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Status update of projects and Regional Initiatives

1. About BDT Projects

BDT projects advance sustainable development through ICTs for the benefit of ITU Membership

ITU CONSTITUTION

(Article 21 - Paragraph 118)

Union's dual responsibility as a United Nations specialized agency and as a executing agency for implementing projects

RESOLUTION 157

(Rev. Bucharest, 2022)

Strengthening of the project execution function in ITU

DECISION 13

(Busan, 2014)

Monitoring mechanism on ITU programmes and projects

BDT has a solid track record of implementing projects on the ground

330+ projects
since 2007

152
beneficiary countries

CHF 150M +
resources mobilized

Global, regional and national

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mobilizing our expertise on the ground



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Network and
infrastructure

Capacity
development



Digital services



Digital
Inclusion

Cybersecurity

Innovation



Policy and
regulation

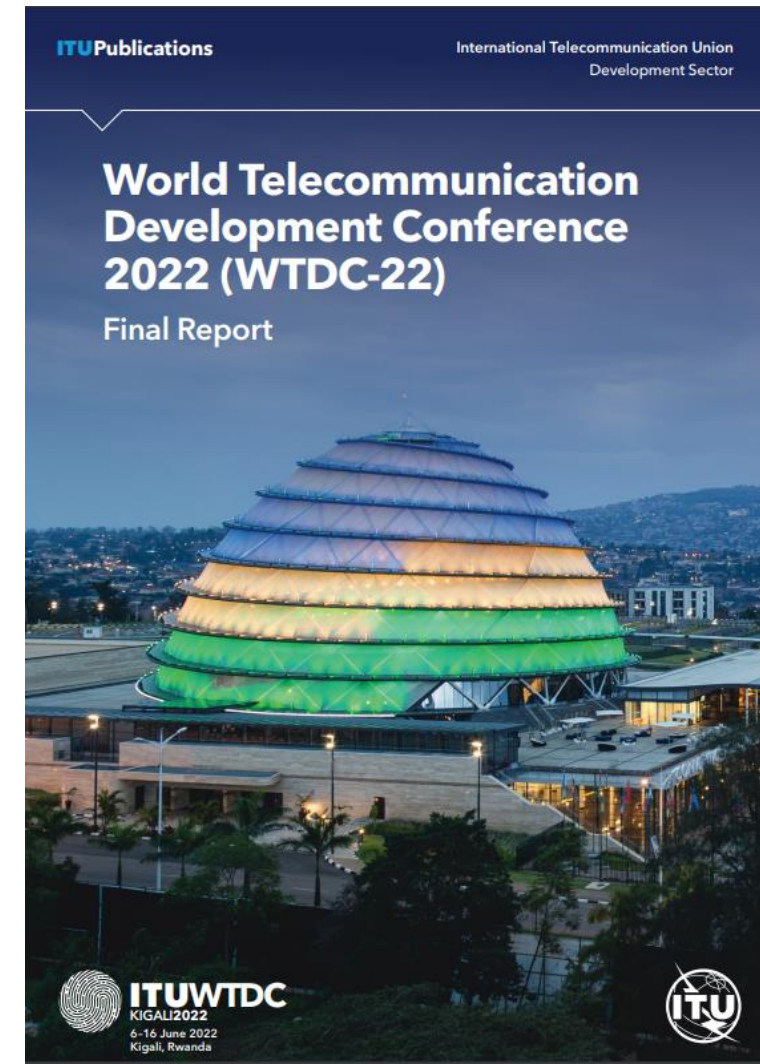
Innovation



Environment and
emergency
communications

Projects are instrumental to implement ITU-D priorities

1. Affordable connectivity
2. Digital transformation
3. Enabling policy and regulatory environment
4. Resource mobilization and international cooperation
5. Inclusive and secure telecommunications/ICTs for sustainable development



Characteristics of ITU-D Projects

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| <i>1. Results framework</i> | <i>They have a results framework defined within a Project Document, which is signed with the partner together with the CA.</i> |
| <i>2. Workplan and timeline</i> | <i>The implementation workplan and timeline is defined by the Project Document</i> |
| <i>3. Dedicated Budget</i> | <i>They have a separate budget envelope that includes funding for partner(s), and on some cases ITU funds.</i> |
| <i>4. Specific Terms and conditions</i> | <i>The terms of implementation are defined in a Cooperation Agreement (and other similar documents)</i> |
| <i>5. Cost recovery</i> | <i>They are implemented on a cost recovery basis (AOS + interests accumulated by funds)</i> |

