

A nighttime photograph of a city skyline, likely Dubai, with numerous skyscrapers illuminated. The scene is reflected in the water in the foreground. A large, semi-transparent, stylized letter 'W' is overlaid on the right side of the image. The text is centered and reads: 

Welcome to the Part II

**Briefing for Permanent Missions:  
Preparations for the  
Plenipotentiary Conference 2026**

# Agenda

1. Introduction
2. About the Conference
3. Conference Programme
4. Member States Preparation
5. Ministerial programme, Protocol arrangements and social events
6. Registration and participation



# Introduction

- PP-26
- Agenda
- Status and objectives
- Elections



# Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (PP-26)

- ITU's 22nd Plenipotentiary Conference will be held in Doha, Qatar, from Monday, 9 to Friday, 27 November 2026 in the Doha Exhibition and Convention Center.
- Full details on the event can be found on ITU's website at <https://pp.itu.int/2026/en/> and the Host Country's website at <http://pp26-doha.gov.qa/>.



# Agenda of the Conference

## Stated in Article 8 of the ITU Constitution

- a) determine the general policies for fulfilling the purposes of the Union prescribed in Article 1 of the Constitution;
- b) consider the reports by the Council on the activities of the Union since the previous plenipotentiary conference and on the policy and strategic planning of the Union;
- c) establish the basis for the budget of the Union and determine, in the light of its decisions taken on the reports referred to in No. 50 of the Constitution, related financial limits until the next plenipotentiary conference, after considering all relevant aspects of the work of the Union in that period;
- d) establish, using the procedures described in Nos. 161D to 161G of the Constitution, the total number of contributory units for the period up to the next plenipotentiary conference on the basis of the classes of contribution announced by Member States;
- e) provide any general directives dealing with the staffing of the Union and, if necessary, fix the basic salaries, the salary scales and the system of allowances and pensions for all the officials of the Union;
- f) examine the accounts of the Union and finally approve them, if appropriate;
- g) elect the Member States which are to serve on the Council;
- h) elect the Secretary-General, the Deputy Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux of the Sectors as elected officials of the Union;
- i) elect the members of the Radio Regulations Board;
- j) consider and adopt, if appropriate, proposals for amendments to the Constitution and the Convention, put forward by Member States, in accordance with the provisions of Article 55 of the Constitution and the relevant provisions of the Convention, respectively;
- k) conclude or revise, if necessary, agreements between the Union and other international organizations, examine any provisional agreements with such organizations concluded by the Council on behalf of the Union, and take such measures in connection therewith as it deems appropriate;
- l) adopt and amend the Rules of Procedure of conferences and other meetings of the Union;
- m) deal with such other telecommunication questions as may be necessary.

# Status and objectives

# ITUPP

supreme organ of the Union  
(CS, Art.7)

**Determines the  
general policies for  
fulfilling the  
purposes of the  
Union**

Held every

**4**

years

**Elects the management team  
of the Union (Secretary-General, Deputy  
Secretary-General, and 3 Directors), the 48  
Council Member States and 12 RRB  
Members**

During

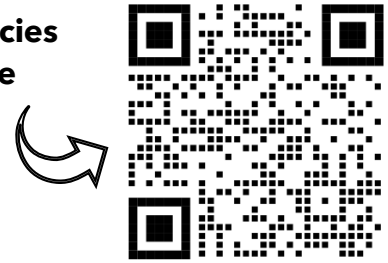
**3**

weeks

- **Amends CS & CV**
- **Adopts the Financial Plan & Strategic Plan**
- **Adopts the Final Acts**

Attending  
**≈ 2900**  
participants

See all candidacies  
received to date



## ITUPP PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE

*supreme organ of the Union  
(CS, Art.7)*

**Elected Officials  
(Management Team  
of the Union)**

**5**  
posts

**Council  
Membership**

**48**  
seats

**Radio  
Regulations  
Board (RRB)  
Membership**

**12**  
members

# About the Conference

- Chair-designate
- Conference structure
- Important deadlines



## Meet the PP-26 Chair-designate

- Engineer Ahmad Abdulla AlMuslemani has been appointed as the PP-26 Chair-Designate. He is leading Qatar's preparations for the conference in coordination with ITU and its Member States.
- Since 2023, Eng. AlMuslemani has served as President of Qatar's Communications Regulatory Authority (CRA). In this role, he is responsible for implementing the Authority's national strategy, with a focus on modernizing regulatory frameworks, supporting innovation, and enhancing digital infrastructure.



