

**INTERNATIONAL
TELECOMMUNICATION UNION**
Telecommunications Development Bureau
(BDT)
REGIONAL OFFICE FOR AFRICA



**THE ROLE OF THE REGIONAL
OFFICE - SERVICES**

SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

- Raise the level of awareness of decision makers concerning the important role of telecommunications in national economic and social development programmes and provide information and advice on possible policy and structural options.
- Promote the development, expansion and operation of telecommunication networks and services, particularly in developing countries by reinforcing capabilities for human resources development, planning, management, resource mobilization, and Research and Development.



SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

- Enhance the growth of telecommunications through co-operation with other relevant organizations, both regional and global.
- Mobilize resources to provide assistance to developing countries in the field of telecommunications.
- Promote and co-ordinate programmes to accelerate the transfer of appropriate technologies to developing countries.



SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

- Encourage participation by industry in telecommunication development activities in these countries.
- Offer advice, carry out or sponsor studies, as necessary, on relevant issues (regulatory and policy matters) related to the sector; and
- Collaborate with other sectors, the secretariat and other bodies in its overall co-ordination work.



ITU/BDT REGIONAL OFFICES

1. Africa Region – (AFR)
2. Americas Region – (AM)
3. Arab Region – (ARB)
4. Asia Pacific Region – (ASP)
5. Europe Region – (EUR)



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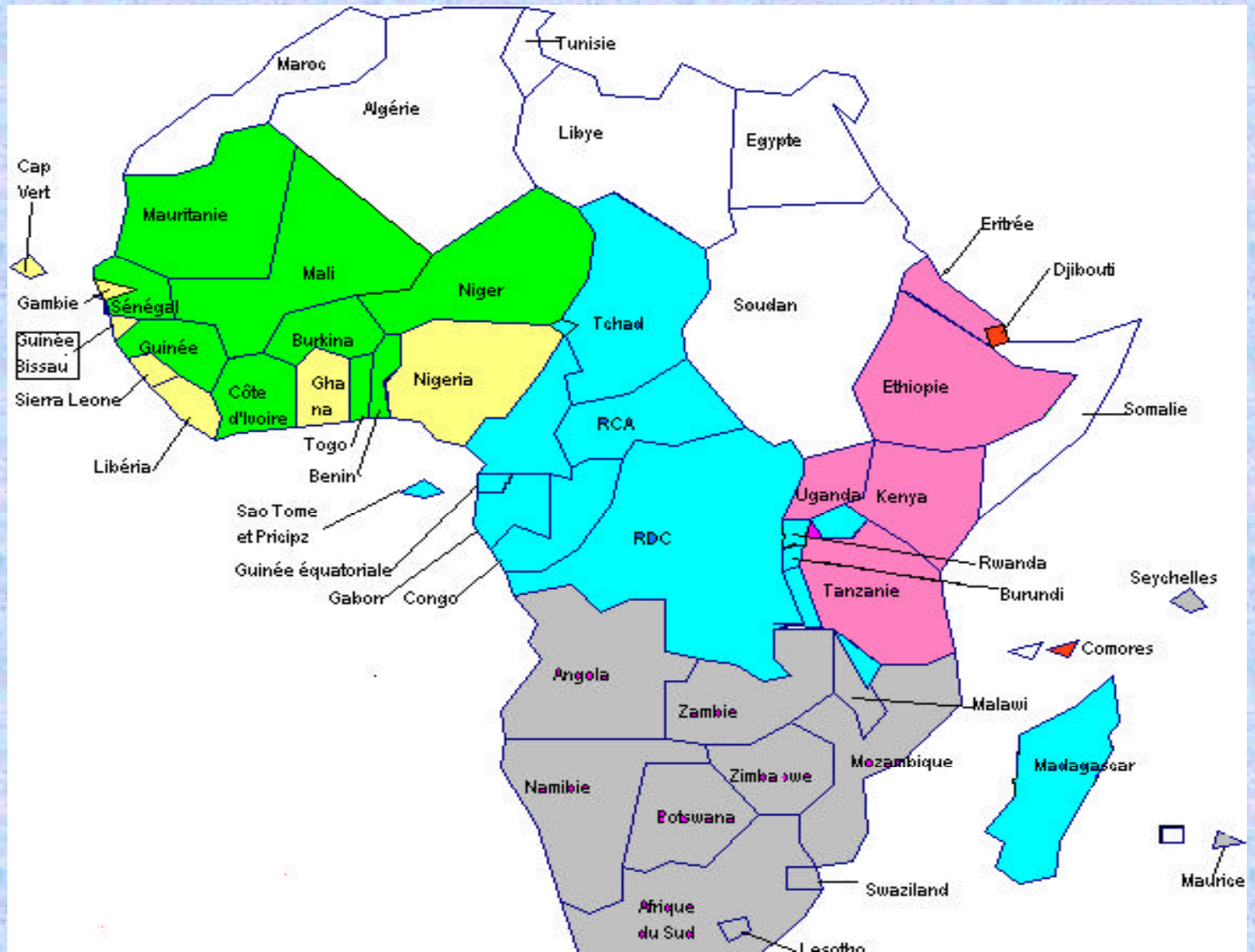
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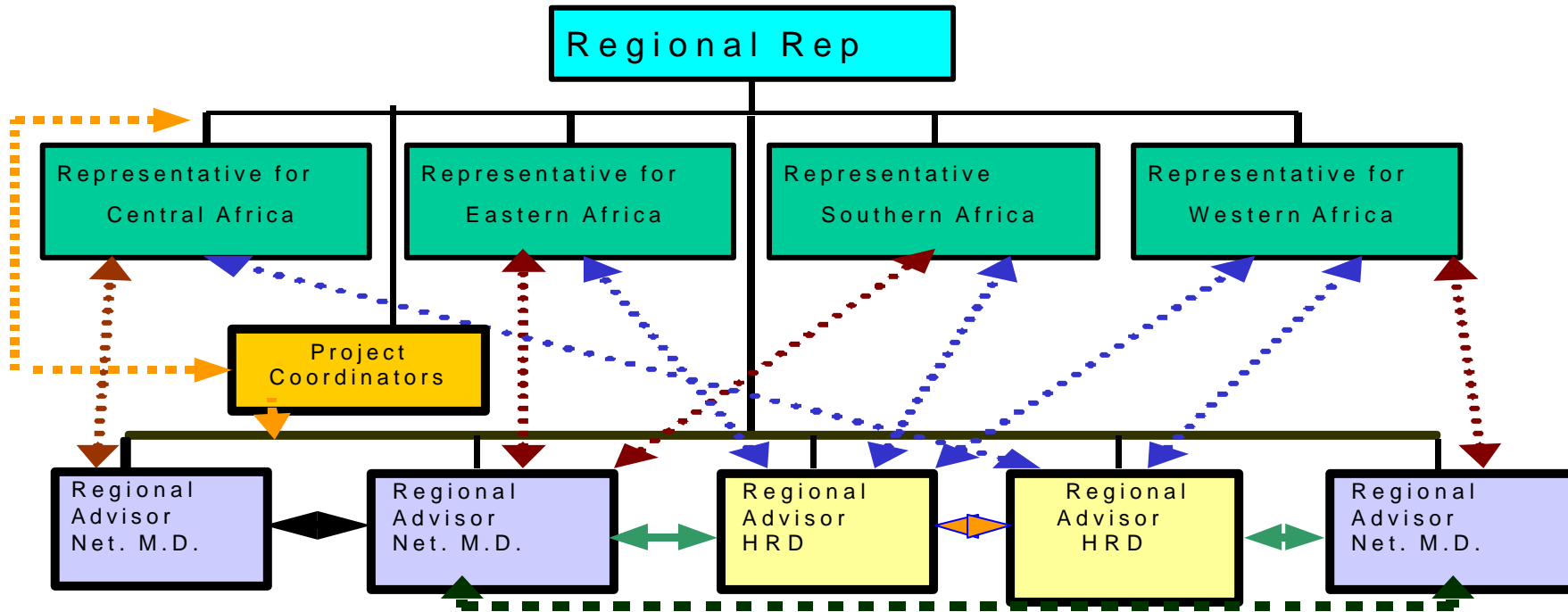
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ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE



