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| ROADMAP FOR ITU'S ACTIVITIES TO HELP ACHIEVE THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT |
| **Purpose**The document highlights ITU’s activities and engagements that are advancing the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.**Action required**The Council Working Group on WSIS and the SDGs is invited **to note** this document. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**References**[CWG-WSIS&SDG website](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Pages/default.aspx); Council document [WSIS&SDG39/22](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CWGWSIS39-C-0022/en); PP Res. [140](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts-2023/RES-140-E.pdf); Council [Res. 1332](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0119/en), [1334](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0120/en); UNGA Resolutions [A/RES/70/125](https://undocs.org/Home/Mobile?FinalSymbol=A%2FRES%2F70%2F125&Language=E&DeviceType=Desktop&LangRequested=False), [A/RES/70/1](https://undocs.org/Home/Mobile?FinalSymbol=A%2FRES%2F70%2F1&Language=E&DeviceType=Desktop&LangRequested=False), [A/RES/77/150](https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N22/755/00/pdf/N2275500.pdf?OpenElement); UN ECOSOC Resolution [E/RES/2023/3](https://undocs.org/E/RES/2023/3); [PP-10 Resolution 172 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010)](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Documents/Resolution172-PP10.pdf); [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](https://www.itu.int/net/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/inc/doc/outcome/362828V2E.pdf#page=21); [Final WSIS Targets 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) [World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20: WSIS beyond 2025 - WSIS+20 Roadmap;](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-CL-C-0059/en)  |

1. In line with Resolution 1332 (Modified 2023) and taking into account the overall mandate of ITU and its role as the specialized United Nations agency for ICTs, the Roadmap for ITU actions related to the SDGs remain a living document giving course to ITU actions related to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and SDGs.
2. During ITU PP-22, Member States and sector members reemphasized on the importance of telecommunications/ICTs as an enabler that harnesses the potential of and opportunities resulting from digital innovation which can benefit the socio-economic development of the countries concerned and help achieve the 17 SDGs. In Resolution 71 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on Strategic plan for the Union for 2024-2027, Member States highlighted the necessity of contributing to the worldwide efforts to achieve the SDGs in close alignment with the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) process. The [WSIS Action Lines and SDGs matrix](http://www.wsis.org/sdg) developed in collaboration with the UN agencies involved in the implementation of WSIS activities also clearly highlights the linkages between the 18 WSIS Action Lines and SDGs. The sector objectives, in particular the objectives and outputs of BDT and TSB, and intersectoral objectives are also well linked to the WSIS Action Lines, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, currently further development of the tool is being planned. An [ITU SDG Mapping Tool](https://www.itu.int/sdgmappingtool) was developed using the WSIS Stocktaking database and submissions by the Sectors and the GS on their activities.
3. Since 2016, as resolved by ITU membership in Resolution 1332 (Modified 2023), the WSIS framework is used as the foundation through which ITU helps achieve the 2030 Agenda.
4. In order to maximize ITU's contribution to the 2030 Agenda, ITU's primary focus is in addressing **SDG 9** (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) and Target 9.c aiming to significantly increase access to ICTs and provide universal and affordable access to the Internet. That is to enable ICT and telecommunications to be a catalyzer towards fast forwarding all SDGs. As **SDG 17** (Partnership for the Goals) highlights ICTs as a means of implementation, with crosscutting transformative potential, it is imperative that ITU leverages this broad impact. Notable SDGs where ITU has a particularly strong impact include **SDG 11** (Sustainable Cities and Communities), **SDG 10** (Reduced Inequalities), **SDG 8** (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 1 (No Poverty), **SDG 3** (Good-Health and Well-Being), **SDG 4** (Quality Education) and **SDG 5** (Gender Equality).
5. In terms of the environmental dimension of sustainable development, ITU’s work on using digital technologies for monitoring, mitigating and adapting to climate change, protecting human health and the environment from e-waste, facilitating digital solutions for energy efficiency, as well as ITU’s efforts to green its own operations, help to address various SDGs, including **SDG 7** (Affordable and Clean Energy), **SDG 12** (Responsible Consumption and Production), **SDG 13** (Climate Action), **SDG 14** (Life Below Water) and **SDG 15** (Life on Land).
6. The Roadmap is made available in Annex I.

