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*The importance of promoting Universities to participate
actively in the work of ICTs
The Argentine experience*



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The importance of promoting an active participation of Universities in ICT activities:

- Opportunity to acquire **specific knowledge on the ICT sector**;
- Generates **qualified local human resources**;
- Promotes **networking and innovation** by bringing all partners together:
Government, Private Sector, Industry, and Academia;
- Facilitates **recruitment programmes** (related to increasing employment and jobs generation);
- Contributes to the **development and growth** of the country.



This initiative contributes to the achievement of the **Sustainable Development Goals** of the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**:



But it's related to many others, since nowadays ICT and digitalization affects all aspects of life:





Initiatives in Argentina:

- Promotion of STEM careers within the country.
- Teaching about International Organizations related to ICTs in Universities.
- Articulating the participation of Universities in ITU:
 - ✓ Resolution 169 (Guadalajara, 2010; Rev. Busan, 2014)
 - ✓ Project: **“Argentinean Universities in ITU”**
 - Financial support for becoming members
 - Promoting the participation in Study Group Meetings, World Conferences and Assemblies (WRC-15, WTSA-16, WTDC-17)
 - Organizing Seminars, Workshops and other events together with ITU
 - Encouraging participation in all activities, and also publications (ITU New, ITU Blog, ITU Journal, etc.).

Results in Argentina:



WSIS PRIZE 2016 - Action Line C1: The role of government and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICTs for development:
“Fostering integration of Argentine Academia in the activities of ITU”

- ✓ More than 15 Universities participating in ITU as Academia associates.
- ✓ 4 Universities already financing their own participation.
- ✓ Argentinean Universities attending activities of all 3 ITU Sectors: Radiocommunication, Standardization and Development.
- ✓ 2 ITU Centres of Excellence in the Americas Region.

Thank you!

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