Regional Initiative 5: Telecommunication/ICT policy and Regulation in the Asia-Pacific Region

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*LDC: Least Developed Countries  
SIDS: Small Island Developing States*
RI 5: Telecommunication/ICT policy and regulation in the Asia-Pacific region:

To assist Member States in developing of appropriate policy and regulatory frameworks, enhancing skills, increasing information sharing and strengthening regulatory cooperation.

- Enhanced Regulatory Environment through top-level regulatory dialogues and information exchanges in Asia-Pacific Regulators’ Roundtables: (Australia in 2011, India in 2012, Rep. of Korea in 2013 and Australia in 2014); Case Studies on Broadband and Broadcasting from Asia-Pacific, used as reference materials and tools by ITU members.

- Create awareness to strengthen national policy frameworks in People’s Republic of China and selected countries through ITU-MIIT (China) Seminars (2011-2014)

- Implemented actions include training on Smart Sustainable City (with TSB), satellite coordination (with BR), direct country assistances on ICT sector growth (Nepal), Enabling Efficiency in Energy Management through ICTs (Pakistan), Licensing (Cambodia, Timor Leste), National ICT Indicators and Statistics Frameworks (Lao PDR, Philippines), Telecommunication Regulatory Dispute Resolution (Myanmar), Improving Interoperability framework (Mongolia), e-Agriculture (Sri Lanka), Competition framework (Bhutan), etc.

- Report on Universal Service Policy for the Provision of Broadband to Schools in ASEAN Member Countries
2012: at least 13 events on **Spectrum** (2), Costing, Digital Inclusion (2), **IPv6/BB** (2), USO, Cybersecurity, others  
2013: 20 events on **Spectrum** (3), Costing, Licensing, Digital Inclusion, Cybersecurity (2), **IPv6/BB** (2), others  
2014: 20 events on **Spectrum** (5), Costing, Cybersecurity (2), IPv6/BB (2), others

2012: at least 9 Actions on **Spectrum** (Papua New Guinea, Myanmar, Thailand, Bangladesh), **Cybersecurity** (Philippines and Maldives), Radiocom Law (Cambodia), Digital Inclusion (Afghanistan, Nepal)  
2013: at least 16 Actions on **Spectrum** (Solomon Islands, Lao PDR, Indonesia, Mongolia, Kiribati), ICT Statistics (Philippines, Lao PDR), Licensing (Myanmar), **Cybersecurity** (Bhutan), others (Nepal, Sri Lanka, Brunei Darussalam, Myanmar)
**RI 5 Implementation Highlights**

Direct Country Actions and Regulatory Areas

**2014:** at least **17 Actions** on **Spectrum** (Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Indonesia), Licensing (Timor Leste), ICT and Women (India) **Cybersecurity** (Vanuatu), **IPv6** (Lao, Bhutan), Type Approval (Sri Lanka), e-Gov policy (Bhutan), Dispute Resolution (Myanmar), Numbering, (Lao PDR), others

**Programmed in 2015**
Actions in the areas of licensing, costing, **Spectrum**, **cybersecurity policy**, BB, policy and regulatory capacity building, digital inclusion, post-liberalization review, conformance and interoperability, numbering.
New areas on **OTT**, big data, open data, cloud computing and digital financial inclusion.
Continuing Policy and Regulatory Fora

- **Asia-Pacific Regulators’ Roundtable**
  - ACMA Australia in 2011
  - TRAI India in 2012
  - KCC Korea in 2013
  - ACMA Australia in 2014
  - MCMC Malaysia in 2015


- **ITU-IDA Executive Training Program (2012-2015)**
## Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives

### 2015-2017

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Objective
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RI 5: Policy and Regulation
2015-2017

EXPECTED RESULTS

1. Development of appropriate policies, regulatory frameworks relating to the regional initiatives, where necessary

2. Enhancing the skills of relevant human resources

3. Promotion of regulatory cooperation and information sharing
Objective:
Creating awareness of cyberthreats, cybersecurity measures and quality of service in the use of ICTs.
National training, regional forum
Direct country assistances

Potential partners
National Administrations, Private sector, regulatory Agencies, UNICEF

Country or countries involved
Interested countries From Asia-Pacific

2015 Activities
National training, regional forum
Direct country assistances

2016 Activities
Direct country assistances, Trainings workshops

2017 Activities
Direct country assistances, Trainings workshops
Objective:
Development of appropriate policies, regulations and legislative frameworks
Interested countries From Asia-Pacific
Objective:
Build capacity that support development of appropriate policies, legislations in the Asia-Pacific region.
**Estimated budget**
CHF 500,000

**Potential partners**
Funding agencies, development partners

**Country or countries involved**
Interested countries From Asia-Pacific

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**2015 Activities**
- Forums, direct country assistances, Face-to-face and online trainings

**2016 Activities**
- Forums, direct country assistances, Face-to-face and online trainings

**2017 Activities**
- Forums, direct country assistances, Face-to-face and online trainings
Objective:
To provide assistance in assessing and reviewing the current national spectrum management practices and regulatory frameworks followed by the development of national spectrum management master plans. It will also involve building capacity through workshops and trainings jointly organized by ITU and MSIP, Republic of Korea.
2015 Activities
Direct country assistances and Training workshops

2016 Activities
Direct country assistances and Training workshops

Estimated budget: CHF 139,000
Potential partners: MSIP, Rep, of Korea
Country or countries involved: Pakistan, VietNam, Thailand
ITU’s Partners in the Asia-Pacific Region

Ministry of Internal Affairs & Communications, Japan
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Australian Government
National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC), Thailand
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United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
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AIBD
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United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
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iDA
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Telecom Regulatory Commission Sri Lanka
MINIT I.R. Iran
Asian Development Bank
APNIC
ESCAP
And Many More from the Industry!!
Others are welcome to be our Partner!
Looking forward to inputs, proposals and expressions of partnership/interest from RDF 2015
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Thank You