Regional Project on IoT, Big Data and Smart Cities

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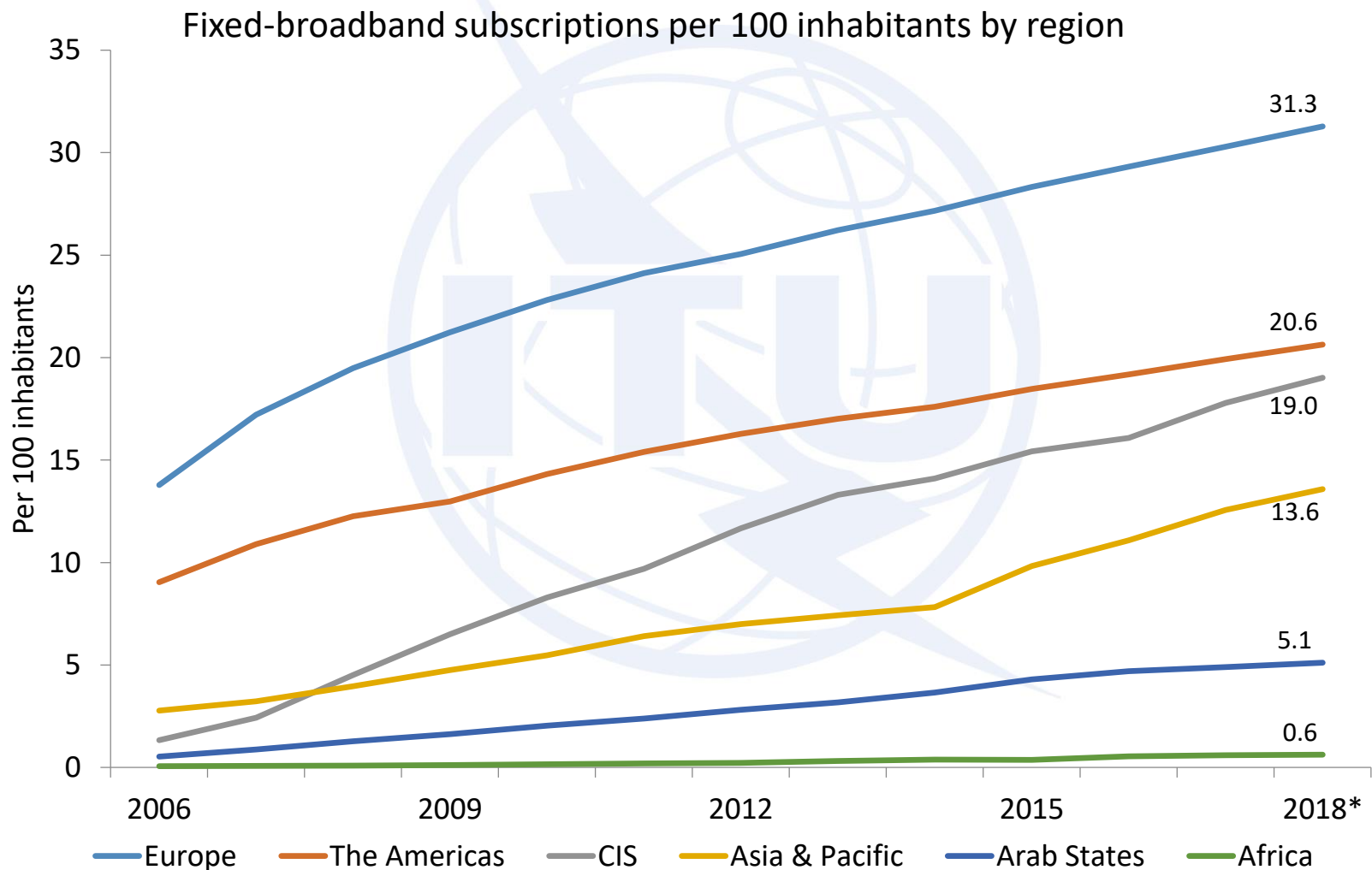
fixed-broadband subscriptions are growing globally… but slower in the Arab region

