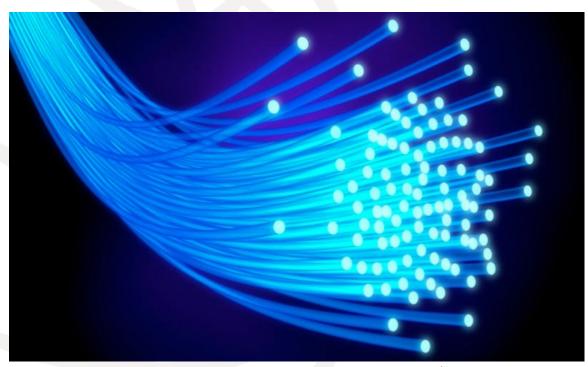
Action Plan for the Arab Region



ITU-T: Standardization Sector

Produces standards covering all fields of telecommunications on a worldwide basis and defines tariff and accounting principles for international telecommunication services







Strategic objectives of ITU-T

- Develop non-discriminatory international standards are compatible with each other (ITU-T);
- To assist in **reducing the gap in standards** between the industrialized and developing countries;
- Expand and facilitate international cooperation between international and regional standardization bodies.





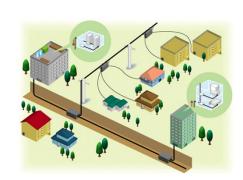
A unique platform

- ✓ Public-private platform is the only place where ministries and regulators work closely with industry and academia to develop ICT standards
- ✓ International participants: standardization experts from the public and private sector in 193 countries
- ✓ Member equity: no matter the size or earnings, all the members of the ITU-T collaborate on equal terms and benefit from the same rights
- ✓ Stakeholders across the spectrum of ICT: (Healthcare, utilities, banking, etc.)
 operators, manufacturers, service providers, consulting firms + vertical industries
- ✓ Diversity of member profiles: not only for governments and companies. Universities and research institutions, NGOs, business associations, intergovernmental



Main topics

✓ Access to Broadband Internet
 (xDSL, G.fast, Fiber to the x, Communication on Power Lines)



- ✓ Fiber Optics and Transport
- ✓ **Multimedia** (video coding: ITU-T H.264 and H.265)
- ✓ IPTV, Smart Cable TV
- ✓ Performance, Quality of Service (QoS) and Quality of Experience (QoE)
- ✓ Numbering and Identification Resources







Main topics

- ✓ Software-Defined Networking (SDN)
- ✓ Cloud Computing
- ✓ Big Data
- ✓ M2M and the Internet of Things (IOT)
- ✓ Cyber security, Identity Management, Protection of Children Online
- ✓ Conformance and Interoperability Testing









Main topics

- ✓ Intelligent Transportation Systems
- ✓ Networks / Smart Grids
- ✓ ICTs and Climate Change, Sustainable Smart Cities, Smart Water Management
- ✓ Human Exposure to Electromagnetic Fields
- ✓ E-Health
- ✓ ICT Accessibility and Human Factors
- Emergency Communications Systems Disaster Recovery, Network Resilience and Recovery















ITU-T Study Groups

SG2 - Operational aspects

SG3 - Economic and policy issues

SG5 - Environment and climate change

SG9 - Broadband cable and TV

SG11 - Protocols and test specifications

SG12 - Performance, QoS and QoE

SG13 - Future networks

SG15 - Transport, Access and Home

SG16 - Multimedia

SG17 - Security





Action Plan

Malcolm Johnson, Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau launched an Action Plan for the Arab region based on three pillars:

- 1. Bridging the standardization gap (BSG)
- 2. Communication and collaboration
- 3. Universities and ITU-T



Bridging the standardization gap (BSG)

- Increase the participation of representatives from the Arab region in Study Groups (SGs) and Regional Groups to ensure that ITU-T Recommendations address the needs of the Arab region.
- Regional Groups:
 - ITU-T SG2 Regional Group for the Arab Region
 - > ITU-T SG3 Regional Group for the Arab Region
 - > ITU-T SG5 Regional Group for the Arab Region



Communication and collaboration

- Collaboration & communication with key partners in the region:
 - AICTO
 - LAS
 - AST
 - CEDARE
 - etc...





Academia and ITU-T Alliance for innovation in ICTs standards

- Membership Resolution 169 (ITU PP-10)
- WTSA-12 Resolution 71
- WTSA-12 Resolution 80
- ITU Kaleidoscope academic conferences
- ITU-T Technology Watch





- Seminars to meet ITU-T experts
- Lecture Series in ITU and universities
- **Internships** for students
- Promote your University saving the climate
- Introduce standards in academic curricula: Workshops



















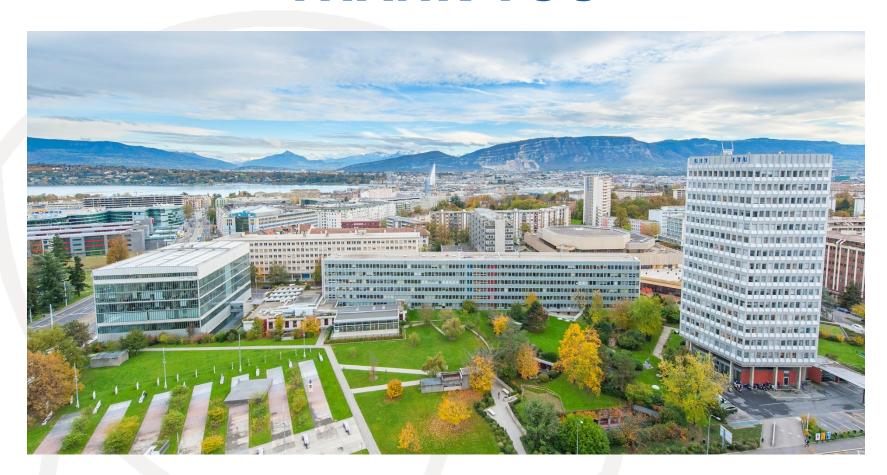


Lead with vision

- Ensure that ITU-T
 Recommendations address the needs of the Arab region
- Build partnerships in the Arab region
- Shape policies and standards to bridge the standardization gap in the Arab region



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