

# **ITU-D Study Groups**

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# Overview of ITU-D Study Groups

**ITU-D study groups** provide an opportunity for the membership to share experiences, present ideas, exchange views, and achieve consensus on strategies to address telecommunication/ICT priorities.

- **Key deliverables:**

Reports, Guidelines, Best Practices and Recommendations based on inputs through contributions, case studies and surveys, which are made available to the membership through content management systems and web publication tools.

- **Main services:**

**Knowledge platform:** Study Group outputs serve as guidance for the implementation of policies, strategies, projects and specific telecommunication/ICT initiatives in Member States and contribute to strengthening the shared knowledge base.

**Information exchange:** Sharing and exchanging information on topics of common interest and dedicated topics of interest (study Questions) through face-to-face meetings, multilingual remote participation, online collaborative sites, etc. among members with the leadership of appointed chairmen, vice-chairmen, rapporteurs and vice-rapporteurs.

# ITU-D Study Group 1 and 2 reports for the 2014-2017 study period

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## Study Group 1 Questions



## Study Group 2 Questions





































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# ITU-D SG1 and SG2 Questions under study (2018-2021)

**SG1:** Enabling environment for the development of telecommunications/ICTs

**SG2:** ICT services and applications for the promotion of sustainable development

Study Question	Relevant SDG WSIS Action Line
Q1/1: Strategies and policies for the deployment of broadband in developing countries	    
Q2/1: Strategies, policies, regulations and methods of migration and adoption of digital broadcasting and implementation of new services	  
Q3/1: Emerging technologies, including cloud computing, m-services, and OTTs: Challenges and opportunities, economic and policy impact for developing countries	      
Q4/1: Economic policies and methods of determining the costs of services related to national telecommunication/ICT networks	   
Q5/1: Telecommunications/ICTs for rural and remote area	    
Q6/1: Consumer information, protection and rights: Laws, regulation, economic bases, consumer networks	    
Q7/1: Access to telecommunication/ICT services by persons with disabilities and other persons with specific needs	    

Study Question	Relevant SDG WSIS Action Line
Q1/2: Creating smart cities and society: Employing ICTs for sustainable social and economic development	    
Q2/2: Telecommunications/ICTs for e-health	   
Q3/2: Securing information and communication networks: Best practices for developing a culture of cybersecurity	   
Q4/2: Assistance to developing countries for implementing conformance and interoperability (C&I) programmes and combating counterfeit ICT equipment and theft of mobile devices	   
Q5/2: Utilizing telecommunications/ICTs for disaster risk reduction and management	   
Q6/2: ICT and the environment	 
Q7/2: Strategies and policies concerning human exposure to electromagnetic fields	  

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# ITU-D SG1 and SG2 management teams

## Study Group 1 Chairman:

- Ms Regina Fleur Assoumou-Bessou (Côte d'Ivoire)

## Vice-Chairmen:

- Mr Amah Vinyo Capo (Togo)
- Mr Roberto Mitsuke Hirayama (Brazil)
- Mr Víctor Antonio Martínez Sánchez (Paraguay)
- Mr Ahmed Abdel Aziz Gad (Egypt)
- Ms Sameera Belal Momen Mohammad (Kuwait)
- Mr Yasuhiko Kawasumi (Japan)
- Mr Sangwon Ko (Republic of Korea)
- Mr Almaz Tilenbaev (Kyrgyzstan)
- Mr Vadym Kaptur (Ukraine)
- Ms Amela Odobasic (**Bosnia and Herzegovina**)
- Mr Krisztián Stefanics (**Hungary**)

## Study Group 2 Chairman:

- Dr Ahmad Reza Sharafat (Islamic Republic of Iran)

## Vice-Chairmen:

- Mr Roland Yaw Kudozia (Ghana)
- Mr Henry Chukwudumeme Nkemadu (Nigeria)
- Ms Celina Delgado Castellón (Nicaragua)
- Ms Nora Abdalla Hassan Basher (Sudan)
- Mr Nasser Al Marzouqi (United Arab Emirates)
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- Mr Ananda Raj Khanal (Republic of Nepal)
- Mr Yakov Gass (Russian Federation)
- Mr Tolibjon Oltinovich Mirzakulov (Uzbekistan)
- Mr Filipe Miguel Antunes Batista (**Portugal**)
- Mr Dominique Würges (**France**)

**Appointed by WTDC-17**

# Appointed SG1 Rapporteurs and Vice-Rapporteurs from Europe

**Appointed during the first SG1 meeting (30 April – 4 May 2018)**

<b>Q1/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr Ümit Nevruz Özdemir (Türk Telekom, Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q2/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Ms Gülcihan Kurnaz (Türk Telekom, Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q3/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Ms Beyhan Aygün Akyüz (Türk Telekom, Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q4/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr Emanuele Giovannetti (Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom) [EUR]
	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr Rafael Gonzalez-Galarreta (Axon Partners Group Consulting, Spain) [EUR]
<b>Q5/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Ms Hande Bayrak (Türk Telekom, Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q6/1</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr Mehmet Alper Tekin (Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q7/1</b>	Rapporteur	Ms Amela Odobašić (Bosnia and Herzegovina) [EUR]
	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr George Anthony Giannoumis (Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Norway) [EUR]