Financing Mechanisms for ITU-D Projects

Delivering ITU-D's role as an executing agency

Funds in Trust

(from partner or 3rd party/donor) to support own projects
or 3rd party projects

ITU-D PROJECTS

ICT-DF

ITU ICT Development
Fund

Other ITU funds

approved by Council

(e.g. C-18 allocation in support of
WTDC-17 Regional Initiatives)

Max 25% ITU contribution

Approved by

ICT-DF Steer. Committee

Conditions defined by ToRs

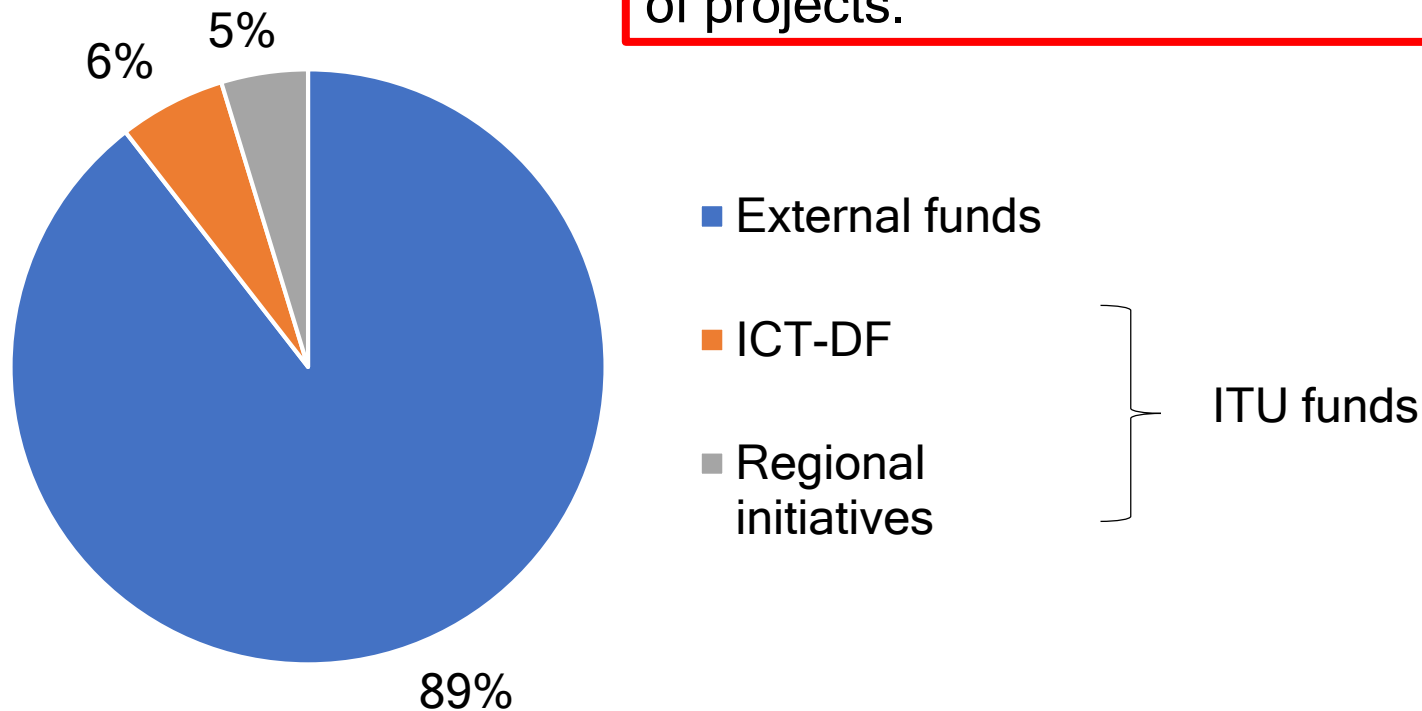
Specific conditions defined by
Council or ITU management

ITU is not a funding entity,
but a specialized agency of
the UN and an
executing agency.

External funds constitute main source of funding

9 out of 10 CHF invested in ITU-D projects is provided by funding partners

ITU's funds play a key role to ensure successful implementation of projects.

