



ICT④SDGs: ITU Academia Partnership Platform, London, United Kingdom, 22-23 May 2018



The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is pleased to invite you to participate in the **ICT④SDGs: ITU Academia Partnership Platform: *ICT-enabled Economic Growth, Innovation and Job Creation for Sustainable Development***. This event is being organized in London, United Kingdom, by ITU with the generous support of the London School of Economics (LSE).

The event will bring together some of the leading scholars and authors of the ITU Book on ***“ICT- centric economic growth, innovation and job creation”***. This book highlights the challenges and opportunities that information and communication technologies (ICTs) bring in the areas of innovation, governance, education, job creation and economic growth. ICTs cut across all Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and are enablers of growth and development. As the international community works towards achieving these goals, it is important to remember that access to ICTs is key to socio-economic as well as sustainable development.

Why should you come?

This event will also provide an opportunity for **interactive dialogue** with authors, and **networking, knowledge sharing** and **partnership opportunities** amongst all stakeholders within the **ICT-centric ecosystem** and the development community. ITU membership from public and private sectors and academics to partners ranging from funding agencies, regional and international organizations to financial institutions amongst others will focus on existing and new complementary areas and perspectives for additional collaborative research and partnerships in the digital ecosystem.

Registration will be carried out exclusively **online** at the following link <http://www.itu.int/net3/ITU-D/meetings/registration/>. Once you have submitted the online registration form, you will receive a confirmation of your registration by e-mail. Please note that the **deadline for registration is 30 April 2018**. For any queries regarding registration, please contact: BDTMeetingsRegistration@itu.int



While participation in the event is free, participants shall cover their own travel and accommodation expenses. The event will be conducted in English only. Practical information, including logistical details, is available on the event's website: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Membership/Pages/events/2018/PartnersSDGs/default.aspx>

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact: Ms Andrea Maia, Head, Membership and Private Sector Service, BDT/ITU, E-mail (andrea.maia@itu.int).

We look forward to your active participation in, and fruitful contribution to, this important event.

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