

Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)

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## To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- State of Palestine (Resolution 99)
- ITU-D Sector Members
- ITU Academia
- TDAG Bureau members
- Chairs and Vice-Chairs of ITU-D study groups
- Regional Telecommunication Organizations

Subject: Upcoming virtual meetings of the TDAG Working Groups and the Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration

Dear Sir/Madam,

The 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Telecommunication Development Advisory Group (TDAG) held from 20 to 23 May 2024 approved the creation of two new TDAG Working Groups and the TDAG Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration.

The four TDAG Working Groups and the TDAG Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration (TDAG-ICG-GYS) have already held their virtual meetings earlier this year.

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the following virtual meetings of the TDAG related groups in 2025:

Group	Date and Time
TDAG Working Group on the Declaration (TDAG-WG-DEC)  Website	5 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET
TDAG Working Group on the Future of Study Group Questions (TDAG-WG-futureSGQ)  Website	21 January 2025, 1300h-1600h CET 4 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET
TDAG Working Group on the ITU-D Priorities (TDAG-WG-ITUDP)  Website	6 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET
TDAG Working Group on Streamlining Resolutions (TDAG-WG-SR)  Website	26 March 2025, 1300h-1500h CET 2 May 2025, 1300h-1400h CET
TDAG Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration (TDAG-ICG-GYS)  Website	22 January 2025, 1300h-1600h CET 17 February 2025, 1300h-1600h CET

In line with <u>WTDC Resolutions 55</u> (Rev. Kigali, 2022) and <u>76</u> (Rev. Kigali, 2022), and with the aim to organize inclusive and gender-responsive meetings, you are invited to support and encourage the participation of women and young people in your delegation.

The draft agenda for the meetings will be posted on the respective web pages.

Detailed information on how to participate and contribute to these meetings is available in **Annex**.

The TDAG secretariat is at your disposal for further information or clarification, as required (e-mail: <a href="mailto:tdag-secretariat@itu.int">tdag-secretariat@itu.int</a>).

I look forward to your active participation in the work of the TDAG Working Groups and the TDAG Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava Director

**Annex:** Information note for participants

#### **ANNEX**

### Information note for participants

#### Registration

Advance registration is mandatory, following these steps:

- Create an ITU user account (if you already have an account, go to step 2): When creating an ITU user account affiliated to an ITU Member (Member States, Sector Members, Associates, Academia, and UN System), users must obtain approval of their affiliation from the corresponding TIES Focal Point prior to submitting a registration request.
- 2. Register here: Log in with your ITU user account credentials and complete the corresponding registration request form. After successful submission, you will receive an acknowledgement of successful submission of the registration request.
- 3. Your registration request is automatically forwarded to the corresponding <u>Designated Focal Points</u> (DFPs) for ITU-D event registration.
- 4. Upon the approval of the DFP, you will receive a confirmation of registration email.

For assistance with the registration process, please contact: <a href="mailto:BDTMeetingsRegistration@itu.int">BDTMeetingsRegistration@itu.int</a>

## **Remote Participation and Webcast**

Advance registration is required to participate remotely. Instructions on how to connect to the remote participation platform will be sent to registered participants and made available on the meeting websites. Further information on remote participation will be available on the corresponding meeting website.

Zoom is the remote participation platform that will be used for the meetings.

Webcast will also be available (TIES access required). Registration is not required to follow the webcast.

#### **Language and Captioning**

Meetings of the TDAG Working Groups and Informal Coordination Group will be held in English only.

Captioning will be provided in English and displayed in the meeting room, on the remote participation platform, and on the event website.

### **Documentation and Contributions**

ITU-D meetings are paperless. An ITU user account with <u>TIES access</u> is required to download the meeting documents.

Your contributions to the work of the TDAG Working Groups and Informal Coordination Group will be highly appreciated. A joint contribution with other administrations and organizations requires the written approval of the parties involved, in order to authorize its release.

Contributions must be submitted using the online template available on the event website. Please attach the original Word version of your contribution to the online submission form available on the event website to ensure that all hyperlinks, graphics and tables are correctly displayed.

The deadline for submission of contributions to the meetings is 12 days before the start of each meeting, as established in <u>WTDC Resolution 1</u> (Rev. Kigali, 2022):

Group	Date and Time of fully virtual meetings	Deadline for submission of contributions
TDAG Working Group on the Declaration (TDAG-WG-DEC)	5 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET	21 February 2025
TDAG Working Group on the Future of Study Group Questions	uture of Study Group Questions	9 January 2025
(TDAG-WG-futureSGQ)	4 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET	20 February 2025
TDAG Working Group on the ITU- D Priorities (TDAG-WG-ITUDP)	6 March 2025, 1300h-1600h CET	22 February 2025
TDAG Working Group on Streamlining Resolutions (TDAG-WG-SR)  26 March 2025, 1300h-1500h CET  2 May 2025, 1300h-1400h CET	14 March 2025	
	2 May 2025, 1300h-1400h CET	20 April 2025
TDAG Informal Coordination Group on the Youth Summit and the Global Celebration (TDAG- ICG-GYS)	22 January 2025, 1300h-1600h CET	10 January 2025
	17 February 2025, 1300h-1600h CET	5 February 2025

## **Mailing Lists**

Interested members are invited to subscribe to the dedicated mailing lists for these groups at this <u>link</u>. All communication related to the work of these groups will be circulated through these mailing lists.

# **Other Practical Information**

You will find all other practical information on the dedicated websites for the TDAG Working Groups:

TDAG-WG-DEC - TDAG-WG-ITUDP - TDAG-WG-futureSGQ - TDAG-WG-SR - TDAG-ICG-GYS

Do not hesitate to contact the **TDAG secretariat** with any questions you may have regarding these meetings and the activities of the TDAG Working Groups and Informal Coordination Group (by e-mail: <a href="mailto:tdag-secretariat@itu.int">tdag-secretariat@itu.int</a>).