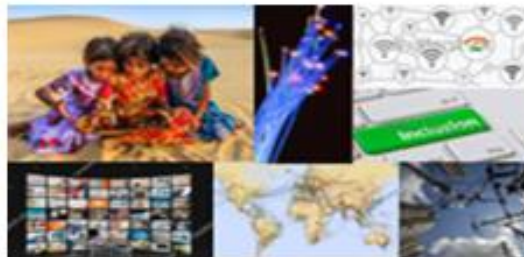


ITU-D Study Groups an insight for working together

STUDY GROUP 1

Enabling environment for the development of telecommunications/ICTs



STUDY GROUP 2

ICT services and applications for the promotion of sustainable development



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ITU-D SGs focus on **hot topics of practical importance for development of ICTs**



The seventh **World Telecommunication Development Conference** (WTDC-17) considered the **latest trends** in telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) development and established the **priorities** of the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) for the interval between two WTDCs.

WTDC-17 (Resolution 2) established **2 Study Groups** in ITU Development Sector and assigned **7 hot topics (Questions)** to each Study Group. The assigned topics have **practical importance** for the development of ICTs, and ITU membership expects **timely, in-depth, concise, focused, and forward-looking reports**.

ITU-D Study Groups (SGs) .. What & How ?

- Managed by Chairperson, Vice Chairs, Rapporteurs (lead Questions) and Vice Rapporteurs with BDT HQ and regional focal points
- Information exchange: contribution-driven and multi-stakeholder – **for members by members**
- Capacity building mechanism: meetings and workshops online/ in headquarters & **in the regions**
- Knowledge platform: repository of case studies, lessons learned, best practices and reports
- Expert exchange: engaging communities of experts on thematic of interest for implementation and for facilitating partnerships and collaboration
- Reports, Guidelines and annual thematic Papers** (annual deliverables) based on inputs through contributions, case studies and surveys **in all UN languages**.

How more inclusive ICT policy and infrastructure could st...
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ITUWebinars
Reflections on COVID-19

ITU-D Study Group Dialogues on Emerging Technologies (Cloud), Digital accessibility, Economic implication on infrastructure, Unsolicited commercial communications, Broadcasting services, E-health, Emergency telecommunications, Environment

27 May 14:00 - 15:30, CEST
 24 June 13:00 - 14:00, CEST
 29 June 14:00 - 15:30, CEST
 2, 3 & 6 July 14:00 - 15:30, CEST
 14 July 14:00 - 15:40, CEST
 15 July 14:00 - 15:30, CEST
 29 July 14:00 - 15:30, CEST

www.itu.int/go/COVID19-dialog

Question 5/2: Utilizing telecommunications/ICTs for disaster risk reduction and management

Annual Deliverable: "Guidelines for conducting national-level emergency telecommunication drills and exercises" **NEW**

(Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish)



Detailed ITU-D SG activities for 2018-2021 cycle in the Chairman Reports to TDAG
SG1 : [TDAG-21/8](#) and SG2 : [TDAG-21/9](#)

ITU-D Study Groups

Final reports 2018 - 2021

www.itu.int/itudsgpub

ITU Publications



ITU-D SGs Management team



The ITU-D study groups work under the leadership of appointed chairmen, vice-chairmen (from **regions**), rapporteurs and vice-rapporteurs (from **regions**), and are supported by BDT HQ and **Regional** focal points and the Study Group Secretariat.

ITU-D Study Group 1 : Enabling Environment for the Development of Telecommunications / ICTs

Chairperson is Ms Regina Fleur ASSOUMOU-BESSOU (Cote D'Ivoire)

Vice Chairpersons from Europe Region are

- Ms Amela Odobašić (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- Mr Vadim Kaptur (Ukraine) **term ending at WTDC**

ITU-D Study Group 2 : ICT services and applications for the promotion of sustainable development

Chairperson is Mr Ahmad Reza SHARAFAT (Islamic Rep. of Iran) **term ending at WTDC**

Vice Chairpersons from Europe Region are

- Ms Alina Modan (Romania)
- Mr Dominique Würges (France)

16 (Co)Rapporteurs and Vice Rapporteurs from Europe region includes 7 female members.

