



# Abstract

- Standards are very essential for the development of the ICT sector in the developing countries in general and in African countries in particular. The participation of African countries to SG13 meetings and activities will enable them to have a clearer idea on the development of standards in relation with the cutting edge ICT technologies studied under SG13 (IMT-2020, Big Data, Cloud Computing, SDN, etc.) as well as to communicate on their standardization requirements and challenges. This presentation will highlight the importance of standardization for the African Countries and underline the involvement of these countries in the standardization activities of ITU-T SG13.