# Conference structure

# ITU PP

BASED ON  
ITU PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE - 2022

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| COMMITTEE 1                                                                       | COMMITTEE 2                                                                       | COMMITTEE 3                                                                        | COMMITTEE 4                                                                         | COMMITTEE 5                                                                         | COMMITTEE 6                                                                         | WORKING GROUP<br>OF THE PLENARY<br>(WG-PL)                                          |
| Steering<br>Committee                                                             | Credentials                                                                       | Budget                                                                             | Editorial                                                                           | Policy and legal<br>issues                                                          | Administration and<br>management                                                    | Issues related to<br>public policies                                                |
| <i>Statutory (GR 12.1)</i>                                                        | <i>Statutory (GR12.2)</i>                                                         | <i>Statutory (GR 12.3)</i>                                                         | <i>Statutory (GR 12.4)</i>                                                          | <i>Substantive</i>                                                                  | <i>Substantive</i>                                                                  | <i>Substantive</i>                                                                  |

# Conference Programme

- Proposed timeline
- Elections
- Final week plenary meetings
- Signing Ceremony
- Outcomes of the Conference



# Proposed conference timeline

7–27 November

Last meeting  
Council 2026  
session

Informal Heads  
of Delegation  
meeting

Heads of  
Delegation  
meeting

Opening  
Ceremony

Election of  
Chairs and  
Vice-Chairs

General  
policy  
statements

Establishment of  
the work of the  
Committees

Deadline to announce  
the choice of class of  
contributions

Elections

WEEK 1

7

November

# Proposed conference timeline

7-27 November

Elections to  
continue

Work of the  
Committees

Report of the  
credentials  
Committee

Completion of  
the work of the  
Committees

Developing and  
approving the  
Final Acts

Declarations  
and  
Reservations

Extraordinary  
session of  
Council 2027

Signature of  
the Final  
Acts and  
closing  
ceremony

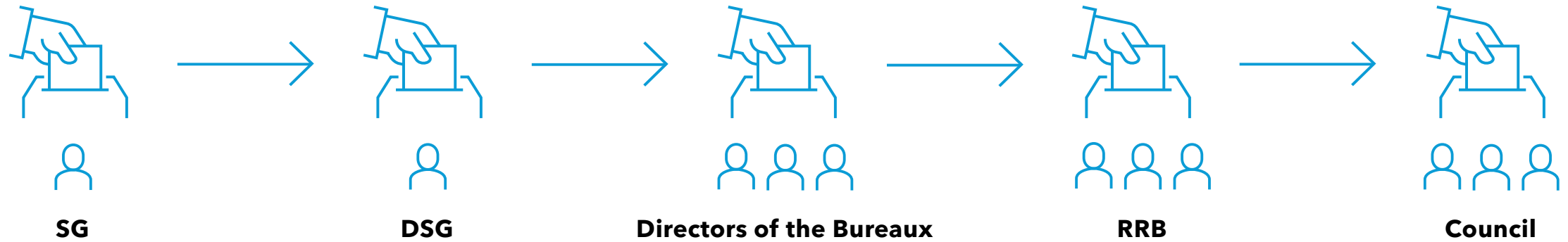
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WEEK 3

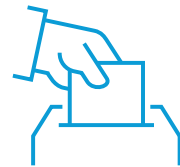
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November

