ITU Regional Development Forum for the Asia- Pacific (RDF-ASP) ICT④SDGs:

Towards the implementation of WTDC17 Outcomes
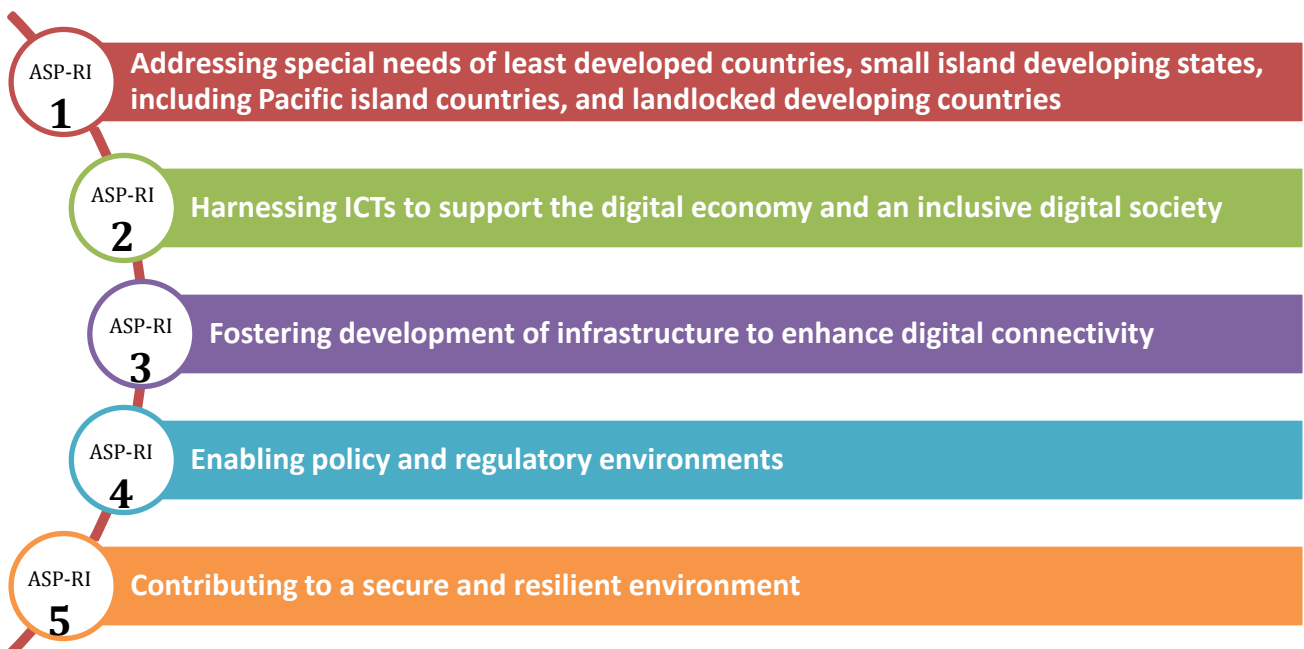
21-22 May 2018

The Sukosol Bangkok Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

DRAFT AGENDA

ITU Asia-Pacific Regional Development Forum (RDF-ASP 2018) on "ICTs for Sustainable Development Goals" aims to provide a platform for high level dialogue for ITU Members (Member States, ITU-D Sector Members, and Academia Members) in the Asia-Pacific Region, development agencies, and partners.

As we start the ITU Development Sector (ITU-D) Operational Cycle 2018-2021, the Forum will focus on the strategic context for the ITU Members in the Asia-Pacific region provided by the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2017. RDF-ASP 2018 will report on the Buenos Aires Action Plan (BaAP), with particular emphasis on the five Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives (ASP-RI) 2018-2021 that have been decided by the Members during WTDC-17.

ASP-RI 1 — **Addressing special needs of least developed countries, small island developing states, including Pacific island countries, and landlocked developing countries**

ASP-RI 2 — **Harnessing ICTs to support the digital economy and an inclusive digital society**

ASP-RI 3 — **Fostering development of infrastructure to enhance digital connectivity**

ASP-RI 4 — **Enabling policy and regulatory environments**

ASP-RI 5 — **Contributing to a secure and resilient environment**

RDF-ASP 2018 will strongly encourage Memberships' feedback, partnership opportunities, proposals and recommendations to contribute to as well as guide BDT's work in the Asia-Pacific region.