**Annex I**

**DRAFT ROADMAP OF ITU ACTIONS RELATED TO THE SDGs**

At the heart of the [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld)​, are the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are an urgent call for action by all countries in a global partnership. ITU takes an active role in promoting and addressing the SDGs through the use of ICTs. ITU is committed to working with all stakeholders to ensure that ICTs are used to create a more sustainable, equitable, and prosperous future for all. Based on the outcomes of the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference <https://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-s/opb/conf/S-CONF-ACTF-2022-PDF-E.pdf>, ITU's activities in implementing UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development are based on the ITU PP resolutions (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), particularly: Resolution 200, Resolution 204, Resolution 205, Resolution 198, Resolution 184, Resolution 139, Resolution 140, Resolution 131, Resolution 130, Resolution 123, Resolution 102, Resolution 101.

**Implementing the mandate, here are some of the ongoing and planned ITU activities implementing the 2030 Agenda:**

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|  | Ongoing and Planned ITU Activities | SDGs  | WSIS  |
| Promote the development and adoption of affordable and accessible broadband infrastructure | [Broadband Commission](https://www.broadbandcommission.org/), [Partner2Connect](https://www.itu.int/itu-d/sites/partner2connect/)  | SDG 1 (1.4), SDG 8 (8.2), SDG 9 (9.1, 9.a, 9.c), SDG 11 (11.5, 11.b) | WSIS Action Line C2: Information and communication infrastructure |
| Support the development of digital skills and literacy programs. | [GIGA initiative](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Initiatives/GIGA/Pages/default.aspx), [Centres of Excellence (CoEs)](https://academy.itu.int/itu-d/projects-activities/centres-excellence), [ITU Academy Training Centres (ATCs)](https://academy.itu.int/itu-d/projects-activities/itu-academy-training-centres), [Digital Transformation Centres (DTC) initiative](https://academy.itu.int/itu-d/projects-activities/digital-transformation-centres-initiative.), ITU-R capacity building programme, two Regional Radiocommunication Seminars have been conducted: [RRS-23-Americas](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/seminars/rrs/RRS-23-Americas/Pages/default.aspx), and [RRS-23-Africa](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/seminars/rrs/RRS-23-Africa/Pages/default.aspx) | SDG 1 (1.b), SDG 2, SDG 3 (3.7, 3.b, 3.d), SDG 4 (4.4, 4.7), SDG 5 (5.5, 5.b), SDG 6 (6.a), SDG 12 (12.7, 12.8, 12.a, 12.b), SDG 13 (13.2, 13.3, 13.b), SDG 14 (14.a), SDG (16.a), SDG 17 (17.9, 17.18) | WSIS Action Line C4: Capacity Building |
| Develop Innovative financing mechanisms/ Address affordability barriers to ICT access | Work of ITU Study Groups ([ITU-D](https://www.itu.int/en/mediacentre/backgrounders/Pages/itu-study-groups.aspx), [ITU-T](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2022-2024/Pages/default.aspx), [ITU-R](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/study-groups/Pages/default.aspx)), [ITU Policy Briefs](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/publications/prices2022/ITU_Price_Brief_2022.pdf), [Compendium of practices on innovative financing for smart sustainable cities projects](https://www.itu.int/en/publications/Documents/tsb/2023-U4SSC-Compendium-Practices-Innovative-Financing-SSC-Projects/index.html#p=1), |  | Financial Mechanisms for Information Society |
| e-government, e-commerce, and other digital services | ITU-Estonia-GIZ-DIAL Digital Government project: the [GovStack initiative](https://www.govstack.global/), [Smart Islands](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/ICT-Applications/Pages/smart-islands.aspx),  | SDG 1 (1.4), SDG 2 (2.3), SDG 5 (5.b), SDG 8 (8.3, 8.9, 8.10), SDG 9 (9.c, 9.b), SDG 16 (16.6, 16.7,16.10), SDG 17 (17.8, 17.11),  | WSIS Action Line C1 / Action Line C7 e-government/ Action Line C7 e-business  |
| Promote the use of ICTs for gender equality and empowerment | [EQUALS](https://www.equalsintech.org/about), [Girls in ICT Day](https://www.itu.int/women-and-girls/girls-in-ict/), other initiatives available [here](https://www.itu.int/en/mediacentre/backgrounders/Pages/bridging-the-gender-divide.aspx) | SDG 5 | Cuts across all WSIS Action Lines  |