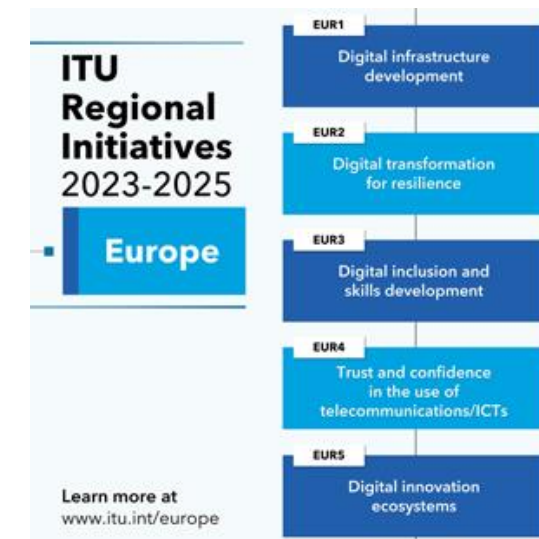
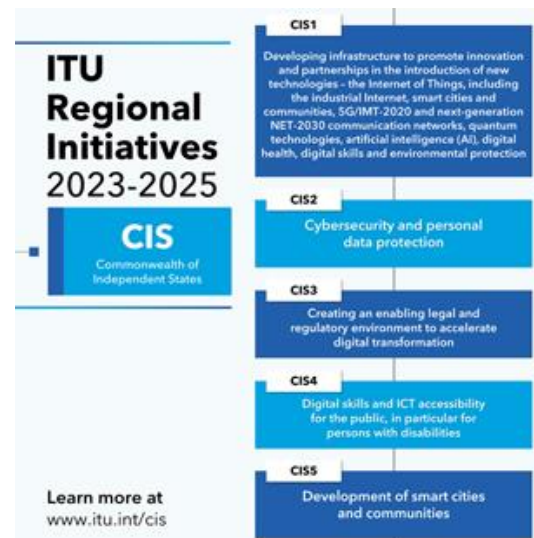
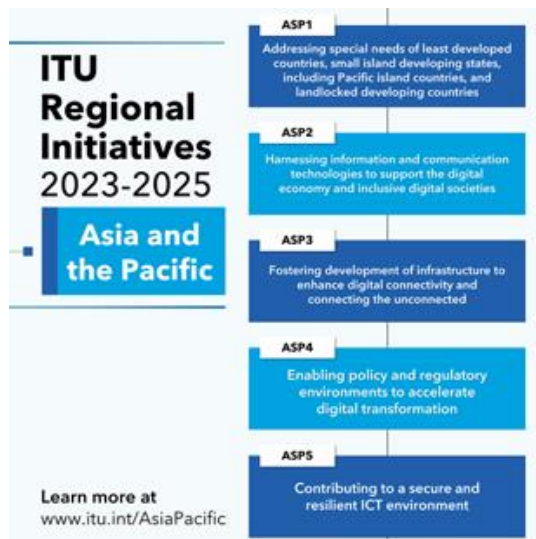
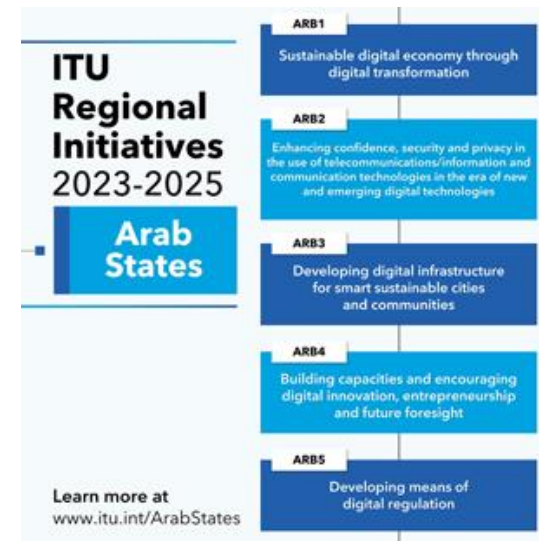
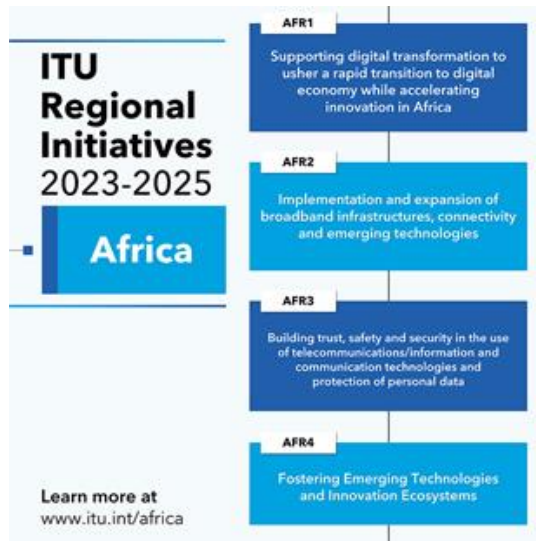