# | Order of Elections



## Secret Ballot



## Starting date

**12**

November

## Final week Plenary meetings

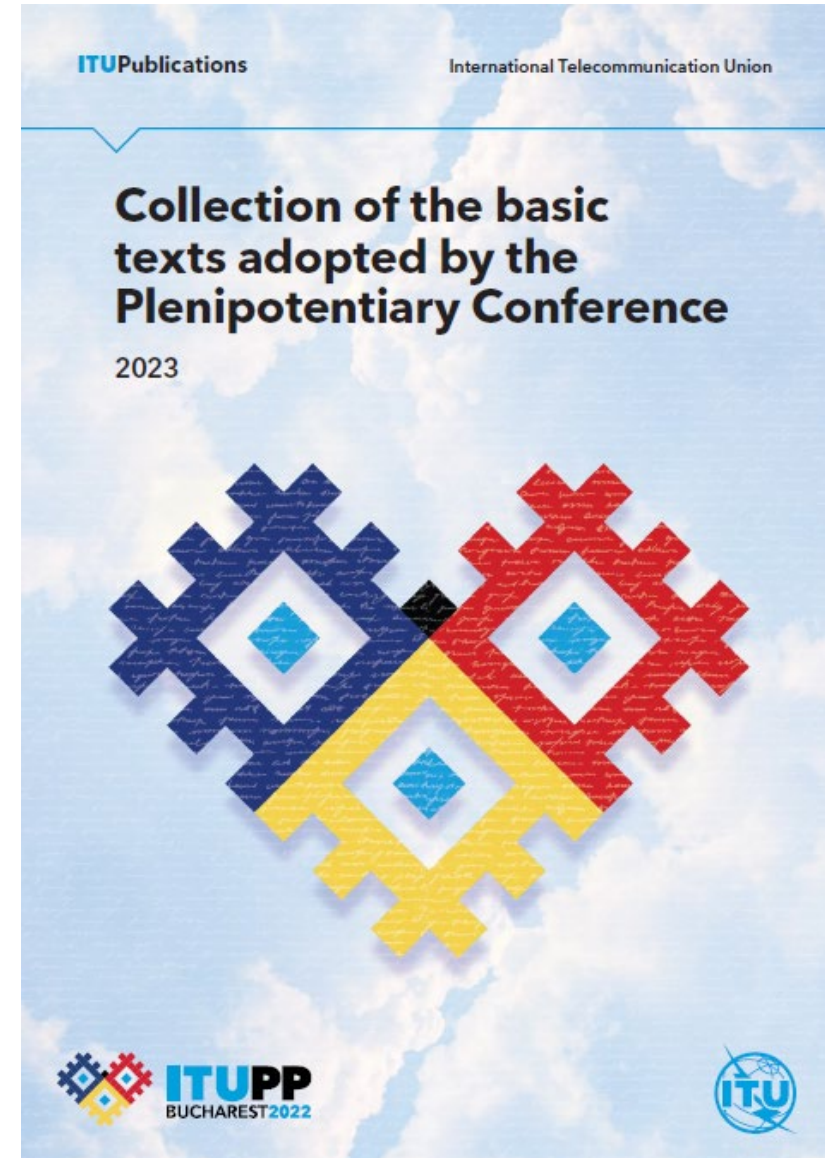
- In the final week, the committees will present their reports to Plenary, which will approve resolutions and decisions.
- The aim will be for all issues to be resolved/agreed at the committee level, with the Plenary meeting endorsing these agreements.
- The Plenary will do a first and second reading of the final texts (generally either one after the other).
- On the last day, there will be an Extraordinary session of the 2027 Council in the morning.
- The **Signing Ceremony** and closing of the Conference will take place in the afternoon.

# Signing Ceremony

- Signature of the Final Acts takes place on the last day of the Conference.
- The Final Acts are the official record of the decisions adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference, including the resolutions, decisions and other outcomes adopted during the conference.
- To sign the Final Acts, a delegation must have credentials that have been found to be in order.
- Depending on the drafting of the credentials instrument, the authority to sign may be granted to the entire delegation or only to certain members of the delegation.

# Outcomes of the Conference

- The Plenipotentiary Conference produces the **Final Acts**, which is a compilation of the decisions and resolutions passed at the meeting. It can also contain any modifications to the Constitution, Convention, and the General Rules of Conferences, Assemblies and meetings of the Union.
- The Collection of the basic texts of the Union is then updated following the PP.



# Member States preparations

- Regional and informal inter-regional meetings
- Important upcoming deadlines
- Overview of the proposals
- Find submitted documents
- PP Assistance
- Propose candidatures for Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Conference and Committee
- Right to vote
- Submit your credentials, ToP & ToV

# Regional meetings & Informal Inter-regional preparations for PP-26

Regional Telecommunications Organizations have facilitated preparations.  
Four Informal Inter-Regional Preparatory Meetings (IRM) have also been organized.

## Meeting priorities

Review PP preparations, including logistics

Agree on conference time management and working methods

Share regional priorities and proposals

Propose committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs, and election Tellers

The PP-26 Chair-designate (Qatar) leads the meetings.

The ITU secretariat maintains records of regional discussions.

