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ICTs FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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The vital role of ICTs as a catalyst for development is acknowledged in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, stating “the spread of information and communications technology and global interconnectedness has great potential to accelerate human progress, to bridge the digital divide and develop knowledge societies.” Though only directly referenced in four of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) – as catalysts for education (SDG4) and gender balance (SDG5), as a driving force for new ‘smart’ infrastructures (SDG9), and as essential tools to implement the SDGs (SDG17) – they have a key role to play in achieving each of the goals.

This year Regional Development Forum will provide an unique opportunity for high-level dialogue, cooperation and partnerships among telecommunication/ICT policy-makers, regulators, industry, academia, regional and international development agencies and organizations on specific actions undertaken at the regional level strengthening the impact of the ICTs on the sustainable development. A primary outcome of the RDF is the Chairman’s Summary of Discussions that will be submitted to the Regional Preparatory Meeting for Europe (RPM-EUR) leading towards the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2017.

For more information please see <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Conferences/WTDC/WTDC17/RPM-eur/pages/default.aspx>

Draft Agenda

08.00 – 09:00 Registration of Participants

09:00 – 9:30 Opening Ceremony

- **H.E. Ričardas Degutis**, Vice Minister, Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Lithuania (MoTC)
- **Mr Brahima Sanou**, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau, International Telecommunication Union
- **Mr Manuel da Costa Cabral**, Chairman, Com-ITU of CEPT (The European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations)

9:30 – 10:00 Group Photo and Coffee Break

10:00 – 11:00 Session 1: Fostering Development of ICT Infrastructure for Sustainable Development (SDG 9 & 7 / WSIS AL C2, C6, C7)

This session will focus on the initiatives undertaken at the regional level to address the development of broadband access and adoption of broadband as well as spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting.

Setting the Context & Moderation - Mr Jaroslaw Ponder, ITU Area Representative, Europe





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KEYNOTE: Future Infrastructure

- Mr Alban Karapici, Member of Council, Electronic and Postal Communications Authority (AKEP), Albania

ITU Interactive Transmission Maps

- Mr Istvan Bozsoki, Head of Telecommunication Networks and Spectrum Management Division, ITU

Mapping of the Quality of Service

- Ms Olga Van Zijverden, TUV Rheinland

Telecom and Energy Working Together

- Mr René Arnold, Head of Department Markets and Perspectives, WIK

Regional Approach in Roaming , Broadband Development and Digitization in South Eastern Europe

- Mr Gazmend Turdiu, Deputy Secretary General, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)

Technical Break

11:00 – 12:00

Session 2: Building Resilience and Trust for Sustainable Development (SDG 9 / WSIS AL C5)

This session will focus on the initiatives undertaken at the regional level for building confidence and security in the use of ICTs.

Setting the Context & Moderation – Ms Rosheen Awotar-Mauree, Programme Officer, Europe Coordination, ITU and Dr. Rytis Rainys, Director of the Network and Information Security Department, Communications Regulatory Authority of the Republic of Lithuania

KEYNOTE: Cybersecurity Strategy of the Republic of Cyprus

- Mr George Michaelides, Commissioner, Officer of the Commissioner of Electronic Communications and Postal Regulation, Cyprus

Regional Review of the National Approaches for Child Online Protection

- Mr Ahmet Çubukcu ICT expert, Telecommunications Regulator of Turkey

Platforms Fostering Regional Cooperation on COP and Cybersecurity

- Ms Ewa Dziemidowicz, Empowering Children Foundation Poland

Towards PPP in Cybersecurity

- Dr Laurent Chrzanovski, Swiss Web Academy, Romania

Reducing risks and building capacity

- Prof Michael Goldsmith, Global Cyber Security Capacity Centre, Oxford University

Facilitating the Sharing of Cybersecurity Expertise

- Mr David Van Duren, Secretariat Head, Global Forum on Cybersecurity Expertise

12:00 – 14:00

Lunch





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14:00 – 15:30 Session 3: Digital Inclusion and ICT Innovation for Sustainable Development (SDG 4/5/9, WSIS AL C3, C4, C7)

This session will focus on the initiatives undertaken at the regional level regarding access to telecommunications/ICTs, in particular for persons with disabilities, as well as entrepreneurship, innovation and youth

Setting the Context & Moderation - Ms Ieva Žilionienė, Director of the Strategy Department, Communications Regulatory Authority of the Republic of Lithuania

KEYNOTE: Mobile ID Challenges and Opportunities

- H.E. Karol Okonski, Under Secretary of State, Republic of Poland

Building National and Regional Capacities to Enhance ICT Accessibility

- Ms Amela Odobasic, Head of Public Affairs, Communications Regulatory Agency, Bosnia and Herzegovina

National Approaches to Innovation

- Ms Marsida Duskhu, Electronic and Postal Communications Authority (AKEP), Albania

Digital Literacy and Digital Skills

- Mr João Magalhães and Mr Pavel Racu, Academia de Codigo, Portugal

Capacity Building through an ITU Centre of Excellence

- Dr Toni Janevski, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje (FEEIT), The FYR Macedonia

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45 Session 4: New Collaborative Paradigms for ICT4SDG (SDG 4, 5, 17 / WSIS AL C1, C3, C11)

This session will focus on sharing national and regional strategies and policies strengthening multi-stakeholder support and partnerships for the implementation of ICT4SDG actions. It will also provide a platform for exchange of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, with a view to accelerating the implementation of the 2030 Agenda through ICTs.

Setting the Context & Moderation - Mr Jaroslaw Ponder, ITU Area Representative, Europe

KEYNOTE : H.E. Dejan Maslikovic, Assistant Minister, Republic of Serbia

ICT for Health: mHealth Hub for Europe (EC/ITU/WHO Project)

- Mr Per Hasvold, World Health Organization (WHO)

ICTs for Empowering Women

- Dr Danguole Rutkauskiene, Head of Young Computer User's School at Kaunas University of Technology and Head of Working Party at National Digital Coalition, Lithuania

ICTs for Agriculture

- Dr Laszlo Gabor Papocsi, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)





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ICTs for Education

- Mr Christoph.Legutko, Government and Policy - Central and Eastern Europe, INTEL

Technical Break

16:45 – 17:00

Closing Ceremony

- **Mr Brahima Sanou**, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau, International Telecommunication Union
- **H.E. Ričardas Degutis**, Vice Minister, Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Lithuania (MoTC)

17:30

Cocktail offered by the Communications Regulatory Authority of the Republic of Lithuania (RRT)

