



**ITU-T Study Group 20  
“IoT and Smart Cities and  
Communities”**

# How ITU supports IoT and Smart Cities and Communities



**ITU:**  
International Telecommunication Union –  
the UN specialized agency for ICTs



**U4SSC:**  
United for Smart Sustainable Cities initiative

**Focus Group on "Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT) for Digital Agriculture" (FG-AI4A)**

**Joint IEC-ISO-ITU Smart Cities Task Force**

**JCA-IoT and SC&C:**  
Joint Coordination Activity on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities

**Correspondence Group on Artificial intelligence of Things (CG-AIoT)**

**ITU-T Study Group 20:**  
ITU Study Group on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities

# ITU Resolutions on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities (1)



## Resolution 197 – Facilitating the Internet of things and smart cities and communities

### Resolves,

- to promote investment in and development of IoT in order to support the SDGs;
- to continue and further develop studies and activities on IoT and SSCCs, in order to promote their development.

### Instructs the Directors of TSB and Radiocommunication Bureau:

- 1 to support the work of relevant ITU-T and ITU-R study groups on IoT and SSCCs and to facilitate the emergence of diverse services in the globally connected world, in collaboration with relevant sectors;
- 2to continue cooperation with relevant organizations, including SDOs, for exchanging best practices and disseminating information to increase interoperability of IoT services, through joint workshops, training sessions, joint coordination activity groups and any other appropriate means;
- 3to encourage the development of IoT and SSCCs, taking into account the outcomes of the work of the relevant ITU study groups on various aspects of IoT and SSCCs.

## ITU Resolutions on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities (2)



### Resolution 98 - Enhancing the standardization of Internet of things and smart cities and communities for global development

#### Resolves to instruct Study Group 20 of the ITU-T:

- to develop ITU T Recommendations aimed at implementing IoT and SC&C, including, but not limited to, on issues related to emerging technologies and vertical industries;
- to continue, within its mandate, to work with a special focus on the design of a roadmap and harmonized and coordinated international telecommunication standards for the development of IoT, taking into account the needs of each region and Member States, as well as the wide variety of use cases and applications, and the need for IoT to be open and adaptable, and fostering a competitive environment;
- to collaborate with IoT related standards organizations and other stakeholders such as industry forums and associations, consortia and SDOs, as well as other relevant ITU T study groups, taking into account relevant work;
- to collate, evaluate, assess and share IoT use cases from the interoperability and standardization standpoints for data and information exchange.

## ITU Resolutions on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities (3)



### Resolution 78 - Information and communication technology applications and standards for improved access to e-health services

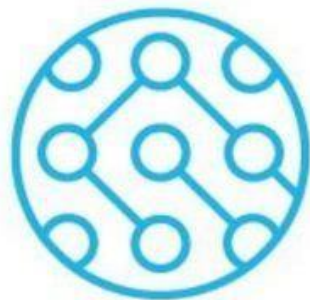
**Instructs Study Groups 16 and 20 of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector, each according to its mandate:**

- to identify and document examples of best practice for e-health in the field of telecommunications/ICTs, for dissemination among ITU Member States and Sector Members;
- to coordinate activities and studies relating to e-health among the relevant study groups, focus groups and other relevant groups in ITU T, the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU R) and ITU D, in order in particular to foster awareness of telecommunication/ICT standards pertaining to e-health;
- for ensuring the broad deployment of e-health services in diverse operating conditions, to study communication protocols relating to e-health, especially among heterogeneous networks;
- within the current mandate of the ITU T study groups, to give priority to the study of security standards (e.g. for communications, services, network aspects and service scenarios for databases and record handling, identification, integrity and authentication) relating to e-health, taking into account recognizing e)

# Connect 2030 Agenda: Innovation

## Resolution 200 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)

Connect 2030 Agenda for global telecommunication / information and communication technology, including broadband, for sustainable development



**Goal 4 – Innovation:**  
Enable innovation in  
telecommunications /  
ICT in support of the  
digital transformation of  
society



**Target 4.1:** By 2023, all countries should have policies / strategies fostering telecommunication / ICT-centric innovation

# ITU-T's focus on IoT and Smart Cities and Communities



ITU-T Study Group 20 is responsible for:



- studies relating to Internet of Things (IoT) and its applications, and smart cities and communities (SC&C);

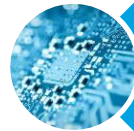


- studies relating to big data aspects of IoT and SC&C, digital services for SC&C, and digital transformation relevant IoT and SC&C aspects.



