



**AHMED ELRAGHY**

### **Current Role & Responsibilities**

Ahmed ElRaghy is the Head of the Regulatory and Market Environment (RME) Division in the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT). In this role, he leads the development and implementation of impactful regulatory products and services that address the evolving needs of member states in ICT regulation and digital policy. His core responsibilities include overseeing the execution of the Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR) and driving research and analysis on emerging digital policy trends.

### **ITU Regional Office**

Previously, he served as a Senior Advisor in the ITU Regional Office for the Arab States. During his tenure, he was responsible for managing the full life cycle of assigned regional initiatives and operational plans aimed at strengthening the ITU's role within the UN Sustainable Development Group. He successfully orchestrated more than 12 tailored regional programs, such as Spectrum Planning, National Cybersecurity Strategy development, and Cybersecurity Regional Capacity building programs. Additionally, he supported the development of the Global Cyber Drill to strengthen incident response frameworks across more than 100 nations.

### **ICT Regulatory Experience & Impact**

With over 20 years of experience in the ICT regulatory domain, his expertise encompasses services licensing, broadband development, integrated future technologies, innovation, and entrepreneurship. He has a proven track record in market liberalization, having driven major mobile operator tenders, introduced mobile number portability, and designed comprehensive frameworks for submarine cable landings. His strategic reforms have successfully reduced right-of-way fees, streamlined permitting processes to accelerate fiber-to-the-home deployments, reduced consumer tariffs by 40%, and significantly increased mobile penetration. Additionally, he was the key figure responsible for successfully hosting large-scale global events, including the ITU World Radio Conference (WRC-19) and the ITU Global Symposium of Regulators (GSR-16), which convened thousands of global delegates to advance SDG-aligned spectrum governance.

**Global Policy Strategy**

He has consistently advocated for national and regional priorities in global forums. He represented his administration at ITU Plenipotentiary Conferences, the ITU Council, ITU-WTSA, ITU-WTDC, and WCIT-12 to address cross-border data governance and digital sovereignty. His prominent leadership roles in standardization and governance include serving as Chairman for the Arab Standardization Team (ASTEAM) from 2013 to 2017, Vice-President to ITU-T Study Group 13 “Future Networks” from 2012 to 2021, and Vice-Chairman of the ITU Expert Group of the International Telecommunication Regulation from 2018 to 2021. He holds an engineering degree in Communication and Electrical Engineering and an Executive Master’s degree in Business Administration.