



**Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To:

- Administration of ITU Member States
- State of Palestine (Resolution 99 (Rev. Dubai, 2018))

Subject: Invitation to participate in the training course on “Satellite connectivity for schools: Technologies, policies, and strategies” – 26-30 October 2026, Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your administration to participate in the training course titled ***Satellite connectivity for schools: Technologies, policies, and strategies*** to take place from **26 to 30 October 2026 in Geneva, Switzerland**.

The training course is part of the implementation of the project “*Capacity Development to Accelerate School Connectivity in Collaboration with the Giga Initiative*” and is organized pursuant to Resolution 87 “*Connecting every school to the Internet and every young person to information and communication technology services*” of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-22) and in line with the Baku Action Plan adopted at WTDC-25.

This course is designed for government officials, policymakers, and regulators looking to leverage emerging satellite technologies to enhance school connectivity, with a focus on satellite broadband as a core infrastructure solution to bridge the digital divide in education and ensure sustainable internet access for remote and unconnected schools. While maintaining a solid technical foundation, participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of satellite access technologies—including LEO, MEO, and GEO constellations—along with the deployment frameworks, financing models, and regulatory policies tailored to educational networks. By the end of the course, participants will have both the technical knowledge and the strategic insight needed to assess, plan, and implement sustainable satellite-based solutions for schools in their countries, equipping them to design public policy, manage total cost of ownership (TCO), and optimize internet delivery for classrooms in alignment with global spectrum policies and international best practices.

We invite you to identify suitable candidates from your administration to participate in this training course. More information on the programme of the course, the submission of applications, and requests for fellowship can be found on the training course website at:

<https://academy.itu.int/training-courses/full-catalogue/satellite-connectivity-schools-technologies-policies-and-strategies>

The deadline for the course and fellowship applications is **15 August 2026**.

Please note that in addition to this training course, ITU Academy also offers online training courses (both instructor-led and self-paced) on a range of school connectivity topics. For further information about these courses, please visit the ITU Academy website at <https://academy.itu.int/partners/giga-learning-hub>

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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