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Please note that submitted information will be presented during the RDF-EUR P2C Roundtables and it will also be reflected on the pledging platform of the Partner 2 Connect Digital Coalition.

CONTRIBUTION FORM

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TITLE: Establishing framework for effective use of the public state aid from international community for enhancing competitiveness and resilience in digital market

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION: [Provide a brief description up to 500 words]

International Telecommunication Union (hereafter: ITU) plays an essential role as a platform for international community that allows us to coordinate on global objectives and development of necessary tools for effective implementation of actions that support countries that seek such assistance. At the same time we recall ITU Constitution that states in its preamble on the growing importance of telecommunication for the preservation of peace and the economic and social development of all States. The very objective that shall come into consideration shall include not being limited to: common access to a high-speed Internet, effective and use-friendly public e-services and a continuously rising level of digital competences of the society

As for Republic of Poland over 450 days ago we have initiated many simultaneous projects to support Ukraine in establishing resilient digital environment with respect to the efforts of the United Nations to promote sustainable development, in particular aiming at achieving Sustainable Development Goal 16 on Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions.

Within scope of Partner2Connect Poland has donated Ukraine with hundreds of pallets with equipment that included radio stations, data centres, IT equipment and over 20 000 Starlink terminals with all service expenses covered. Outside of this scope we have signed Memorandum's on strenghtening common cooperation regarding cybersecurity, social benefits, access to labour market and we support coordination of deliveries to Ukraine from over 50 countries.

Republic of Poland wishes to take this opportunity to reconfirm our commitment to the process as we recognize that additional actions are required.



In the recent years Republic of Poland has been a beneficiary of significant support provided through EU programmes, enabling rapid roll-out of high-speed Internet access networks, due to which the digital divide has been bridged. Therefore Poland would be pleased to share experiences and know-how in that area within the scope of ITU initiatives, which might be useful for Ukraine in the process of establishing national mechanisms for effective use of financial support provided by international community for rehabilitation of ICT infrastructure.

COUNTRIES in FOCUS: [Name countries to be impacted by this action]

- Ukraine (Україна)

YEARS of IMPLEMENTATION: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- 2023
- 2024
- 2025

RELEVANT ITU REGIONAL INITIATIVE: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- EUR1: Digital infrastructure development
- EUR2: Digital transformation for resilience
- EUR3: Digital inclusion and skills development
- EUR4: Trust and confidence in the use of telecommunications/ICTs
- EUR5: Digital innovation ecosystems

Please find more information on the ITU Regional Initiatives 2023-2025, as defined by WTDC-22, [here](#).

RELATED ITU-D PRIORITIES AS DEFINED BY THE ITU WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2022

- Affordable connectivity
- Digital Transformation
- Enabling policy and regulatory environment
- Resource mobilization and international cooperation
- Inclusive and secure telecommunications/ICTs for sustainable development

Please find more information on the ITU-D Priorities, as defined by WTDC-22, [here](#).

RELATED ITU PRIORITIES AS DEFINED BY ITU PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE 2022



- Spectrum use for space and terrestrial services
- International telecommunication numbering resources
- Inclusive and secure telecommunication/ICT infrastructure and services
- Digital applications
- Enabling environment

Please find more information on the ITU Priorities, as defined by PP-22, [here](#)

RELATED WSIS ACTION LINE: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- C1: The role of governments and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICTs for development
- C2: Information and communication infrastructure
- C3: Access to information and knowledge
- C4: Capacity building
- C5: Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs
- C6: Enabling environment
- C7: ICT applications
- C8: Cultural diversity and identity, linguistic diversity and local content
- C9: Media
- C10: Ethical dimensions the Information Society
- C11: International and regional cooperation

RELATED SDG: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 2: Zero Hunger | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 3: Good Health and Well- being | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 4: Quality Education | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 5: Gender Equality | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 13: Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation | |





- SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- SDG 14: Life Below Water
- SDG 15: Life on Land
- SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- SDG 17: Partnerships for the SDGs