Fixed-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants by region

Europe — The Americas — CIS — Asia & Pacific — Arab States — Africa

Mobile-broadband subscriptions still growing strong

Active mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants by region
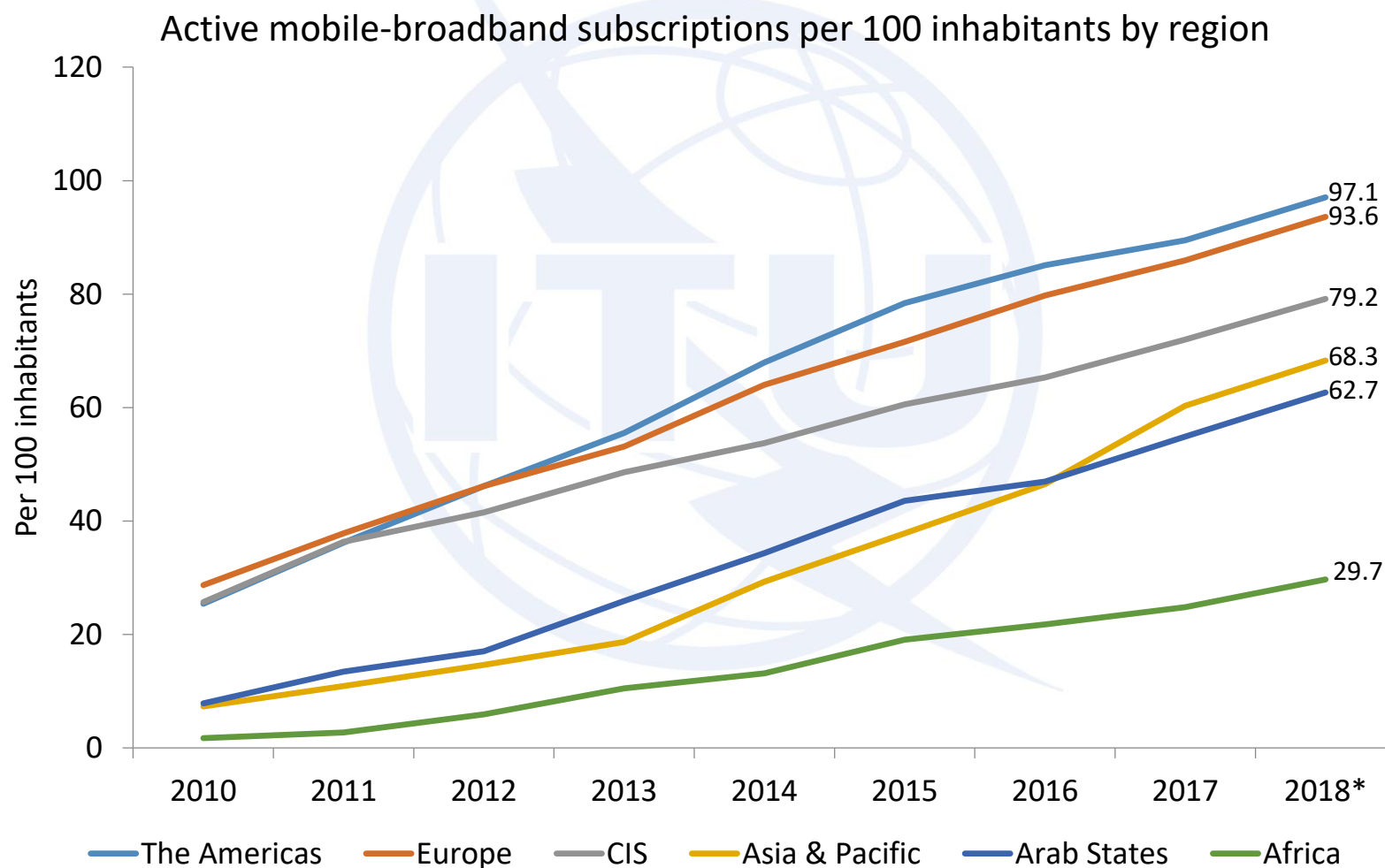
International bandwith increasing strongly satisfying growing data needs