The above titles are not official ITU titles but an idea of an organization structure.



ACTIVITIES

- NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
- SECTOR REFORM, REGULATION AND POLICY
- HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
- PROJECTS:- INDAFTTEL & AFRITEL



NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

- Development, management, operational and maintenance aspects of telecommunication networks with the aim of enhancing efficiency and quality of service.
- Introduction of new technologies and new services in view of creating sub regional and regional infrastructures.
- Information on ITU regulations, standards, recommendations, procedures and guidelines for the introduction of new technologies and new services in the telecommunication networks.
- Promoting technical cooperation among developing countries.
- Implementation of the decisions/recommendations of the World and Regional Telecommunication Development Conferences in programs of the region.



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SECTOR REFORM, REGULATION AND POLICY

- Provision of information for policy makers, regulatory bodies and telecommunication operators concerning world trends in telecommunication policy and management, new technologies and their possible repercussions.
- Provision of assistance in restructuring the telecommunications sector.
- Identification and supervision of implementation and monitoring of projects.
- Promotion of development, expansion and operation of telecommunication networks and services.



SECTOR REFORM, REGULATION AND POLICY

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- Sensitize policy makers, regulatory bodies and operators on issues related to the management of critical resources (e.g radio frequency, numbering plan etc) and new technical standards.
- Implementation of the decisions/recommendations of the World and Regional Telecommunications Development conferences in programs concerning the region.



SECTOR REFORM, REGULATION AND POLICY

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HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

- Assess training needs in managing and developing new technologies and services for the present and future telecommunication markets.
- Assist in the area of HRD
- Organize workshops to increase skills and develop capacity in different telecommunications fields (i.e management, marketing, distance learning etc.)
- Assistance in up-grading training centres.
- Support to centres of excellence actions.



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PROCEDURES

- **IsAP ACTIVITIES**
- **CONSULTANCY ACTIVITIES**
- **COST SHARING ACTIVITIES**
- **MEMBER COUNTRIES' REQUESTS AND REQUIREMENTS**



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