**ITU-T Study Group  
20: IoT and Smart  
Cities &  
Communities**

## **Lead Study Group 20 Roles**



**Internet of Things and its Applications**



**Smart Cities and Communities**



**IoT Identification**



**Digital health related to IoT and SSC**



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# SG20 - Study Group Structure (Study Period 2022-2024)

- Interoperability and interworking of IoT and SC&C applications and services

Q1/20



- Requirements, capabilities and architectural frameworks across verticals enhanced by emerging DT

Q2/20



- IoT and SC&C architectures, protocols and QoS/QoE

Q3/20



- Data analytics, sharing, processing and management, including big data aspects, of IoT and SC&C

Q4/20



- Study of emerging digital technologies, terminology and definitions

Q5/20



- Security, privacy, trust and identification for IoT and SC&C

Q6/20



- Evaluation and assessment of Smart Cities and Communities

Q7/20



# Key Topics & ITU-T Recommendations



## Requirements and use cases

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4208: "IoT requirements for support of edge computing"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4211: "Accessibility requirements for smart public transportation services"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4214: "Requirements of IoT-based civil engineering infrastructure health monitoring system"



## Infrastructure and architecture

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4470: "Reference architecture of artificial intelligence service exposure for smart sustainable cities"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4480: "Low power protocol for wide area wireless networks"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4500.1: "oneM2M-Functional Architecture" (Y.4500 series)



## Interoperability

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4200: "Requirements for interoperability of smart city platforms"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4201: "High-level requirements and reference framework of smart city platform"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4805: "Identifier service requirements for the interoperability of smart city applications"



## Data management and Processing

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4461: "Framework of open data in smart cities"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4464: "Framework of blockchain of things as decentralized service platform"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4472: "Open data application programming interface (APIs) for IoT data in smart cities and communities"



## Evaluation and Assessment

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4903: "Key performance indicators for smart sustainable cities to assess the achievement of sustainable development goals"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4904: "Smart sustainable cities maturity model"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4906: "Assessment framework for digital transformation of sectors in smart cities"



## Identification and security

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4807: "Agility by design for ICT Systems security used in the Internet of Things"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4808: "Digital entity architecture framework to combat counterfeiting in IoT"

Recommendation ITU-T Y.4809: "Unified IoT Identifiers for intelligent transport systems"

# ITU-T SG20 - Regional Groups

**SG20RG-LATAM**  
ITU-T SG20  
Regional Group for  
the Latin American  
Region

**SG20RG-AFR**  
ITU-T SG20  
Regional Group for  
the Africa Region

**SG20RG-ARB**  
ITU-T SG20  
Regional Group for  
the Arab Region

**SG20RG-EECAT**  
ITU-T SG20  
Regional Group for  
Eastern Europe,  
Central Asia and  
Transcaucasia

**SG20RG-AP**  
ITU-T SG20  
Regional Group for  
Asia and the Pacific  
Region



**ITU-T SG20  
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(SG20RG-LATAM)**

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**Note:** As of 18 July 2022

### Last Meeting:



13-14 October 2020



Virtual via [MyMeetings](#)

**ITU-T SG20  
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**Last Meeting:**

 16-18 March 2021

 Minsk, Belarus



## ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for the Arab Region (SG20RG-ARB)

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1 August 2023



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 8 June 2023

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**First Meeting:**

 25-26 July 2023

 Virtual via [MyMeetings](#)

# AI and Internet of Things for Digital Agriculture

**AI:**  AI and Internet of Things for Digital Agriculture  
ITU Focus Group

## Co-Chairs:

- Ramy Ahmed Fathy (Egypt)
- Sebastian Bosse (Fraunhofer HHI, Germany)

## Working Groups



**Working Group on Digital Agriculture Use Cases and Solutions (WG-AS)**



**Working Group on Data Acquisition and Modelling for digital agriculture (WG-DAM)**



**Working Group for Mapping and Analyzing AI and IoT standards related Activities in Digital Agriculture (WG-Roadmap)**



**Working Group on Ethical, Legal, and regulatory Considerations relating to the use of AI for agriculture (WG-ELR)**



**Working Group on Collaboration and Outreach (WG-CO)**



**Working Group on Glossary (WG-Gloss)**

## Topic Groups



**TG-Data Science for surface and underground water monitoring**



**TG-Georeferenced Data Management**



**TG-Weather modelling and forecasting**



**TG-Irrigation strategy and smart water management**



**TG-Weather modelling and forecasting**

## Correspondence Group on Artificial intelligence of Things (CG-AIoT)



SG20, at its October 2021 meeting agreed to continue or set up the Correspondence Group listed below. To subscribe to any of the mailing lists, visit <http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/services/>