| Enhance the security and resilience of ICT infrastructure | [Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA)](https://www.itu.int/en/action/cybersecurity/Pages/gca.aspx), [ITU-T Study Group 17 (SG17)](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/17/Pages/default.aspx), [Women in Cyber Mentorship Programme](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Cybersecurity/Pages/Women-in-Cyber/Women-in-Cyber-Mentorship-Programme.aspx), [Child Online Protection (COP) Initiative](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Cybersecurity/Pages/COP/COP.aspx),  | SDG 1 (1.4), SDG 4 (4.1, 4.3,4.5), SDGs 5 (5.b), SDGs 7 (7.1, 7.a, 7.b), SDG 8 (8.1), SDGs 9 (9.1, 9.c), 11.3, 11.b, 16.2, 17.8 | WSIS Action line C5: Building Confidence and Security in the use of ICTs |
| Promote the meaningful adoption of emerging technologies | [Emerging technologies, ITU](https://www.itu.int/highlights-report-activities/2022-2023/sustainable-networks/emerging-technologies/)active monitoring of new/emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), and quantum information technologies (QIT) and works with other UN agencies to ensure such technologies develop along lines that will contribute to the greater good, [AI for Good Global Summit](https://aiforgood.itu.int/summit23/), [Space Sustainable Development](https://www.itu.int/hub/2023/10/securing-sustainable-development-in-and-from-space/) | Cuts across all SDGs | Cuts across all WSIS Action Lines  |
| Tackle the [environment and climate change](https://www.itu.int/en/action/environment-and-climate-change/Pages/default.aspx), development and adoption of sustainable ICT solutions, including energy-efficient technologies and e-waste management practices | [ITU/WMO/UNESCO IOC Joint Task Force,](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/climatechange/task-force-sc/Pages/default.aspx) [ITU-T Study Group 5](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/05/Pages/default.aspx), [ITU-T Global Portal on Environment and Sustainable Digital Transformation](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/climatechange/resources/Pages/env-and-ssc.aspx) , [DPGA's Climate Change Adaptation Community of Practice](https://digitalpublicgoods.net/DPGA-Climate_Change_Adaptation_Report.pdf), [Collecting Data on ICT Industry GHG emissions](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Environment/Documents/Publications/2022/Greening-Digital-Companies-22June2022.pdf), [Green Digital Action at COP28](https://www.itu.int/hub/green-digital-action-cop28/) | SGD 9 (9.4), SDG 11 (11.6, 11.b), SDG 13 (13.1, 13.3, 13.b), SDG 14, SDG 15 | C7- e environment |
| Enabling an ICT policy and regulatory environment | [ICT Regulatory Tracker and the G5 Benchmark](https://app.gen5.digital/tracker/metrics), [G5 Benchmark](https://app.gen5.digital/benchmark/metrics), [Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR),](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Conferences/GSR/Pages/GSR.aspx) [ICT policy Impact Lab](https://app.gen5.digital/lab?_ga=2.69490647.679569789.1633378178-1308883844.1626703708&_gl=1*abllnq*_ga*MTMwODg4Mzg0NC4xNjI2NzAzNzA4*_ga_27GW57NRWK*MTYzMzQyMDI5My42Mi4xLjE2MzM0MjA1NDAuMA..), [Digital Regulation Handbook and Platform](https://digitalregulation.org/), [Global ICT Regulatory Outlook (GIRO) series](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regulatory-Market/Pages/Policy-%26-Regulatory-Frameworks.aspx), [ITU-D Study Group 1](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Study-Groups/2022-2025/Pages/reference/scope.aspx),  | SDG 2 (2.a), SDG 4 (4.4), SDG 5 (5.b), SDG 8 (8.2, 8.3), SDG 9 (9.1, 9.c), SDG 10 (10.3), SDG 11 (11.3, 11.b), SDG 16 (16.3, 16.6, 16.7, 16.10, 16.b), SDG 17 (17.6, 17.14, 17.16) | WSIS Action Line C6: Enabling Environment |
| Enhancing Digital for Development | [SDG Digital Acceleration Agenda](https://www.sdg-digital.org/accelerationagenda), [SDG Digital](https://www.sdg-digital.org/) 2023,  |  | WSIS Forum, WSIS Prizes, WSIS Stocktaking, |
| Digital Cooperation on Digital for Development and UN System Wide Collaboration | HLPF, [Summit of the Future](https://www.un.org/en/common-agenda/summit-of-the-future), [Our Common Agenda including its Global Digital Compact](https://www.un.org/techenvoy/global-digital-compact/intergovernmental-process), Briefings Geneva and New York missions |  | UNGIS, UN WSIS Action Line Facilitators  |



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