Turkey (7), Switzerland (2), Ukraine, Bosnia & Herzegovina, France, Sweden, Norway, Spain, UK

Future Appointments

Chairs and Vice Chairs

- SG Chair/Vice-Chairs ending their second-term: **1 AFR, 2 AMS, 1 ARB, 4 ASP, 1 CIS, 1 EUR**
- In accordance with [Resolution 208 \(Dubai, 2018\)](#) of the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP) and [Resolution 61 \(Rev. Dubai, 2014\)](#) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC)
- Name and biographical profile sent preferably by **28 February 2022**
- Additions in PP Res. 208 (Dubai, 2018) compared to WTDC Res. 61 (rev. Dubai, 2014):
 - increase from two to **three candidates per region**
 - encourage **candidates from countries without current chairmanship or vice-chairmanship**
 - single individual to hold **1 vice-chair position in 1 Sector**, only in exceptional cases in more than 1 Sector
 - respect equitable **geographical distribution** and promote **developing countries**
 - promote the nomination of **women candidates**

Rapporteurs and Vice Rapporteurs

Circular letter will be issued by ITU **after next WTDC** for ITU-D Membership to submit nominations

More information https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Conferences/WTDC/WTDC21/Pages/SG_TDAG_Appointments.aspx

Working together with ITU



Within ITU-D Study Groups

- Ensure you have your ITU user login as ITU- D Member to **access ITU-D Study Group content restricted to Membership**
- **Submit** Contributions in **all** Questions under Study
- **Join** our next meeting in October 2022 and **intervene** with your experiences/questions
- Be more **active as Rapporteur or Vice Rapporteur AFTER next WTDC**

ITU-D Study Group active collaborator at Regional Office and HQ level

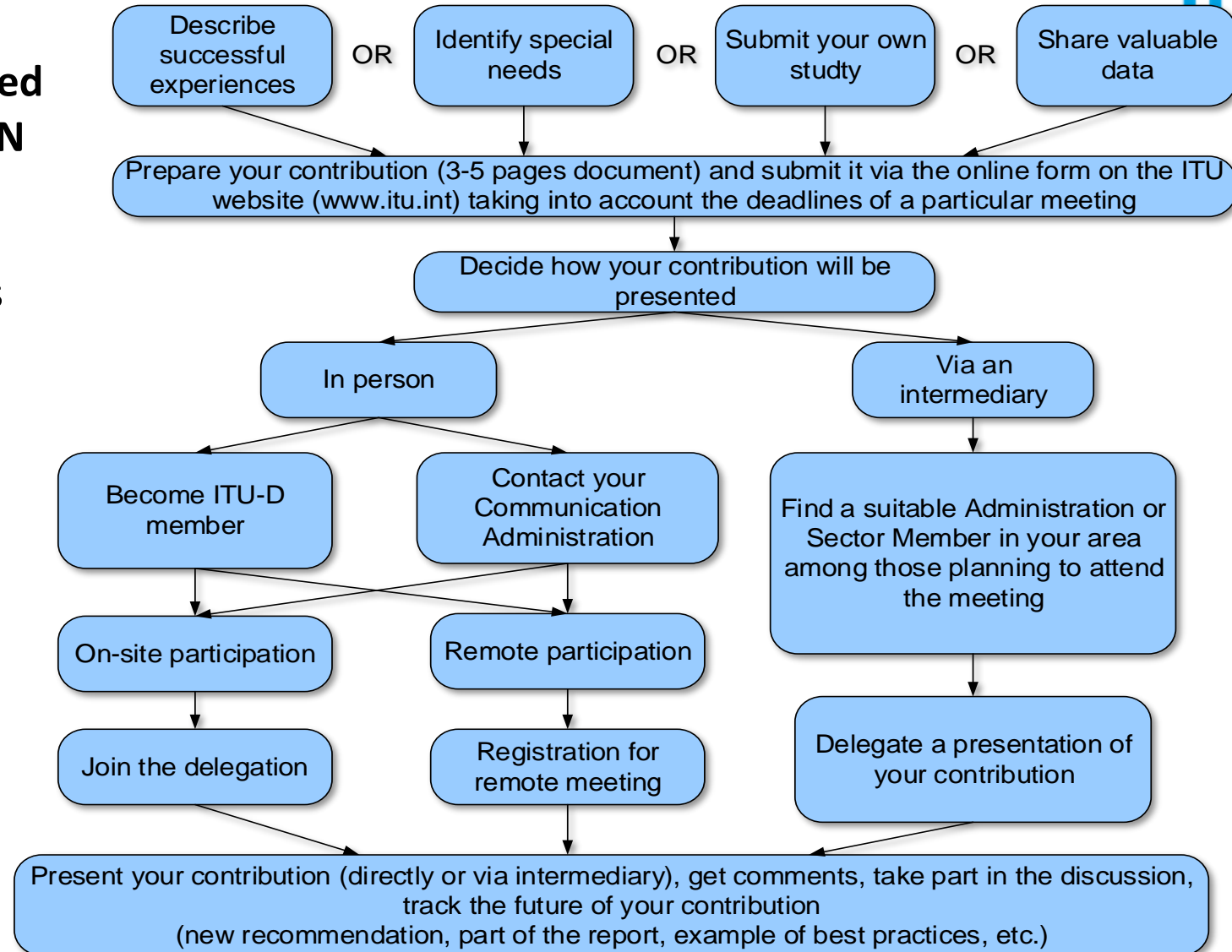
- **Speaker** in events e.g.
 - Future of Television in Asia & Pacific in April 2021(**Q2/1** Vice Rapporteur Ms Jinane Karam)
 - GSR+ RED 2021 e.g for CIS (**Q4/1** Rapporteur Mr Arseny Plossky, Vice Rapporteurs Mr Jorge Martinez and Mr Emanuele Giovannetti and led by Ms Carmen Prado-Wagner, ITU HQ focal point)
 - WSIS 2021 e.g SG2 Chairperson and Mr Oudaa Rapporteur for Question **4/2**
 - Accessible Europe 2021 and for Equal events 2021 e.g Ms Odobasic Rapporteur for Question **7/1** and Mr Giannoumis Vice Rapporteur for Question **7/1**
 - RDF Africa Region 2020 (Vice-Chair Mr Capo), RDF Africa Region & NoW (SG1 Chairperson), NoW (Q5/1 Co-Rapporteur Q5/1 Ms Nyamutswa)
- **Expert** to elaborate/review reports, toolkits, training material e.g. Mr Vadim Kaptur for the Last Mile Connectivity Toolkit

