

ITU Regional Development Forum for Europe (RDF-EUR)

Information and Communication Technologies for attaining Sustainable Development Goals

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(Meeting held back-to-back with Com-ITU of CEPT – 24-26 May 2023)

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.

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TITLE: Possibility for Greece to apply for the candidacy of an ITU Innovation Center with focus on Space

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

The upcoming ITU Regional Development Forum for Europe (RDF-EUR) 2023, scheduled to take place on May 22-23 in Timisoara, Romania, will be an important moment for Greece to present its contribution in relation to Regional Initiative 5 on Digital innovation ecosystems.

Greece is interested to explore the opportunity of hosting the ITU Innovation Center, to help Greece accelerate the country's digital transformation. Particularly hosting the ITU Innovation Center would help Greece to catalyze it's energy towards the important field of space technology.

The ITU Innovation Centers form part of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Alliance for Digital Development, which is an initiative aimed at fostering digital innovation and entrepreneurship for national, regional, and global impact. The centers work to integrate Information and Communication Technology (ICT) innovation into national development agendas and build local capabilities in these areas.

The ITU Innovation Center in Greece, if established, would leverage the country's strengths in telecommunications and digital technologies already existing in the country, and would allow to stimulate innovation, entrepreneurship, and job creation in the field of space technology. Through the Center, Greek organizations could gain strategic foresight, knowledge, and competencies to nurture digital innovation in space and showcase the potential of the country's technological ecosystem to regional and global markets.





☐ 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 type="checkbox"/> SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 3: Good Health and Well- being | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 4: Quality Education | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 13: Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 5: Gender Equality | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 14: Life Below Water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 15: Life on Land |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 17: Partnerships for the SDGs |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure | |

