



ITU: Regional Economic Dialogue for Africa

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Africa Faces Unique Challenges



Geography & terrain



Infrastructure & Investment



Socio-Economic



Regulatory

“Reaching the African Union’s goal of universal & affordable internet access will increase GDP Growth in Africa by 2% per year.”

“The probability of employment – regardless of education level increases by 6.9% – 13.2% when fast internet becomes available.”

Which, when used appropriately is also a effective way to ensure the digital divide can be reduced

Bridging the digital divide will not happen overnight and the demand for connectivity is only increasing: we need to ensure continued and secure access to satellite connectivity for existing users and for future growth

Satellite has already proven its ability to extend access

Cellular Backhaul



- ⇒ Partnering with MTN to deliver rural and ultra rural connectivity across Africa, closing the digital gap and unlocking economic value.

Disaster Relief & Support



- ⇒ Deploying capacity in less than 24 hours to assist humanitarian aid relief in Mozambique following Cyclone IDAI in April 2019.
- ⇒ Provided critical connectivity when all ground infrastructure was broken.

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- ❖ **Avanti provides internet to over 500 schools across Africa.**
- ❖ **Giving access to over 300,000 school children online.**
- ❖ **Improving their Math learning age by, on average, 18 months.**
- ❖ **Delivering Science for Girls programme.**
- ❖ **Working together with local partners, sustaining the local economy.**





Thank You