Working together at ITU-D SG level



Provide a written contribution (max 5 pages) which are translated and provided to member in all UN languages.

The work of ITU-D study groups is based on **contributions** from ITU Members and Administrations, sector members (industry), observers, other international organizations, and academia. Hence, study groups are in **continuous need of quality and substantive contributions, case studies and lessons learned.**



Working together at ITU-D SG level



Examples of contributions received from Europe region

- Online Training Course on Emerging Technology for the Last Mile Connectivity [[SG1RGQ/428](#)]
- Country experience in mapping as well as shared use and joint construction of infrastructure for deployment broadband networks [[1/447](#)]
- Futures By Design: Enabling Soft Digital Network Infrastructures, by developing Digital Tools and Data Driven Innovations for SMEs in the North Sea Region [[1/413](#)]
- Digital Inclusion to reduce the digital divide by means of ICTs [[1/455](#)]
- Liaison statement from EaPeReg to ITU-D Study Groups 1 and 2 on collaboration [[1/464](#)]

Europe region **developed countries** to consider sharing

- case studies, trends, pilot projects, developmental projects calls from developed countries

Join our October 2021 meetings – taking place now



As per TDAG May 2021 decision (agenda item 9.1 in [TDAG-21/DT/7 Rev2](#)), the SG meetings will be held in October 2021 and will, **amongst other** further refine ToRs text of Questions (see table in [TDAG-21/10 Rev1](#)) for use **until next WTDC in June**

Meetings	Meeting dates	Deadline for interpretation requests	Deadline for documents with translation	Deadline for documents without translation
SG1	11-15 Oct 2021	26 August 2021	26 August 2021	28 September 2021
SG2	18-22 Oct 2021	26 August 2021	2 September 2021	5 October 2021

More information is on the [ITU-D Study Groups web page](#)
All ITU-D members are welcome to join us in the discussions!

Join our future meetings in 2022

To be confirmed



At ITU Headquarters in Geneva, after WTDC - the start of a new study cycle

[SG1RGQ/ADM/75-E](#)

Meeting	Meeting dates	Deadline for fellowship applications	Deadline for interpretation requests	Deadline for document submission with translations facility	Deadline for document submission without translations
SG1	31 October – 4 November 2022	15 September 2022	15 September 2022	15 September 2022	18 October 2022
SG2	7-11 November 2022	15 September 2022	15 September 2022	22 September 2022	25 October 2022

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More Information



ITU-D Study Groups home page: www.itu.int/itu-d/study-groups

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