International bandwidth usage per Internet user (kbit/s), 2017

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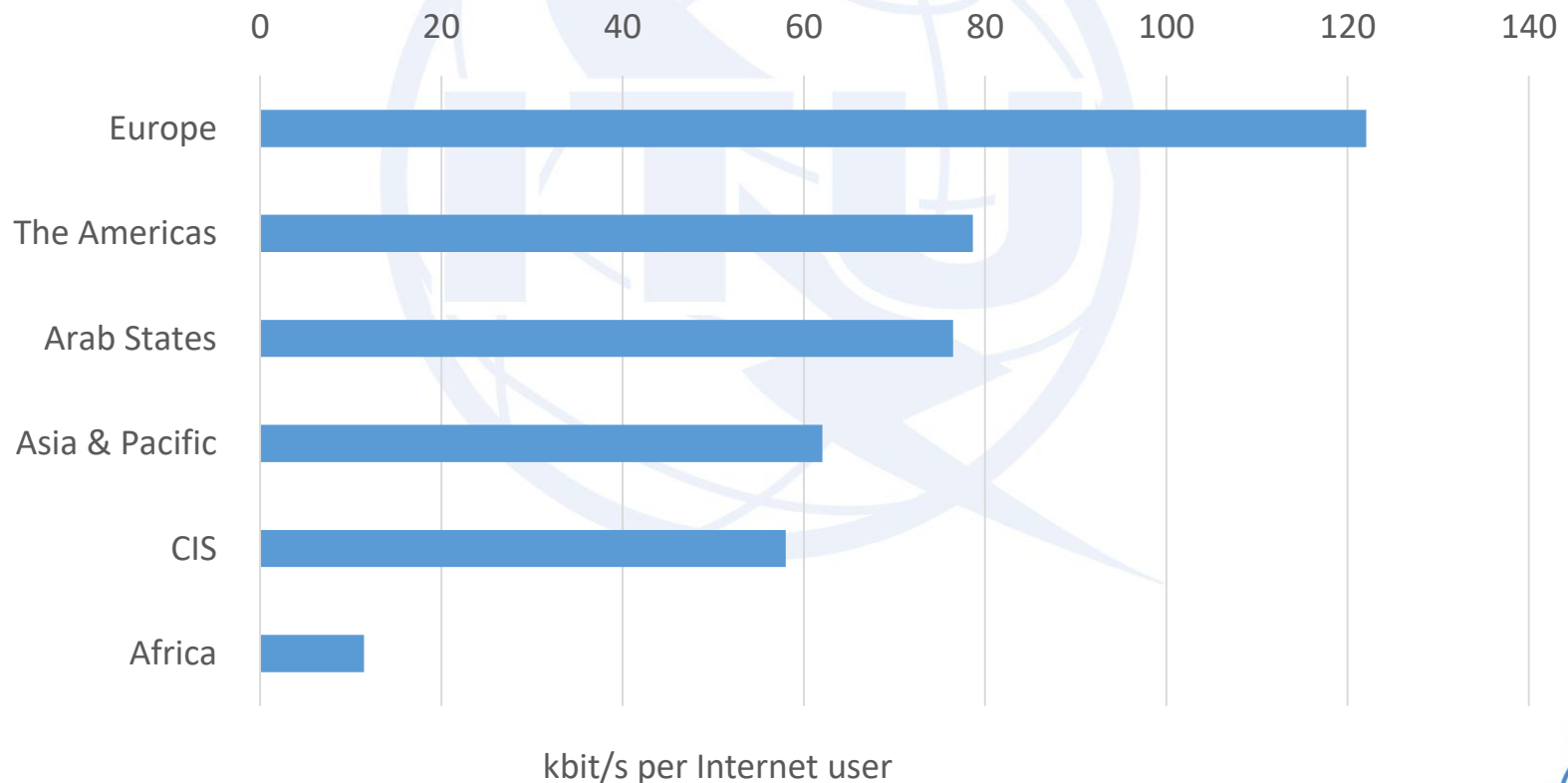
Why a Regional Project

- WTDC Regional Initiative
- A need to promote the use of emerging technologies to reach developmental goals including SDGs
- Assist in bridging the digital gap within the region
- Promote cross regional collaboration
- Empower innovators
- Assist in establishing enabling environments for emerging technologies

Project

| Forum | Hakathon | Policy and Regulatory Assistance | Capacity Building Programmes |

- Share and learn from experiences
- Showcase and empower innovators
- Assist countries in creating enabling environments
- Build capacities of policy makers and industry leaders on areas relevant to utilizing ICTs for developmental purposes

Timeline and Targets

3 Forums

3 Hakathons

Atleast 3 countries assisted to formulate policy and Regulatory frameworks

3 Capacity building programmes targeting policy makers

Project will be from 2019-2021

Will target raising funds from funding partners and sponsors amounting to 200,000 USD

Thank you!

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