Day 1: 21 May 2018	
07:30-08:30	**Delegates' Registration**
08:30-09:30	**Opening Session** • H.E. Dr. Pichet Durongkaveroj, Minister, Ministry of Digital Economy and Society of Thailand • Mr. Brahima Sanou, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), ITU
09:30-10:00	**Group Photo and Coffee Break**
10:00-11:00	**Session 1: ICT for Sustainable Development Goals : WTDC 17 Outcomes** *Objective: This session will share the outcomes of the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2017, which was held around the theme of ICTs for Sustainable Development Goals.* Presentation *WTDC-17 Outcomes, Buenos Aires Action Plan 2018-21, Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives 2018-2021* • *Mr. Ioane Koroivuki, Regional Director, ITU Regional Office for Asia-Pacific* • *Ms. Areewan Haorangsi Secretary General, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity* • *Ms. Atsuko Okuda, ICT and Development Section, ICT and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, ESCAP*
11:00- 12:30	**Session 2: ASP1: Addressing special needs of least developed countries, small island developing states, including Pacific island countries, and landlocked developing countries** *Objective: This session will share the ongoing development activities and plans of ITU Members, partners and other agencies with focus on meeting the special needs of least developed countries (LDCs), small island developing states (SIDS) and landlocked developing countries (LLDCs).* *Moderator: tbc* *Panelists:* • *Mr. Jongbong Park, Director, Project Development, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity* • *Mr. Konesh Kochhal Director, Industry Ecosystem Engagements, Strategy Marketing, South Pacific Region* • *Mr. Robin Gravesteijn UNCDF* *Mr. Fred Christopher, Manager, Pacific Islands Telecommunications Association*
12:30 - 14:00	**Lunch**
14:00–15:30	**Session 3: ASP2: Harnessing ICTs to support the digital economy and an inclusive digital society**

Objective: This session will share needs and requirements of ITU Members in the Asia-Pacific region as well as the partnerships and plans of development agencies, and partners in utilizing ICTs to reap the benefits of the digital economy and in addressing the human and technical capacity challenges for bridging the digital divide.

Moderator: tbc

Panelists:

- *Ms. Phornphan Tannukit, Plan and Policy Analyst, ONDE, Ministry of Digital Economy and Society, Thailand*
- *Dr. Jonghwi Park, Programme Specialist, ICT in Education, Section for Educational Innovation and Skills Development, UNESCO*
- *Mr. Guillalume Mascot, Head of Government Relations AP J & India, Nokia,*
- *Ms. Han Han, Chief Engineer, China Academy of Information and Communications Technology, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology*
- *FAO*

15:30 - 16:00	**Coffee break**

16:00-17:30	**Session 4: ASP3: Fostering development of infrastructure to enhance digital connectivity**

Objective: This session will share needs and requirements of ITU Members in Asia-Pacific region as well as the partnerships and plans of development agencies and partners in utilizing ICTs to reap the benefits of the digital economy and in addressing the human and technical capacity challenges for bridging the digital divide.

Moderator: Mr. Paul Wilson, Director General, APNIC

Panelists:

- *Ms. Tenzin Dolma Norbhu, Head, Connectivity and Access Policy, APAC Facebook*
- *Mr. Bill Lan, Chief NBN Strategist, Huawei*
- *Mr. Foong Chee Keong , Group Head of Regulatory, Axiata*
- *Mr. Petter-Børre Furberg, EVP Emerging Asia Cluster, Telenor Group*

Day 2: 22 May 2018

09:00-10:30	**Session 5: ASP4: Enabling policy and regulatory environments**

Objective: *This session will discuss the priorities of Members in the areas of developing appropriate policy and regulatory frameworks, fostering innovation, enhancing skills, increasing information sharing and strengthening regulatory cooperation, thereby contributing to a supportive regulatory environment for all stakeholders.*

Moderator: Ms. Derval Usher, Pulse Lab Indonesia

Panelists:

	• *Ms. Tenzin D. Norbhu, Head, Connectivity & Access Policy, APAC Facebook* • *Ms. Mila Romanoff, Global Pulse Privacy and Ethics expert* • *Mr. Foong Chee Keong , Group Head of Regulatory, Axiata, Malaysia* • *Mr. Wangay Dorji, Chief, Licensing & Compliance Bhutan InfoComm and Media Authority*
10:30-11:00	**Coffee break**
11:00-12:30	**Session 6: ASP5: Contributing to a secure and resilient environment** *Objective: This session with focus on development and maintenance of secure, trusted and resilient networks and services, and addressing challenges related to climate change and disaster management.* *Moderator: Ms. Lindl Rowe, Director, International Engagement and Strategy, Department of Communications and the Arts* *Panelists:* • *Mr. Hideo Imanaka, Senior Manager NTT Advanced Technology* • *Mr. Keran Wang, Sector Chief, Space Applications Section, ICT and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, ESCAP* • *Ms Shina Miyuki, Digital Crimes Officer, Interpol* • *Ms Marie- Laure, Head of Programme, ECPAT* • *Mr. Aftab Siddiqui, Technical Engagement Manager, Internet Society,*
12:30-14:00	**Lunch**
14:00-15:30	**Session 7: Facilitating Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives through research, study, initiatives, partnerships and capacity building** *Objective: This session with focus on research, studies, capacity building, projects and partnerships to facilitate meeting the objectives of ITU Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives* • *ITU-D Study Groups Cycle 2018-2021* • *ITU Special Initiatives* • *ITU Centres of Excellence, Membership/Academia* • *Projects and Partnerships* *Moderator: Dr. Mohammad Azizi, Chairman, Afghanistan Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (ATRA)* *Panelists:* • *Ms. Kalaya Chinatiworn, Director of International Organizations Group, International Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Digital Economy & Society of Thailand*

	• *Mr. Yoshiaki Nagaya, Deputy Director, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, Japan* • *Chulalongkorn University, Thailand* • *Mr. Ashish Narayan, Programme Coordinator, ITU Regional Office for Asia-Pacific*
15:30-16:00	**Coffee break**
16:00-17:00	**RDF 2018 Conclusions, Recommendation and Closing**
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