### Correspondence Group on Artificial intelligence of Things (CG-AIoT)

- Terms of reference: SG20-TD2458
- Convener: Gyu Myoung Lee
- Mailing list: [cg-aiot@lists.itu.int](mailto:cg-aiot@lists.itu.int)

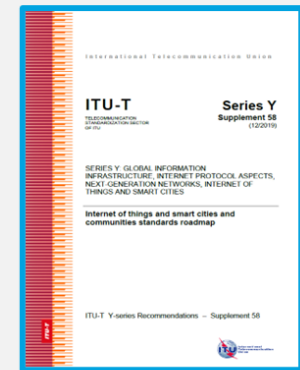
# Joint Coordination Activity on Internet of Things (IoT) and Smart Cities and Communities (SC&C)



Coordinating ITU-T work on  
IoT and SC&C



Providing contact point for  
IoT & applications, including  
SC&C activities



JCA-IoT and SC&C roadmap

# Joint Smart Cities Task Force



ISO co-Chairman  
Mr Bernard Gindroz  
(Chair, ISO/TC 268)

ITU co-Chairman  
Mr Hyoung Jun Kim  
(Chair, ITU-T SG20)

IEC co-Chairman  
Mr Michael Mulquin  
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Joint Collaboration is Key



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# Mailing Lists

General distribution list for SG20

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Q6/20: Security, privacy, trust and identification for IoT and SC&C

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# United for Smart Sustainable Cities (U4SSC)



## U4SSC Partners



## U4SSC Thematic Groups

 Convention on Biological Diversity	 ECLAC	 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	 ITU	 United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
 UNDP Empowered lives. Resilient nations.	 United Nations Economic Commission for Africa	 UNEP United Nations Environment Programme	 UNEP United Nations Environment Programme	 UNEP United Nations Environment Programme
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City Platforms



Building Urban Economic Resilience at City Level



Artificial Intelligence in Cities



Enabling People-Centred Cities through Digital Transformation



Procurement for Smart Sustainable Cities



Digital Wellbeing

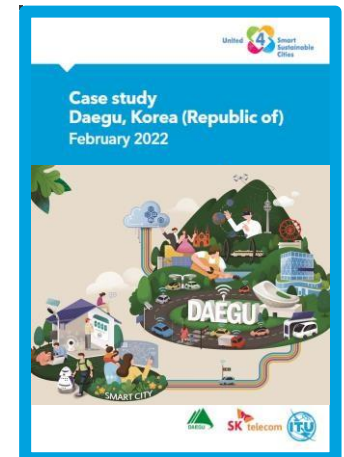
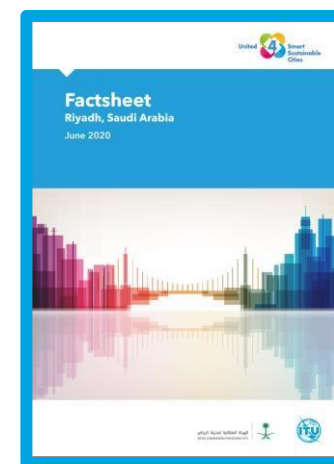
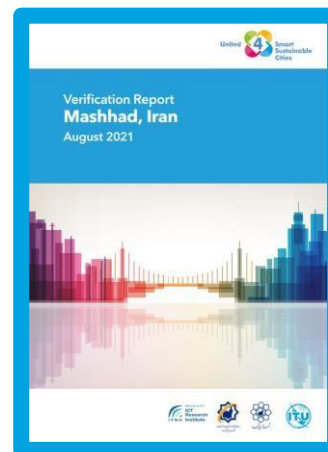
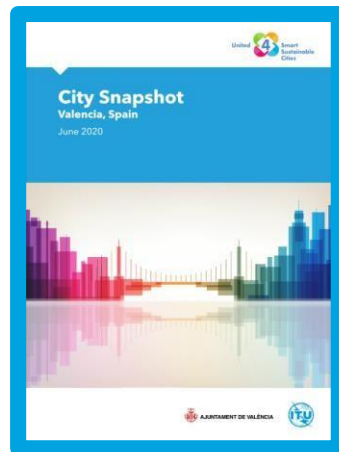
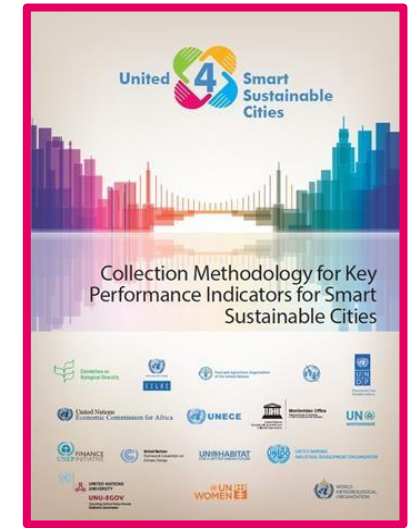


