

Regulation XXI: Is there a path for Regional Regulation?

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The importance of Regulation

 Promoting poverty reduction

> By promoting and facilitating universal access to networks and bridging the digital divide

By producing effective and harmonized regulatory instruments

 Creating conditions for operators to capitalize and add value to their investments

 provide better and cheaper services to users

By protecting consumers











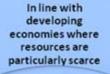


The challenge of Regulation at local level – looking for the right balance





The challenge of Regulation at Regional level



Achieve a stable and coherent regulatory framework within the Region

Efficient and wellgrounded regulatory harmonization process

Use ICT for poverty reduction for the development of Regions















The regulation of telecommunications has traditionally been aimed at one or more of three goals:

to regulate the activities of the incumbent monopolist or dominant network operator;

to facilitate the development of and access to a national information infra structure;

to promote national





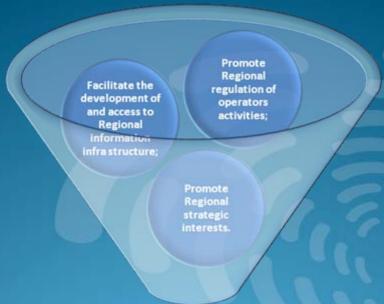








Creating Regional Concept



Regional Regulation And Regional Association Cooperation















Regional Regulators Association Drivers

- enhance regulation within the region and improve regulatory
- promoting the adoption of best practises, exchange of
 - information and experts, joint studies and adoption of
 - create an active and harmonized regulatory environment to improve cooperation and encourage innovation and communications developmen
 - contribute to the enhancement of the information society 3.



Inter Regional Regulators Association Drivers

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- enhance regulation within the different world region
 - improve inter regional regulatory harmonization by promoting the adoption of best practises
- exchange of information and experts 2.
 - execute joint studies and adoption of common 3.
 - Contribute world wide to the enhancement of the
 - positions 4.
 - information society



Relationship with other stake holders





Brain storm on future Challenges and possible path

Creation of an informal Regional **Associations Council;**

High level meetings (such as this one) to define policy guidelines and promote cooperation within regional and with other international stake holders;

Working Groups to promote studies and technical reports suggested by the members and/or to follow up international activities related to innovation and technology;

Promote the organization of Work

shops and Seminars;

Technical meetings to promote information exchange and encourage exchange of know how;

Capacity building initiatives and training programs for staff members (in coordination with other international initiatives such as InfoDev training programs or Center of Excellency of ITU;

Provide specialized assistance to members by contracting international specialist and consultants in partnership with major financing institutions;

Develop new regulation models















Thank you

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