Scope and scale of ITU-D projects depend on:

- (1) the capacity of BDT to mobilize resources.
- (2) the availability of partners to provide financial support.
- (3) The conditions defined by the partners, and the alignment with ITU-D priorities

Projects and Regional Initiatives

implementing the outcomes of WTDC-22



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Regional initiatives
define the priorities for each region
established by ITU membership at WTDC

Projects can be used to advance interventions and
promote regional cooperation
in support of Regional Initiatives

Implementing WTDC-22 Regional Initiatives for AFR

RI	Short name	Regional Initiative
AFR 1	AFR1 - Digital transformation	Supporting digital transformation to usher in a rapid transition to a digital economy while accelerating innovation in Africa
AFR 2	AFR2 - Infrastructure and connectivity	Implementation and expansion of broadband infrastructures, connectivity and emerging technologies
AFR 3	AFR3 - Trust, safety and security	Building trust, safety and security in the use of telecommunications/information and communication technologies and protection of personal data
AFR 4	AFR4 -Innovation ecosystems	Fostering emerging technologies and innovation ecosystems

2. Overview of ITU-D Projects portfolio in the African region

Overview of ITU Projects in Africa (1/2)

(2018-2023)

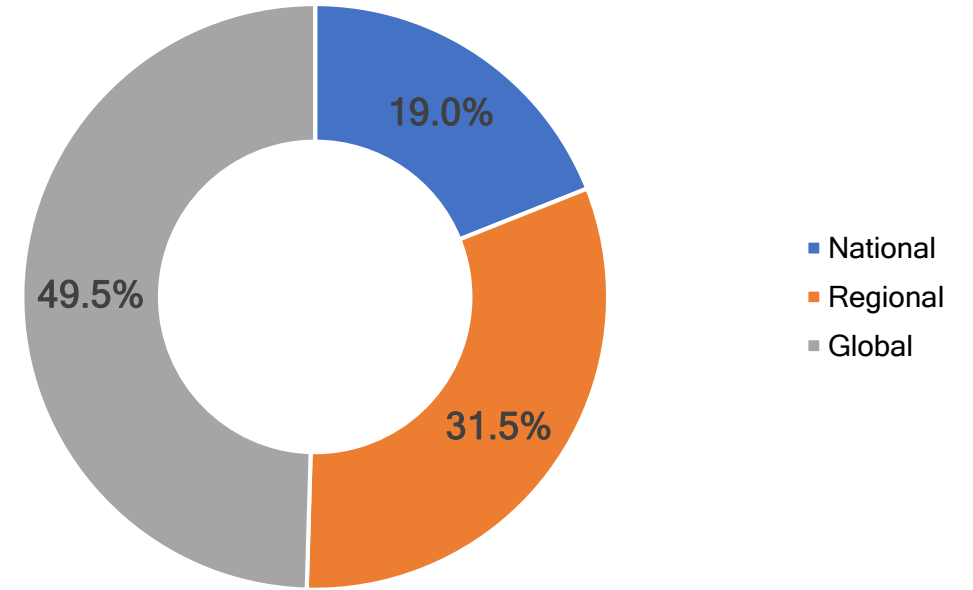
Portfolio of national/regional/global projects with activities in the region

	Projects	Partner contribution	ITU Funds	Total (CHF)
National projects	9	4.91	0.32	5.67
Regional projects	9	8.01	1.26	9.41
Global projects	17	8.93	3.37	14.81
Total	35	21.86	4.96	29.89

Portfolio of projects by status

	Projects	Partner contribution	ITU Funds	Total (CHF)
Implemented	13	2.03	1.16	5.86
Ongoing	22	19.84	3.80	24.03
Grand Total	35	21.86	4.96	29.89