## Four meetings in 2026

### **IRM-1: 13 January, Geneva**

ITU Council Working Groups Cluster

### **IRM-2: 30 April, Geneva**

ITU Council 26 meeting

### **IRM-3: 3 September, Nassau**

WTPF

### **IRM-4: 13-14 October**

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

## Important upcoming deadlines



# Overview of proposals under preparation for PP-26

Overview of resolutions to be reviewed, including new proposals

~ **215 proposals informed**  
by 8 Oct 2026\*

## COM5

Policy and legal matters

~**31** resolutions

### Most proposals

Res. 218: Space 2030

Res. 219: Space sustainability

Res. 146: ITRs

### New proposals

ITU-R modernization

Assistance to ICRC

## COM6

Administration and management

~**26** resolutions

### Most proposals

Res. 71: Strategic and financial plans

Decision 5: Revenue and expenses

### New proposals

Strategic prioritization and reform

Financial transparency

## WG-PL

Public policy issues

~**25** resolutions

### Most proposals

Res. 179: Child online protection

Res. 175: Persons with disabilities

Res. 140: WSIS

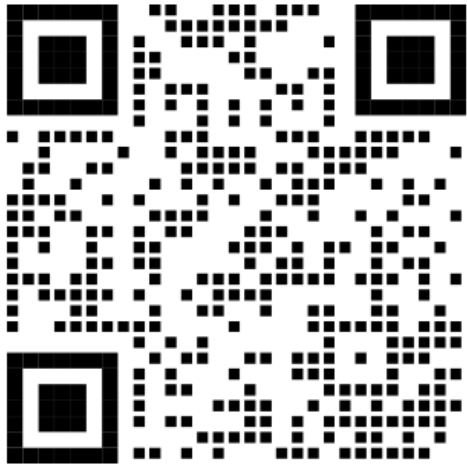
### New proposals

Resilience

Submarine cables

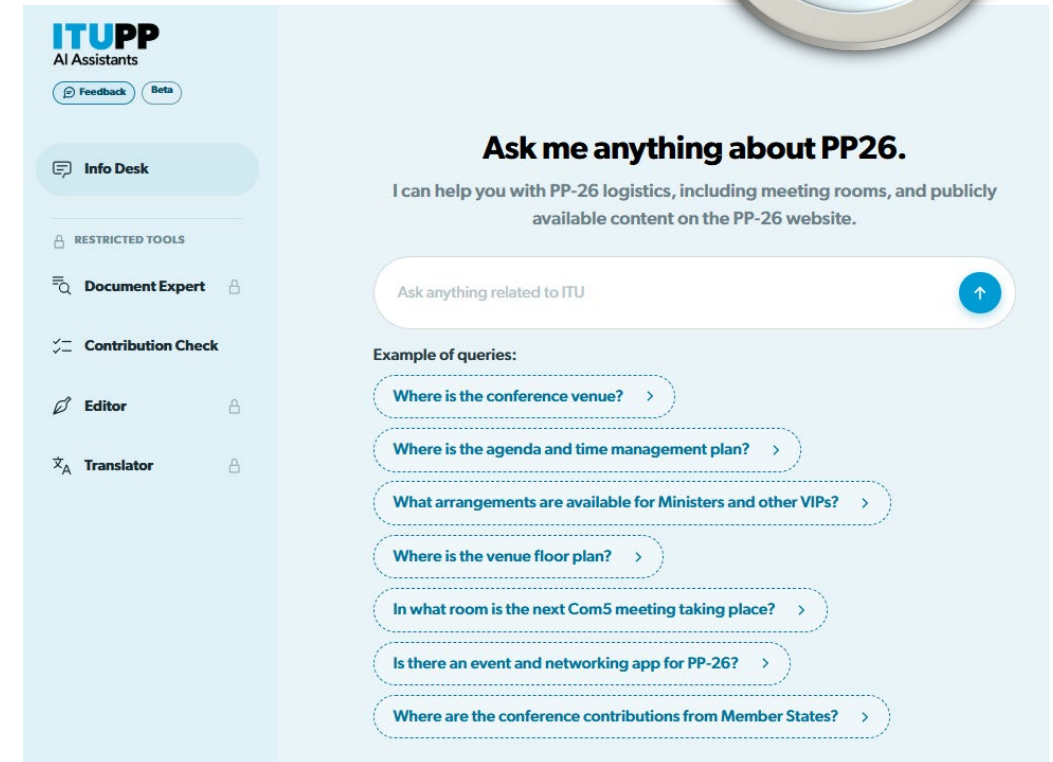
\*Content allocation based on information shared by the regions. Most of the proposals have not yet been officially submitted.