The full list of appointed SG1 Rapporteurs and Vice-Rapporteurs can be found at: <https://www.itu.int/md/D18-SG01-C-0083/>



# Appointed SG2 Rapporteurs and Vice-Rapporteurs from Europe

**Appointed during the first SG2 meeting (7 – 11 May 2018)**

<b>Q1/2</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Ms Neslihan Cenk (Türk Telekom, Turkey) [EUR]
<b>Q2/2</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	Mr John Owuor (Sweden) [EUR]
<b>Q3/2</b>	Co-Rapporteur	Mr Dominique Wurgès (France) [EUR]
<b>Q4/2</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	-
<b>Q5/2</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	-
<b>Q6/2</b>	Vice-Rapporteur	-
<b>Q7/2</b>	Co-Rapporteur	Mr Haim Mazar (ATDI, France) [EUR]

The full list of appointed SG2 Rapporteurs and Vice-Rapporteurs can be found at: <https://www.itu.int/md/D18-SG02-C-0097>

# Major milestones for the 2018-21 study period

Upcoming  
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Main meetings		Main deliverables and progress reports
First SG1 and SG2 meetings	30 April – 11 May 2018	Appoint management team members, identify experts, distribute tasks, agree on work plans and methods of action, review initial contributions, reply to liaison statements received. Ensure that the team has a good understanding of tools and working methods to conduct the work.
<b>Rapporteur Group meetings</b>	<b>17 September-12 October 2018</b>	Review tables of content for Question deliverables, call for and review of detailed contributions, draft surveys. Case studies on the topics under study are appreciated. Prepare output reports to be put forward for approval at the annual meetings.
<b>Second</b> SG1 and SG2 meetings	March 2019	Present progress reports, approve tables of content, first outline of report, approve and launch of surveys (if applicable). Annual progress reports and <b>approval of annual deliverables and reports</b> .
Rapporteur Group meetings	September/October 2019	Review contributions and input received through surveys, etc., chapter specific drafting/brainstorming groups. Case studies on the topics under study are appreciated. Prepare output reports to be put forward for approval at the annual meetings.
<b>Third</b> SG1 and SG2 meetings	February 2020	Present progress reports, review draft reports, guidelines, Recommendations, identify/ discuss next steps to complete work on time and how to overcome challenges encountered. Initial discussion on future study Questions. Annual progress reports and <b>approval of annual deliverables and reports</b> .
Rapporteur Group meetings	September/October 2020	Finalize reports, finalize draft guidelines and Recommendations, propose/discuss possible study topics for the next period.
<b>Fourth</b> SG1 and SG2 meetings	March 2021	Fine-tune and approve reports, guidelines and Recommendations. Propose/discuss possible study topics for the next period. <b>Agreement on deliverables to WTDC-21.</b>
<b>WTDC</b>	Q4 2021	Study Group 1 and 2 Chairmen present results and deliverables to WTDC.

- The SG1/SG2 Chairmen report annual to TDAG on progress made.
- Thematic workshops, courses and seminars are to be held throughout the study period in Geneva and **the regions based on proposals received**.



# ITU-D Study Groups: Key achievements to date in 2018

- **Results achieved and progress made:** launch of work on study Questions, appointment of rapporteurs and vice-rapporteurs, agreement on initial work plans, and draft overviews/tables of content for deliverables, including annual outputs.
- **Participation in meetings and contributions received for first SG1 and SG2 meetings (30 April-11 May 2018):**
  - **SG1: 131 participants from 57 Member States.** SG1 received **84 contributions**
  - **SG2: 125 participants from 49 Member States.** SG2 received **93 contributions**
  - **30 fellowships** to LDCs and LICs granted (11 of these went to countries in ASP).
  - **52 incoming liaison statements** for SG1 and SG2.
- **A panel session on Early Warning Systems (EWS)** was held in conjunction with the SG2 Question 5/2 meeting on 8 May 2018.
- Induction sessions for new management team members and participants on 30 April and 7 May 2018.
- **Upcoming 2018 Rapporteur Group meetings:**
  - SG1 Rapporteur Group meetings: **17-28 September 2018** in Geneva, Switzerland.
  - SG2 Rapporteur Group meetings: **1-12 October 2018** in Geneva, Switzerland.
- **Workshops and expert meetings are being planned for 2018 and 2019.**

# ITU-D Study Groups: Contact details

More information on the ITU-D Study Groups  
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**We look forward to hearing from you!**