Distribution of Projects in AFR by project budget

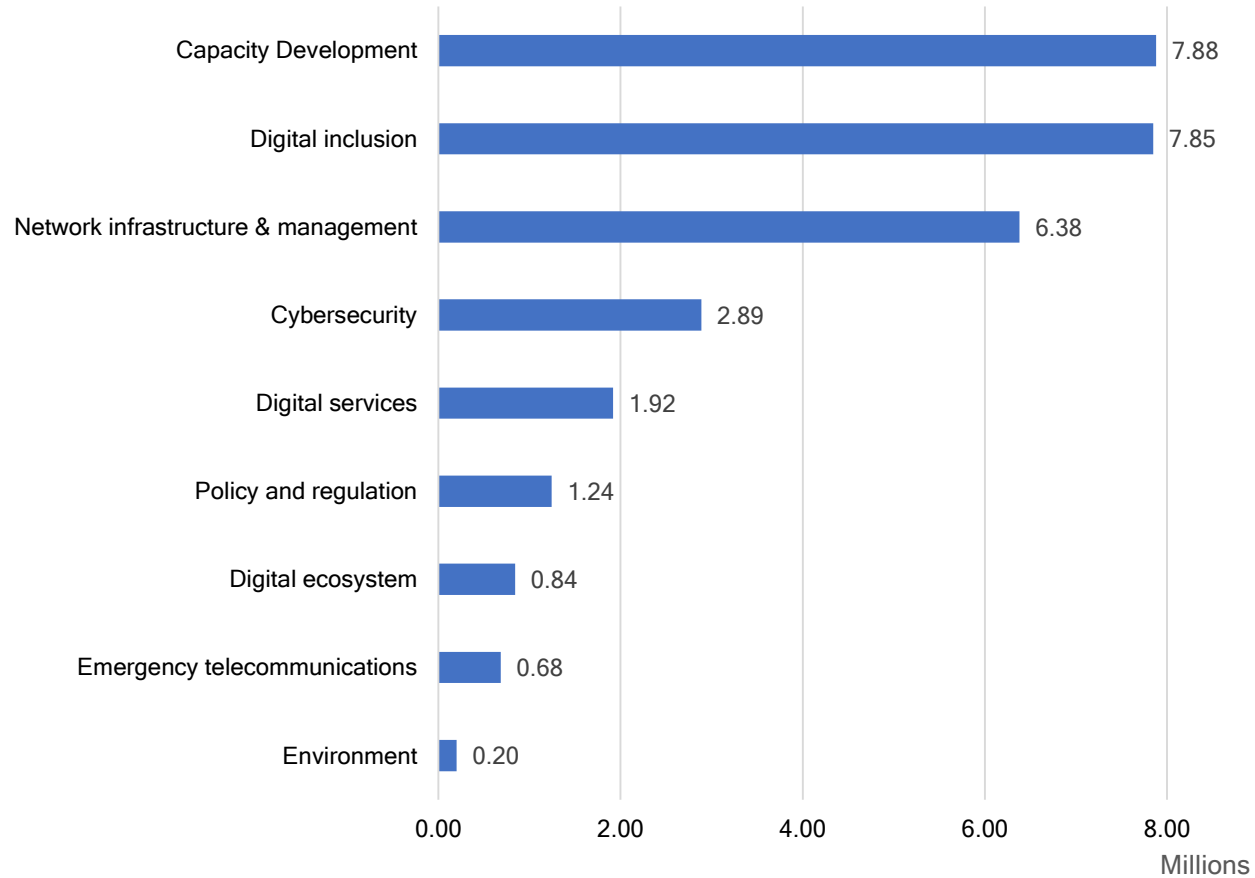


Funds in M CHF

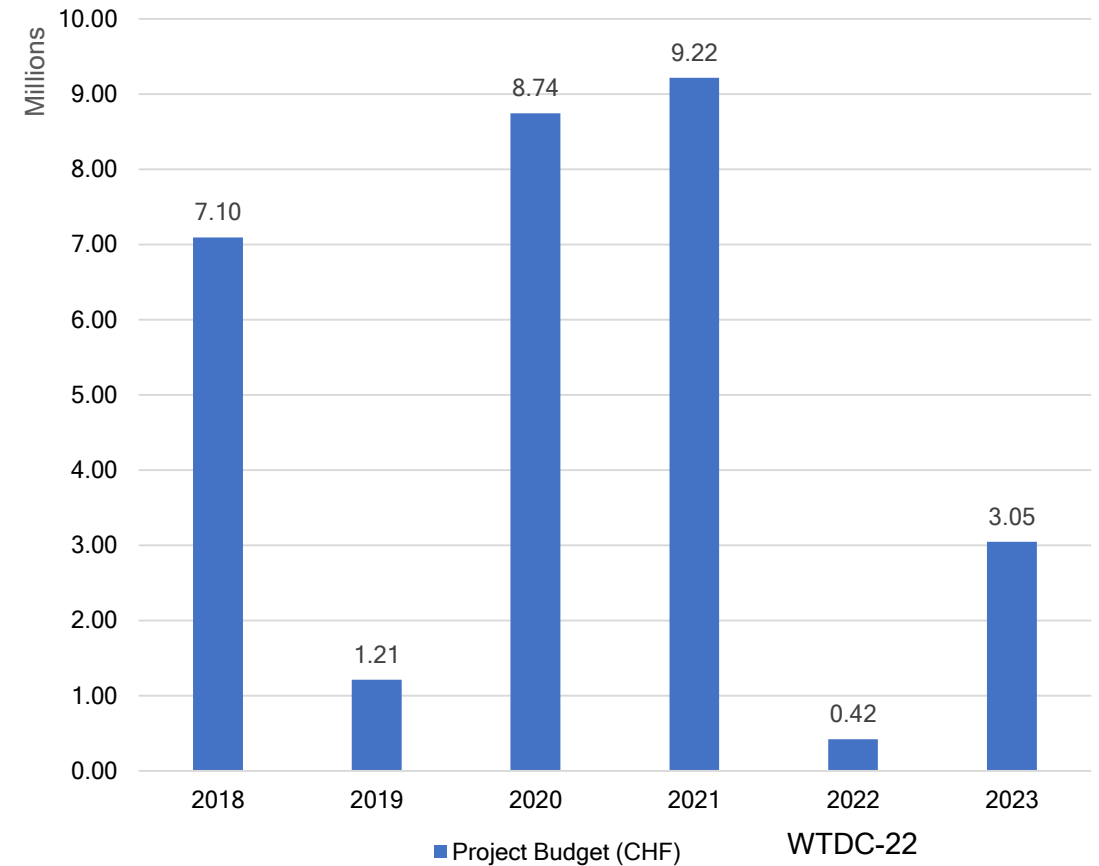
Overview of ITU Projects in Africa (2/2)

(2018-2023)

Distribution of Projects in AFR by thematic area



Funds signed in projects per year (CHF)



Current portfolio of on-going projects (1/2)

DIGITAL INCLUSION		
Project	Funding	Partner
Boosting decent jobs and enhancing skills for youth in Africa's digital economy	260,700	ILO
Laying the foundation for VaMoz Digital	2,201,211	EU
Technical Assistance and Training to Uganda on National ICT Development Strategy	1,651,100	SSCAF China

POLICY AND REGULATION		
Project	Funding	Partner
Benchmarking des TIC en Afrique Centrale	1,244,163	EU

CYBERSECURITY		
Project	Funding	Partner
Malawi CERT Establishment	391,050	MACRA Malawi

DIGITAL ECOSYSTEMS		
Project	Funding	Partner
Establishment of an African Digital Transformation Center (ATDC) in South Africa	265,045	DCDT South Africa

POLICY AND REGULATION		
Project	Funding	Partner
PRIDA-ITU Delegation Agreement for Action	5,263,767	EU

Current portfolio of on-going projects (2/2)

DIGITAL INCLUSION		
Project	Funding	Partner
Accelerating Africa's Digital Transformation Through Connectivity	521,400	Microsoft
Develop and nurture sustainable digital innovation ecosystems that accelerate youth resilience and empowerment in Benin	238,975	UNFPA

DIGITAL SERVICES		
Project	Funding	Partner
Global Programme Digital Transformation - Horn of Africa Digital Government initiative	847,907	GIZ

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3. Opportunities to partner with ITU

Opportunities for Partnership

Possible priority areas for partnership opportunities:

- Advancing digital transformation.
- Strengthening infrastructure and connectivity; schools, health units, government and others
- Digital inclusion; skills and accessibility for all
- Building a digital economy by fostering innovation, entrepreneurship and emerging technologies.
- Building trust, safety and security.