**To find the submitted  
reports, contributions and  
proposals**

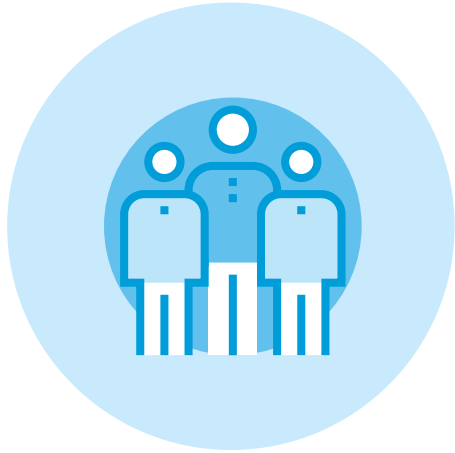


# PP AI Assistants

- *Info Desk* to answer questions about PP, including, logistics.
- *Document Expert* to scan and analyse existing resolutions and decisions from previous PPs.
- *Contribution Check* where delegates can verify if topic of interest is already covered by existing decisions to avoid duplication.
- *Editor* to help delegates formulate texts in line with ITU's style guide.
- *Translator* where delegates can drop text or a document to be translated into any of the ITU official languages.

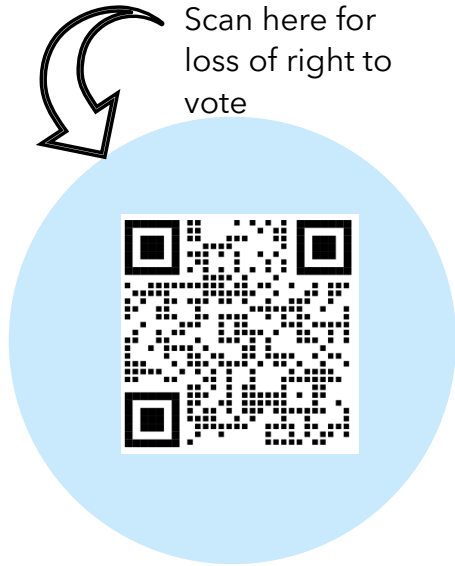


# Proposing Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the Conference and the Committees



- General Rules, No. 49. Proposals for chairs and vice-chairs of the conference and its committees should take into account the principle of rotation, gender balance, geographical distribution, and the necessary competencies.
- Proposals are made by the ITU Secretary-General in consultation with the regions.
- The number of vice-chairs proposed will be in accordance with conference needs; 6 vice-chairs for PP-26.

# Right to vote



In order for a Member State to have the **right to vote** on a procedural or substantive issue the following conditions must be met:

1. Must be party to the Constitution and Convention of the ITU (Geneva, 1992);
2. Not be in arrears of payments to the Union for an amount equivalent to two years or more of the contribution due for the two preceding years (CS 169);
3. Credentials must be in order (see next slide).

List of Member States having the right to vote: [Status of Member States](#)

# Credentials

The circular letter on Credentials ([CL-26/21](#)) was dispatched on 24 March 2026, and a reminder ([CL-26/38](#)) was dispatched on 17 September 2026.



## **As a reminder:**

- Credentials are required for a delegation to exercise its right to vote and sign the Final Acts of the Conference.
- Registration of delegates does not exempt Member States from the need to submit an original credentials document.
- Credentials must fulfil one of the following criteria:
  - Confer full power on the delegation;
  - Authorize the delegation to represent its government without restrictions;
  - Give the delegation, or certain members, the right to sign the final Acts.
- Credentials must be signed by either: the Head of State; the Head of Government; the Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- Full information, including templates and a Q&A, is available [here](#).

## Transfers of Powers

- Where a Member State is unable to send a delegation, it may authorize another Member State's delegation to act on its behalf through a Transfer of Powers ("ToP").
- A ToP allows the receiving delegation to vote and sign the Final Acts on behalf of the absent Member State.
- Similarly to credentials, an original instrument of the ToP must be deposited with Committee 2.

## Transfer of Vote

- If a delegation with voting rights is unable to attend a particular meeting or vote, it may authorize another delegation that also has voting rights to vote on its behalf, through a Transfer of Vote ("ToV", also referred to as "proxy").
- This ToV must be communicated in writing to the Chair of the Conference, via the Secretariat of the Credentials Committee.
- A delegation may not exercise more than one proxy vote at a given voting session. A ToV concerns voting only. It does not convey the right to sign the Final Acts, contrary to the ToP.