# U4SSC Key Performance Indicators

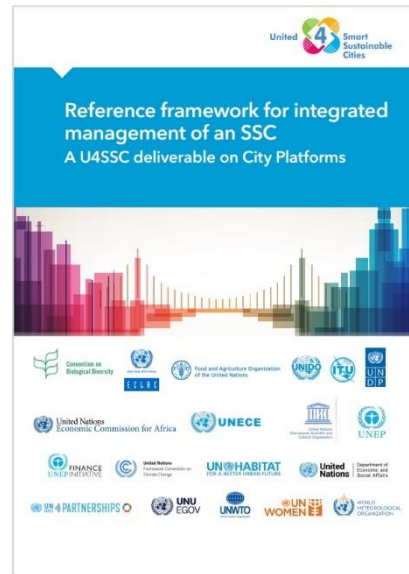


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**150+ more cities!**



# U4SSC Key Performance Indicators



## Relevant links

ITU-T, Smart Sustainable Cities

• <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/ssc/Pages/default.aspx>

ITU-T Study Group 20: Internet of things (IoT) and smart cities and communities (SC&C)

• <https://www.itu.int/go/tsg20>

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ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for the Africa Region

• <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-t/regionalgroups/sg20-afr>

ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for the Arab Region

• <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-t/regionalgroups/sg20-arb>

ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for the Latin America Region

• <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-t/regionalgroups/sg20-latam>

ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Transcaucasia

• <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-t/regionalgroups/sg20-ecat>

ITU-T SG20 Regional Group for Asia and the Pacific

• <https://www.itu.int/en/itu-t/regionalgroups/sg20-ap>

Focus group on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT) for Digital Agriculture (FG-AI4A)

• <https://www.itu.int/go/fgai4a>

Focus Group on Data Processing and Management to support IoT and Smart Cities & Communities (FG-DPM)

• <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/focusgroups/dpm/Pages/default.aspx>

Joint Coordination Activity on Internet of Things and Smart Cities and Communities (JCA-IoT and SC&C)

• <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/jca/iot/Pages/default.aspx>

United for Smart Sustainable Cities (U4SSC)

• <https://www.itu.int/go/u4ssc>

# Digital Transformation Resource Hub



Smart sustainable cities



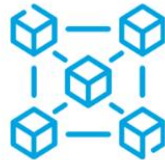
Cities' actions to tackle Covid-19



Artificial intelligence



Internet of things



Blockchain



Digital twin



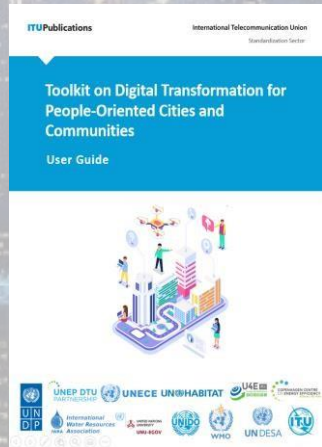
Metaverse



Digital transformation trends

# Cross-Sector Partnership

## Standardizing digital transformation for people-oriented cities



# Digital Transformation Webinar Series

These webinars discuss topics related to cross-sectoral digital transformation and related standardization activities. The goal of this webinar series is to increase the collaboration with global stakeholders and it also aims to bring new knowledge which may contribute to ITU-T standardization activities in alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda.



<https://itu.int/go/dt4cc>



# Thank you!

Questions? Interested in learning more?

Let us know!



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