Cross cutting components

- Capacity development
- Policy and Regulation
- Sustainability



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**Annex -
Project implemented in the Africa region
(2018-2023)**

Detailed information on projects in AFR (2018-2023) (1/4)

National and regional projects

Title	Thematic Priority(ies)	Status	Start Date	End Date	Partner funds	ITU funds	Total (CHF)	Type of project
Coding Camps and ICT training for Young Girls in Africa - Phase 1	Digital inclusion	Implemented	Jul 18	Oct 19	501,287	130,350	631,637	Regional
Communications CIRT Establishment	Cybersecurity	Implemented	Sep 18	Dec 20	269,977	-	269,977	National
PRIDA-ITU Delegation Agreement for Action	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	Dec 18	May 24	4,785,242	478,524	5,263,767	Regional
Using Digital Health Services to accelerate SDG in the Africa Region in the context of Regional Initiative 1 (AFR1) -	Digital services	Ongoing	Jan 19	Dec 21	141,414	150,000	291,414	Regional
Enhanced National KE-CIRT/CC Kenya	Cybersecurity	Implemented	Jun 19	Dec 21	41,495	-	41,495	National
Establishment of an African Digital Transformation Center (ATDC) in South Africa	Digital ecosystem	Ongoing	Sep 19	Dec 22	265,045	-	265,045	National
Malawi CERT Establishment	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	Oct 19	Jul 23	391,050	-	391,050	National
Détection automatique de la rétinopathie diabétique au Sénégal	Digital services	Implemented	Feb 20	Jun 21	195,004	-	195,004	National
Boosting decent jobs and enhancing skills for youth in Africa's digital economy	Capacity Development	Ongoing	Feb 20	Dec 25		130,350	260,700	Regional

Detailed information on projects in AFR (2018-2023) (2/4)

National and regional projects

Title	Thematic Priority(ies)	Status	Start Date	End Date	Partner funds	ITU funds	Total (CHF)	Type of project
Ensuring continuity of learning for the most vulnerable children and youth in Senegal	Network infrastructure & management	Implemented	Nov 20	Dec 22	95,092	-	95,092	National
Develop and nurture sustainable digital innovation ecosystems that accelerate youth resilience and empowerment in Benin, with a robust gender approach	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	Jan 21	Sep 25	152,075	86,900	238,975	National
Technical Assistance and Training to Uganda on National ICT Development Strategy	Capacity Development	Ongoing	Jan 21	Dec 23	1,564,200	86,900	1,651,100	National
Smart Villages Project for Rural Development in Niger	Digital services	Implemented	Feb 21	Jan 23		150,000	584,500	National
Benchmarking des TIC en Afrique Centrale	Policy and regulation	Ongoing	Jun 21	Dec 23	957,048	287,115	1,244,163	Regional
Accelerating Africa's Digital Transformation Through Connectivity	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	Aug 21	Dec 23	434,500	86,900	521,400	Regional
Global Programme Digital Transformation - Horn of Africa Digital Government initiative	Digital services	Ongoing	Jan 23	Feb 25	847,907	-	847,907	Regional
Laying the foundation for VaMoz Digital	Capacity Development	Ongoing	May 23	Apr 27	2,201,211	-	2,201,211	National

Detailed information on projects in AFR (2018-2023) (3/4)

Global projects with activities in the African region

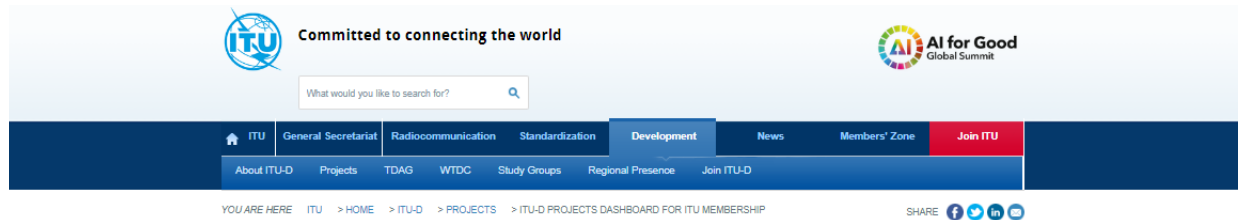
Title	Thematic Priority(ies)	Status	Start Date	End Date	Partner funds	ITU funds	Total (CHF)	Type of project
National Spectrum Management Assistance Workshop	Network infrastructure & management	Implemented	Jan 18	Dec 21	144,567	-	144,567	Global
Implementation of Phase 2 of ITU Disaster Connectivity Maps (DCM)	Emergency telecommunications	Ongoing	Jan 23	Dec 24	183,359	-	183,359	Global
Bridging the Digital Gender Divide for Women Entrepreneurs	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	Feb 22	Jul 23	191,180	47,795	238,975	Global
Establishment of the Cyber4Good initiative	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	Jan 22	Dec 24	218,119	218,119	436,238	Global
Enhancement of National Emergency Telecommunication Plans and Coordination to Save Lives	Emergency telecommunications	Ongoing	Apr 18	Dec 23		500,000	500,000	Global
Creating a Safe and Prosperous Cyberspace for Children	Cybersecurity	Ongoing	Aug 21	Dec 24	1,401,263	347,600	1,748,863	Global
GIGA Phase Two	Digital inclusion	Implemented	Aug 21	Mar 23	477,950	119,488	597,438	Global
EACO Regional WEEE Data Harmonization - Circular Economy for Electronics, Part 3	Environment	Implemented	Mar 21	Dec 22		112,970	112,970	Global
Connect2Recover - Digital Infrastructure and Ecosystem Reinforcement Against COVID-19	Digital ecosystem	Ongoing	Feb 21	Aug 23	488,813	-	488,813	Global

