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Dr. Cosmas Zavazava works in the Telecommunication Development Bureau of the ITU. He is Chief of Department responsible for Capacity Building, Projects, Emergency Telecommunications, Climate Change, E-Waste Management, Statistics and Analysis of ICT and Information Society, Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing States, and Small Island Developing States.

Since 2001, Cosmas Zavazava has been passionately designing and implementing global ICT projects for both sustainable development and disaster management. He has a track record as a high-level multilateral negotiator, resource mobilization, and publishing. He has written on the role of ICT in addressing the unique needs of least developed countries, landlocked developing countries, Small Island Developing States, and matters concerning developing countries in general. He has also written on disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation and disaster response. He recently launched a groundbreaking project on the use of big data to mitigate the impact of the Ebola disease, and epidemics in general.

He taught MBA classes with a focus on strategic business management, management information systems and other related topics. He has spoken at many international conferences to include the Fourth United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries that was held in Istanbul, Turkey in May 2011, the Third United Nations Conference on Small Island Developing States held in Apia, Samoa in August 2014, the Third United Nations Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction held in Sendai, Japan from 14 to 18 March 2015.