

Regional Initiatives adopted at WTDC-14

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EUROPE – 2010 → 2014

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Evolution of Regional Initiatives: 2010 → 2014

WTDC - 2010		WTDC – 2014
RI-2 Facilitating the smooth transition from analogue to digital broadcasting	→	RI-1 Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting
		RI-2 Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband
RI-1 Accompany efforts to improve E-accessibility in Central and Eastern Europe	→	RI-3 Ensuring access to telecommunications/ICTs, in particular for persons with disabilities
		RI-4 Building confidence and security in using telecommunications/ICTs
		RI-5 Entrepreneurship, innovation and youth
RI-3 Share best practices in the implementation of e-applications, including e-health		

Regional Initiatives Adopted by WTDC-10

- **EUR1** Accompany efforts to improve E-accessibility in Central and Eastern Europe

Objective: To provide assistance to Member States in order to offer e-accessibility (including Internet and information access) for blind people and people with visual impairment problems.

- **EUR2** Facilitating the smooth transition from analogue to digital broadcasting

Objective: To assist Member States in Central and Eastern Europe in making a smooth transition from analogue to digital broadcasting, taking into account the GE06 Agreement on digital terrestrial broadcasting as well as the work undertaken by relevant European regional organizations and entities, to avoid duplication of effort.

- **EUR3** Share best practices in the implementation of e-applications, including e-health

Objective: To share best practices in the implementation of e-applications, including e-health

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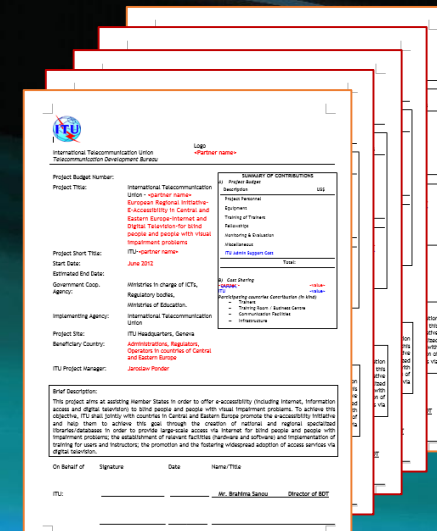
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Bottom-up Approach



Five
Regional
Initiatives
Objective/
Results



Implementation Period
2015-2017

Bottom-up Approach Open to All Stakeholders

Open Consultation

Kick-off at
CEPT ITU-Com
12 February

Preliminary Commitments

Deadline
27 March

Expression of
willingness to
contribute to the
implementation of RI

Regional Development Forum

20-22 April
Romania

Establishment of the
Implementation Plan
for Regional
Initiatives (Project
Documents/Concept
Notes to follow)

ITU Regional Development Forums Worldwide

- **ITU Arab Regional Development Forum**
(Amman, Jordan, 23-24 March 2015)
- **ITU Regional Development Forum for Members of CIS/RCC**
(Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, 31 March to 1 April 2015)
- **ITU Europe Regional Development Forum**
(Bucharest, Romania, 20-22 April 2015)
- **ITU Africa Regional Development Forum**
(June 2015)
- **ITU Americas Regional Development Forum**
(Mexico, 14 July 2015)
- **ITU Asia-Pacific Regional Development Forum**
(Bangkok, Thailand, from 21 to 22 August 2015)

Creating Global
Impact and
Synergies



Building Blocks and Impact of Regional Initiatives



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Evolution of Regional Initiatives: GLOBAL OVERVIEW

AFRICA	AMERICAS	ARAB STATES	ASIA&PACIFIC	CIS	EUROPE
Strengthening human and institutional capacity building	Emergency telecommunications	Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband	Special consideration for least developed countries, small island developing states, including Pacific island countries, and landlocked developing countries	Creating a child online protection centre for the CIS region	RI-1 Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting
Strengthening and harmonizing policy and regulatory frameworks for the integration of African telecommunication/ICT markets	Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting	Building confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs	Emergency telecommunications	Ensuring access to telecommunication/ICT services for persons with disabilities	RI-2 Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband
Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband	Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband	Use of telecommunications/ICTs for smart and sustainable development and protection of the environment	Harnessing the benefits of new technologies	Introduction of training technologies and methods using telecommunications/ICTs for human capacity building	RI-3 Ensuring access to telecommunications/ICTs, in particular for persons with disabilities
Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting	Reduction of telecommunication service prices and Internet access costs	Smart learning	Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband	Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband	RI-4 Building confidence and security in using telecommunications/ICTs
Building confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs	Capacity building to engage in global ICT policy, with special focus on improving cybersecurity and developing countries' participation in the existing Internet governance institutions	Ensuring access to telecommunications/ICTs, in particular for persons with disabilities	Policy and regulation	Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs	RI-5 Entrepreneurship, innovation and youth

EUROPE – WTDC-2014 – Outcomes

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RI-EUR5 - Entrepreneurship, innovation and youth

WTDC-14 Outcomes

- **Objective:** To foster the creation of an enabling environment and build capacities at the regional level, aimed at growth of entrepreneurship and increased innovation in the ICT ecosystem, while encouraging empowerment of young men and women and creating new opportunities for them in the ICT sector.
- **Expected results:** Assistance to the countries in need in the following:
 1. A stronger and expanded regional network of ICT incubators
 2. Improved performance, gender-responsiveness and sustainability of ICT incubators across the region
 3. Enhanced competitiveness and sustainability of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in the region
 4. Integration of ICT professionals, including young people and students, into the employment market by providing them with appropriate skills and knowledge and promoting self-development to help them find employment or create their own businesses.



