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| **TDAG Working Group on ITU-D Priorities (TDAG-WG-ITUDP)****2nd Meeting, Virtual, 4 December 2024** | A close up of a sign  Description automatically generated |
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| Chair, TDAG-WG-ITUDP |
| Report of the second meeting of the TDAG Working Group on the ITU-D Priorities (TDAG-WG-ITUDP) |

1. **Opening of the meeting and approval of agenda**

Mr Christopher Kemei (Kenya), Chair of the TDAG Working Group on the ITU-D Priorities (TDAG-WG-ITUDP) welcomed all participants present to the meeting. The Chair confirmed the agenda for the meeting and invited comments.

The Chair reiterated the focus of the meeting, which was to present his proposal regarding ITU-D priorities for the next cycle and reiterated the importance of contributions from the membership to provoke discussions and gather inputs to be discussed by the group, toward the finalization of an agreed proposal to be submitted at the TDAG in 2025.

1. **Approval of the agenda**

The agenda as per document [TDAG-WG-ITUDP/5](https://www.itu.int/md/D22-TDAG.WG.ITUDP-C-0005/) was presented by the Chair of the TDAG-WG-ITUDP and was approved.

1. **Presentation of the chair’s proposal**

The chair invited the BDT Secretariat to present his proposal of the ITU-D Priorities for the next WTDC action plan.

BDT presented an overview of the proposed Baku Action Plan, highlighting the need to streamline priorities, outputs, and enablers. The presentation included a comparative analysis of the existing priorities and the proposed changes

Some of the key points highlighted include:

* **Four ITUD Priorities**: The proposed plan includes four priorities: Connectivity and Digital Resilience, Sustainable Digital Transformation and Innovation, Enabling Environment, and Inclusive Digital Society
* **Outputs and Enablers**: The plan aims to productize outputs and redefine enablers as internal elements to facilitate the work of the Bureau
* **Operationalization**: The plan outlines a clear operational framework for implementing the priorities and achieving the desired outcomes
1. **Discussions**

Several inputs and feedbacks were provided by the group, including (but not limited to):

* Ensuring proper placement of certain topics within priorities
* Ensuring alignment with the strategic plan
* Taking into account other relevant ITU and UN processes, such as WSIS, GDP, SDGs among others
* Clarification of terminology
* Ensuring the development of proper risk analysis and monitoring and evaluation for effective implementation on the plan
* Ensuring continuity with the existing plan; building on it and streamlining it
* Ensuring clear rationale and holistic approach on the definition of the ITU-D priorities and enablers

The BDT Director, Dr. Cosmas Zavazava, provides additional insights into the restructuring of the BDT, the importance of monitoring and evaluation, and the alignment of projects with donor expectations.

The Chair reiterated that the work of the Group is contribution driven and emphasized the importance of the work ahead which will contribute not only to the strategic direction of the Development Bureau but also to the strategic plan of ITU.

1. **Conclusions and the way forward**

The meeting agreed to consider a revised proposal form the Chair taking into account all inputs and feedbacks received, as well as encouraging contributions from Member States, in order to develop a final proposal to be submitted at TDAG in 2025.

1. **Next meeting**
2. Next meeting is scheduled for 6 March 2025.
3. The meeting shall be held virtually.
4. **Any other business**

There was no AOB.

The Chair as well as the Director of BDT thank all for their participation.

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