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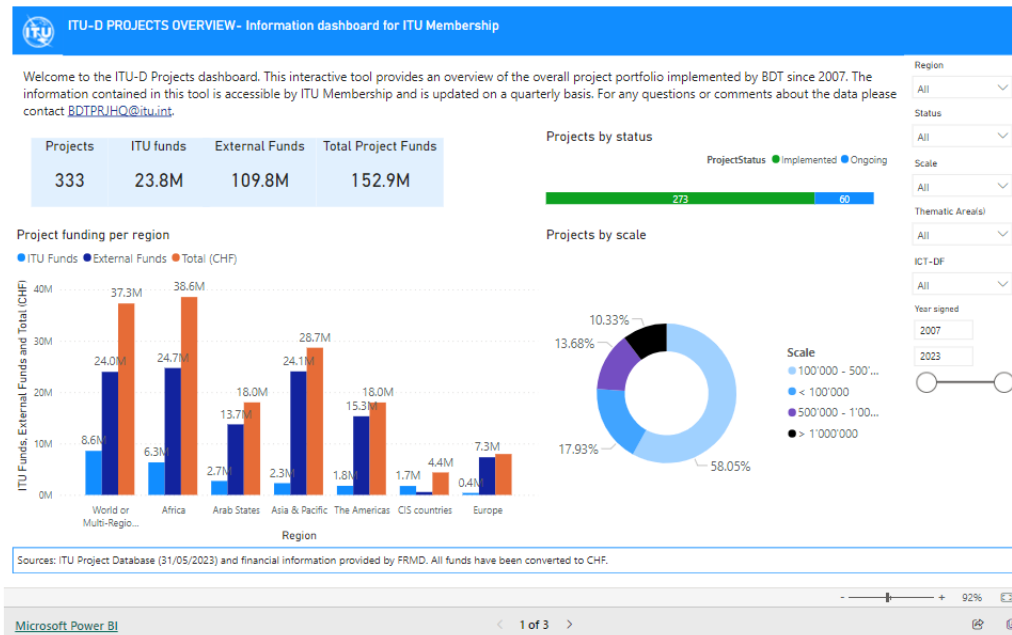
Title	Thematic Priority(ies)	Status	Start Date	End Date	Partner funds	ITU funds	Total (CHF)	Type of project
Giga and DAP - Promoting enabling policy and regulation (LDCs)	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	Mar 21	Dec 23	1,594,635	239,844	1,834,479	Global
Broadband Connectivity for the Unconnected	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	Jan 21	Dec 23	157,563	156,420	313,983	Global
Assistance for the Establishment of National Spectrum Management basic framework systems	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	Jan 19	Dec 23	154,654	-	341,816	Global
Capacity Building on an ICT centric innovation ecosystem	Digital ecosystem	Implemented	Apr 19	Apr 22	71,819	-	88,505	Global
Boosting digital skills through Digital Transformation Centres (DTCs)	Capacity Development	Ongoing	Jan 21	Dec 23	3,008,468	759,024	3,767,492	Global
Enhancing the Digital Ecosystem and Digital Skills for the economic empowerment of women in LDCs	Digital inclusion	Ongoing	Jul 20	Sep 23	693,552	373,883	1,067,435	Global
Giga - a Global School Connectivity Initiative	Digital inclusion	Implemented	Mar 20	Jun 21		500,000	2,718,123	Global
Assistance in the implementation of spectrum management and monitoring system	Network infrastructure & management	Ongoing	Jan 20	Jun 23	147,664	-	222,879	Global

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