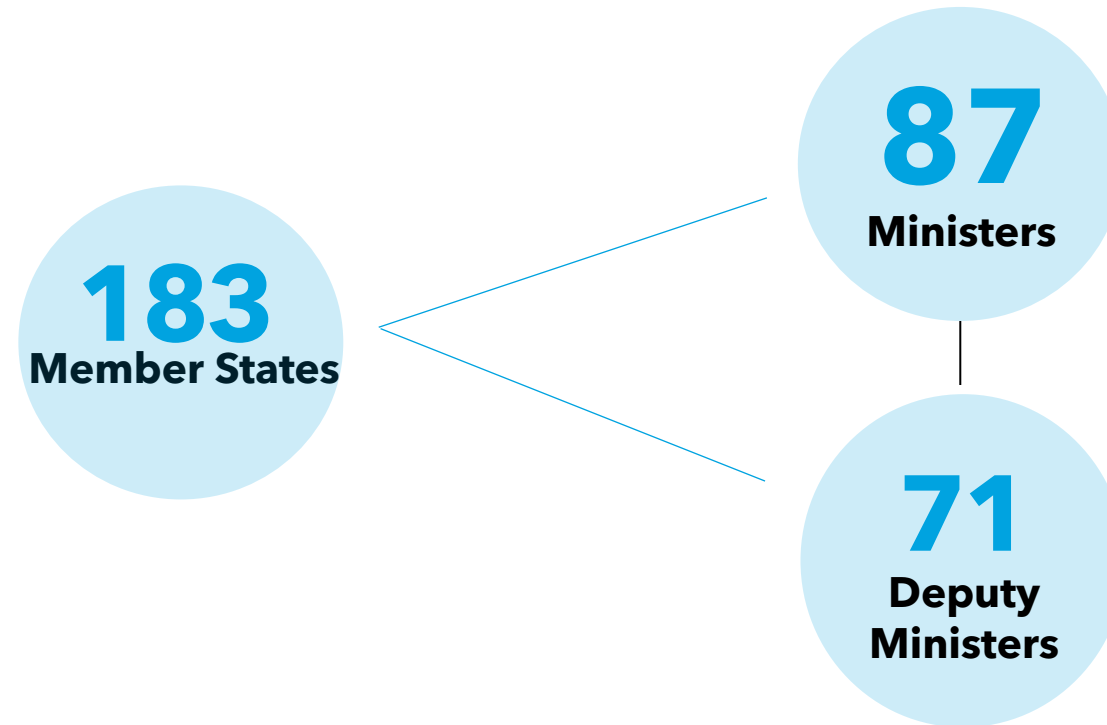
# Ministerial Programme

- VIP Participation of PP-22
- VIP Categories
- MWC 2026 Doha
- Overview of Ministerial programme
- State of Qatar Ministerial Roundtable
- Policy statements
- High-level thematic discussions
- Bilateral room booking
- Social events



## ITU PP

### ITU PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE - 2022 PARTICIPATION



# VIP Categories

**VVIP:** Heads of State, Heads of Government, Vice-Presidents, Crown Princes/Princesses, and immediate members of the Qatar Royal Family.

**UN:** Executive Heads of United Nations (UN) Agencies, elected officials of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), and the United Nations Resident Coordinator for Qatar.

**MIN:** Cabinet Ministers/Secretaries; Heads of International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Administrations who do not have a Ministry of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) and are represented by another entity; Heads of Regulatory Authorities with Minister rank; Chair of PP-26; and Qatar local officials assigned at Ministerial level.

**DMIN:** Deputy Ministers.

**AMB:** Ambassadors, Special Envoys, and Special Guests.

## Co-location of MWC26 Doha with PP-26

- The MWC26 Doha exhibition floor will be adjacent to PP-26
- ITU delegates may experience how advanced connectivity, AI and digital infrastructure are accelerating economic growth and societal progress around the globe.
- Full details can be found in the press release [here](#).



# Overview of the Ministerial Programme

8-11 November 2026, Doha, Qatar

## MWC26 Doha | GSMA Digital Leadership Forum

Sunday, 8 November 2026 | 09:30-12:30

## State of Qatar Ministerial Roundtable

Sunday, 8 November 2026 | 14:00-17:00 | DECC, Hall and Room TBC

## PP-26 Policy statements

Monday, 9 November (afternoon) to Friday, 13 November (afternoon)

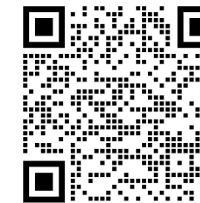
## PP-26 High-level Thematic Discussion on Resilience

Tuesday, 10 November 2026 | 14:30-17:30

## PP-26 High-level Thematic Discussion on Emerging technologies

Wednesday, 11 November 2026 | 09:30-12:30

Find more here



Ministers who would like to speak at a HLTD are invited to submit an expression of interest [here](#) **by 25 October 2026.**

Speaking slots will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

# MWC26 Doha | GSMA Digital Leadership Forum



## Sunday, 8 November 2026 | 09:30-12:30

- Ministers, heads of delegation, representatives of international organizations and senior industry leaders are invited to a two-session panel moderated by the GSMA DG and ITU SG.
- More information is available on the GSMA website [here](#).

