



# Developing a thematic list of ICT indicators for the SDGs

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# Background - SDG indicators



169 targets  
(6 ICT-related targets)

231 indicators  
(7 ICT indicators)

## Global SDG ICT indicators

Target	Indicator(s)	Collected by
Target 4.4	Proportion of youth/adults with ICT skills, by type of skills	ITU
Target 4.a	Proportion of schools with access to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● the Internet</li> <li>● computers</li> </ul>	UIS
Target 5.b	Proportion of individuals who own a mobile telephone, by sex	ITU
Target 9.c	Percentage of the population covered by a mobile network, broken down by technology	ITU
Target 17.6	Fixed-Internet broadband subscriptions, broken down by speed	ITU
Target 17.8	Proportion of individuals using the Internet	ITU

## ICT for the SDGs

- ICTs recognized as key development enabler
- Important role that ICTs will play in achieving the SDGs stressed by the ICT community (e.g. WSIS, CSTD and UNGIS)
- All areas where ICTs will play a role need to be measured and monitored

# Partnership Task Group on ICT for the SDGs

## Objectives

- Propose a list of thematic ICT indicators - should help monitor the availability and use of ICT in different sectors relevant to the SDGs
- Review indicators in the core list while focusing on indicators related to the targets
- Improve availability of data (including disaggregated data) for the indicators that will be included in the thematic list

## Members

- ITU and UN-DESA (co-leads)
- Bangladesh
- Brazil
- David Souter (expert)
- UIS
- UNCTAD
- UNEP-SBC
- UNU-EGOV
- UNU-ViE
- Uruguay

## Tasks, activities and outputs

1. Develop a framework for monitoring the SDG targets with ICT indicators complementary to the existing global indicators framework
2. Prepare a methodology document
3. Awareness raising - disseminate the list of indicators to stakeholders, present and discuss the monitoring framework at relevant global and regional events
4. Compile and disseminate the data - by the relevant members of the TG/responsible agency on a continuous basis
5. Prepare regular quantitative assessments of the ICT indicators - final report to be prepared for 2020

# Roadmap

Item	Timeline
Develop criteria and framework for the new indicators	Nov 2017
Reach out to other organizations	Ongoing
Call for inputs (indicators) to the Framework	Jan - Feb 2018
Analyze inputs including data availability, reliability, frequency etc.	Mar - Apr 2018
Prepare a document including the set of indicators proposed for selected SDG targets along with their definitions, benchmarks and the methodologies	Apr - May 2018
Disseminate the document to TG Members and other stakeholders for feedback and clearance	Jun 2018
Submit the final document to the 2nd meeting of the "Inter-Agency and Expert Group on SDG Indicators" in 2018	Aug - Sep 2018

# Thank you!

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