RI-EUR4 - Building confidence and security in the use of telecommunications/ICTs / WTDC-14 Outcomes

- **Objective**: To build trust and confidence in the use of ICTs among children and young people in Europe.
- **Expected results**: Assistance to the countries in need in the following:
 1. Utilizing the existing knowledge on risk and vulnerabilities to which children are exposed in cyberspace and providing best practices
 2. Providing a platform to raise awareness on child online protection (COP) and safety issues
 3. Developing and implementing roadmaps for national or regional COP initiatives.



RI-EUR3 - Ensuring access to telecommunications/ICTs, in particular for persons with disabilities / WTDC-14

- **Objective:** To further promote e-accessibility in the ICT ecosystem, and provide the administrations with the most suitable solutions available.
- **Expected results:** Assistance to the countries in need in the following:
 1. Formulation of strategic plans and regulatory frameworks promoting e-accessibility and building confidence in ICT use at the national level
 2. Creating the environment for the deployment of solutions for e-accessibility, including television/ICT applications for people with disabilities
 3. Capacity building and promoting e-education solutions.



RI-EUR2 – Development of broadband access and adoption of broadband / WTDC-14 Outcomes

- **Objective:** Due to significant differences in European countries, there is an urgent need to take steps and assist administrations in every aspect of the practical implementation and development of high-speed networks.
- **Expected results:** Assistance to the countries in need in the following:
 1. Creation of new legislative paradigms fostering broadband development, including cost-effective solutions for remote and rural areas and models for infrastructure-sharing including applications of smart grids
 2. Establishment of national and local/regional broadband roll-out plans and monitoring of the implementation and elaboration of relevant cross-sectoral policies and strategies, including setting up national coordination mechanisms
 3. Development of plans for broadband infrastructure roll-out, including in remote and rural areas
 4. Mapping of broadband infrastructure across the region
 5. Monitoring of the quality of services and consumer protection



RI-EUR1 – Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting / WTDC-14 Outcomes

- **Objective:** To foster regional cooperation, mainly supplemented by direct assistance to the administrations in the process of analogue TV switch-off, and management of the frequencies in the digital dividend bands, which are to be utilized bearing in mind the most effective use of radio spectrum.

- **Expected results:**

Assistance to the countries in need in the following:

1. Transition from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting and switch-off process
2. Capacity building in spectrum management, including in the digital dividend band
3. Elaboration of studies, benchmarks and guidelines on the economic and policy aspects of the assignment and use of the radio-frequency spectrum.



**EUROPE - RI-EUR1: Spectrum management and transition to
digital broadcasting**

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RI-EUR1: Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting / 2015-2017 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- 2015
 - April: Pan-European overview of transition from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting
Digital Switchover Overview database completion.
 - May: Regional Seminar on Spectrum Management and Digital Broadcasting (Hungary)
 - Sep-Dec: ITU cooperation platform for transition from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting and switch-off process
 - Sep-Dec: Experience sharing on innovative spectrum monitoring tools
 - May-Dec: Spectrum Management Training Programme (SMTP) on the ITU Academy trainings of ITU Academy, including CoEs Training



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• 2016

- Q1/Q2: Regional Seminar on Outcomes of WRC-15
- Sept: Skills building events on Spectrum Management & Broadcasting
- Jan-Dec: ITU cooperation platform for transition from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting and switch-off process
- Q3: Cross-regional consultation and training course – Hungary
- Q4: Meeting of Sub-regional Coordination Mechanisms
- Jan-Dec: Twinnings and country assistance upon request
- Jan-Dec: Spectrum Management Training Programme (SMTP) on the ITU Academy trainings of ITU Academy, including CoEs Training
- Dec: Reporting to Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-14



RI-EUR1: Spectrum management and transition to digital broadcasting / 2015-2017 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- 2017
- Q1/Q2: Regional Seminar on Spectrum and Broadcasting – Hungary
- Sept: Skills building events on Spectrum Management & Broadcasting
- Jan-Dec: Twinnings and country assistance upon request
- Jan-Dec: Spectrum Management Training Programme (SMTP) on the ITU Academy trainings of ITU Academy, including CoEs Training
- Dec: **Reporting to Regional Preparatory Meeting for WTDC-17**

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