# State of Qatar Ministerial Roundtable

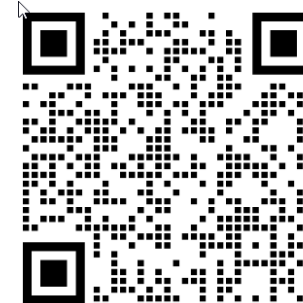


**Sunday, 8 November 2026 | 14:00-17:00 | DECC,  
Hall and Room TBC**

- Hosted by the Minister of Communications and Information Technology and Qatar's Communications Regulatory Authority (CRA), the Roundtable will offer a dedicated space for ministerial exchange on key themes to be considered at PP-26 and contributions to the Doha Declaration.
- The State of Qatar will share further details directly with invited participants.

# Policy statements

Scan here for a slot request



- High-ranking officials will be invited to deliver policy statements addressing the overall theme of the Conference: *Together for a connected, digital future*.
- Policy statements will be delivered from the podium.
- Interventions will be limited to 3 minutes for Ministers and 2 minutes for other heads of delegations.
- Full information is available [here](#) and guidelines for delegations have been published [here](#).

# Thematic Discussions



## High-level Thematic Discussion on Resilience

**Tuesday, 10 November 2026 | 14:30-17:30**

A closed-door ministerial dialogue to share national perspectives, priorities and solutions for strengthening the resilience of telecommunication/ICT networks and services.

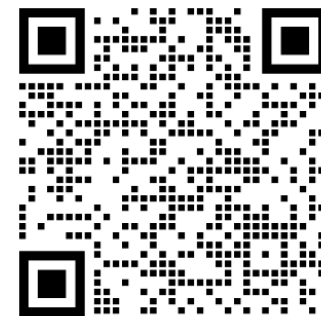
Details available [here](#).

## High-level Thematic Discussion on Emerging Technologies

**Wednesday, 11 November 2026 | 09:30-12:30**

A closed-door ministerial dialogue to exchange perspectives on how emerging technologies can support universal and meaningful connectivity through enhanced partnerships, knowledge-sharing and innovation ecosystems.

Details available [here](#).



Scan here for a slot request



# Bilateral Room booking



- Meeting rooms will be available at the PP-26 venue throughout the conference for bilateral meetings and delegation meetings.
- An online booking system will be available for delegations wishing to reserve a meeting room.
- Further information and booking details will be published in the coming days at:  
<https://pp.itu.int/2026/en/participation/practical-info/meeting-room-bookings/>
- The ITU secretariat will manage the meeting rooms for the Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 at the Doha Exhibition & Convention Center (DECC), Doha.

## Social events

### Monday, 9 November 2026 | 19:30-22:00

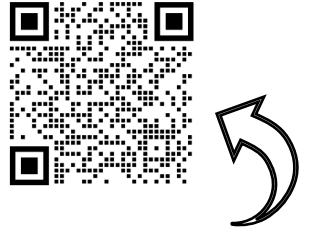
- Host Country Evening Reception by Qatar
- Open to all delegates

### Tuesday, 10 November 2026 | 08:30-09:30

- Breakfast by the Network of Women
- Open to all women VIP

**Overview** of the daily programme of receptions from **Tuesday, 10** November to **Friday, 13** November

- **1 breakfast**, Tent
- **1 morning coffee break**, indoor space
- **1 afternoon coffee break**, indoor space
- **3 lunch receptions per day**
  - Lunch 1: Tent
  - Lunch 2: Tent
  - Lunch 3: indoor space
- **3 evening receptions per day**
  - Reception 1: Tent
  - Reception 2: Tent or hotel
  - Reception 3: Hotel



Scan here for more information on social events

**Overview** of the programme for **Saturday, 14** and **Sunday, 15 November**

### **3 evening receptions per day:**

- Reception 1, hotel
- Reception 2, hotel
- Reception 3, hotel

# Registration and Participation

- High-level delegation registration
- Registration
- Hayya (Visa platform)
- Other information
- Organize your trip to Doha



# High-level delegates: involve your Registration Focal Point (DRFP)

ITU registration comes first; Host Country coordination follows.

