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- **Forum Session**

Session title: Expanding access with new radio technologies
Room: Room 1 - Dynamo
Time: Monday, September 09, 2019, 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM
Role: Panellist

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Session title: Broadband today – and tomorrow: from wireless broadband to gigabit strategies
Room: Room 3 - Plasma
Time: Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM
Role: Panellist

- **Partner Session**

Session title: 5G and Future Networks: creating an enabling regulatory environment through public-private collaboration
Room: Room 2 - Cube
Time: Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 3:45 PM - 5:15 PM
Role: Speaker

- **Partner Session**

Session title: Fixed wireless technology for affordable broadband development

Room: Room 2 - Cube

Time: Tuesday, September 10, 2019, 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Role: Panellist

Biography

Bocar BA is an advocacy specialist, focused on the promotion of sustainable digital development, ICT infrastructure expansion and investment through collaboration and multi-stakeholder partnerships in the Middle East and Africa regions. BA is the CEO and a board member of SAMENA Telecommunications Council, which serves as a sector-development partner to governments and the telecommunications industry toward jointly creating a sustainable ICT environment as the enabler of a sustainable digital economy.

In his capacity as CEO of SAMENA Council, BA brings together and facilitates the building of alliances between digital ecosystem stakeholders, including regulators and other government bodies, to address critical technocentric, policy, and regulatory issues. His efforts have directly helped drive key regional initiatives, workshops and events in areas including affordable infrastructure, advanced digital services, data and privacy regulation, spectrum management, and industry fees and taxation. BA is a strong advocate of advancing socio-economic progress and contributing to the achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through ecosystem-wide collaboration on proliferating ICTs, and setting incentives for investment in digitization and advanced communications infrastructure.

BA is a Commissioner of the UN Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development and he serves as the chair of the ITU's Private Sector Chief Regulatory Officers Meeting ("CRO"). Mr. BA is director and member of the board of several companies, active in the areas of investment, technology, management, and consultancy services. He is actively involved in the privatization processes in the MEA region and drives various investment projects, with the aim to linking new development opportunities in Asia, the Middle East, and Africa.