2021, ITU initiated, facilitated and implemented many of activities and projects related to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes showcasing direct linkages with the SDGs. In addition, as the leading UN specialized agency focusing on ICTs and in collaboration with stakeholders, ITU has been highlighting the role of ICTs (WSIS Action Lines) and their contribution to the social, economic and environmental development and the fight against COVID-19 to help build back better.

The annual report aims to highlight updates on the tasks carried out by the ITU at the operational and policy level, covering all assigned mandates with reference to the WSIS Process, in particular:

* Lead facilitator (along with UNESCO and UNDP) in coordinating the multistakeholder implementation of the Geneva Plan of Action.
* Facilitator of Action Lines C2 (Information and communication infrastructure), C5 (Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs); and C6 (Enabling Environment).
* Co-facilitator of Action Lines C1, C3, C4, C7 and C11; and partner for C8 and C9.
* Rotating Chair of the United Nations Group on Information Society (UNGIS).
* Steering committee member of the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Measurement.
* Facilitator of the WSIS Stocktaking process.
* Initiator and facilitator of the WSIS Prizes.
* Implementer of other WSIS outcomes.

The annual report will be submitted to the Council Working Group WSIS&SDG for information and will be considered as the official submissions from ITU for different internal and external WSIS and SDGs process related meetings, such as the ITU Council, UNCSTD and other WSIS related meetings. The report will also be submitted to the meetings and official calls related to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, highlighting the crosscutting role of ICTs in achieving the SDGs.

The *ITU Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes 2021* Report will be available soon and the previous reports are available at: <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-wsis/Pages/Contribution.aspx>.

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