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ITU-D Study Group 1 and 2 Rapporteur Group meetings and public workshops conclude with a look to the future

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The second set of Study Group 1 and 2 Rapporteur Group meetings for the 2022-2025 Study period took place in Geneva, Switzerland, both in-person and virtually, together with public workshops and exhibitions.

From 15 to 26 April, the [Rapporteur Group meetings of ITU-D Study Group 1](#) on “Enabling environment for meaningful connectivity” were held alongside six public hybrid workshops, including a Girls in ICT celebration workshop held on Girls in ICT Day.

From 29 April to 10 May, ITU-D [Rapporteur Group meetings of ITU-D Study Group 2](#) on “Digital Transformation” were held together with seven public hybrid workshops organised by study Questions.

“ITU-D Study Groups are a platform where the harmonised - yet diverse - views and experiences of all ITU-D members are shared and analysed by ITU experts. I am grateful for the innovative and pertinent inputs from Rapporteurs that will help to shape new Questions that address the future ICT development needs of all,” said Dr Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava, Director of ITU’s Telecommunication Development Bureau.

About the ITU-D Study Group 1 and 2 Rapporteur Group meetings

Approved at the 2022 World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-22), the [ITU-D Study Group Questions for the 2022-2025 study period](#) focus on topics which will advance the digital agenda, especially for developing countries.

The Rapporteur Groups enable Study Group members to share experiences, exchange views, develop and update workplans, and respond to liaison statements with clear actions.

During the Rapporteur Group meetings, participants discussed contributions from ITU-D members and agreed on how they will be used in the final output reports of each study Question which will be published at the end of the study period.

The meetings were also an opportunity to reflect on accomplishments, identify what remains to be addressed, and determine how new study Questions can best meet the world’s urgent development needs and challenges.

Public and cross-cutting workshops

13 public workshops aligned to the study Questions were held during the meetings. They opened the Study Groups' work to new audiences while enabling the Study Groups to acquire knowledge from both members and non-members to enrich the content of their work. The full list of public workshops is available [here for Study Group 1](#) and [here for Study Group 2](#).

The next ITU-D Study Group 1 and 2 meetings will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, from 4 to 15 November 2024 (Study Group 1 from 4 - 8 November, Study Group 2 from 11 - 15 November).

Resources and background information:

- [ITU-D Study Groups website](#)
- Rapporteur Group meetings photos: [ITU-D Study Group 1](#) / [ITU-D Study Group 2](#)

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