**High-level delegates (Heads of State, Heads of Government, UN Executive Heads, Ministers, Vice-Ministers, Ambassadors, and close protection)**

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## 1 REGISTER

Complete registration through the ITU system –directly (refer to Steps 1 & 2 for Official Delegates) or via the Registration Focal Point (DRFP).



## 2 COORDINATE

After confirmation, the DRFP contacts Guest Management to finalize Host Country procedures and coordinate VIP accommodation and transportation.

**Badge collection-** In person or on behalf by an authorized third party (an official representative of delegation) at the PP-26 Registration Desk at DECC from Friday 6 November 2026. For on behalf collection, please send the photo in advance to SG-Registration@itu.int

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HOST COUNTRY GUEST MANAGEMENT

[ITU-delegations@gm.gov.qa](mailto:ITU-delegations@gm.gov.qa)

[List of DFPs](#)

[PP-26 registration](#)



# Official delegates: register in 3 steps

1

## REGISTER FOR PP-26

Use the online system.  
An ITU user account  
creation/update is required

2

## WAIT FOR CONFIRMATION

Upon approval by DRFP, you will  
receive a confirmation email  
with a unique registration ID  
(voucher)

3

## COMPLETE HOST COUNTRY + HAYYA

Apply for the entry permit/  
e-Visa, have Registration ID  
code ready

**— Do not begin Step 3 before receiving your PP-26 confirmation and registration ID (voucher)**

Visas and entry permits are managed by the Host Country, not the ITU secretariat.

**Badge collection-** In person only. Registration Desk at DECC is open from Friday 6 November 2026.

**IMPORTANT:** Please bring along a copy (paper or digital) of your registration confirmation for badge collection

[PP-26 registration](#)

[ITU account](#)

[Hayya portal](#)



# Hayya Portal

- Apply for an E-Visa (Hayya)
- All international delegates must have a valid Hayya Entry Permit, where applicable.
- Delegates must complete the Host Country registration and Hayya Entry Permit process via the designated online portal at <https://hayya.qa>.
- Please note that visas and entry permits are handled entirely by the Host Country, not the ITU secretariat.
- Delegates should not begin any separate **Host Country or Hayya application process BEFORE receiving their PP-26 confirmation** of registration and unique Registration ID code (voucher).



# Other information

## REPRESENTATION TARGETS

**40%** **women in delegations**

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**20%** **youth delegates under 35 years**

## DELEGATION MEDIA

Delegation photographers and videographers should request delegation accreditation—not media accreditation.

[View guidelines](#)

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## INTERNATIONAL DELEGATES RESIDING IN QATAR

Including embassy personnel: do not use the Host Country/Hayya portal. Contact Guest Management for guidance.

[ITU-delegations@gm.gov.qa](mailto:ITU-delegations@gm.gov.qa)

# Latest circular letters



- [CL-26/39](#): Enhancing the participation of delegates in the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 – Training Program
- [CL-26/41](#): Organizational arrangements for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-26)
- [CL-26/42](#): Organizational arrangements for high-level delegates (VIPs) for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (Doha, 2026)

# Delegate Training

As announced in [CL-26/39](#), a complete training programme has been developed to enhance the preparation and participation of all delegates at PP-26, with particular attention to women and young delegates.



The programme includes:

- One self-paced online training course on the ITU Academy, in the six UN languages, for all first-time delegates, especially women and young people, who wish to improve their understanding, knowledge and skills for a meaningful and active participation in ITU conferences.
- Six online webinars on developing negotiating skills and chairing meetings in the UN system (one per ITU region), in two languages per region, with a special focus on women and young delegates.
- Six online mentoring and networking activities between delegates from all ITU regions, with experience in ITU conferences and the participants of this programme, with a special focus on women and young delegates.

Full details can be found on the PP-26 website [here](#).

# Organize your trip to Doha



- Information on travel, visas, accommodation, the city of Doha, and the country of Qatar can be found on the Host Country's website [here](#).
- **Qatar Airways promotional fare:**
  - A special promotional code for PP-26 delegates is now available for flights to Doha.
  - Use code **ITUP26** when booking via the [Host Country Flights page](#) (book by 27 November; travel 30 October – 7 December 2026).
- **Al Maha Services promotion:**
  - Premium Meet & Assist services at Hamad International Airport are available with a 20% discount
  - Use code **ITUP26** when booking via the [Host Country Flights page](#).



**Thank you!**