



ITU REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM FOR THE AMERICAS (RDF-AMS-26)

**Universal, meaningful, and affordable connectivity for
an inclusive and sustainable digital future**

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CONTRIBUTION FORM

This form is intended to collect inputs from stakeholders contributing to the implementation of the Baku Action Plan and the ITU Regional Initiatives for the Americas (2026-2029).

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TITLE: Strategy for the Elimination of Infrastructure Deployment Barriers and Code of Good Practices in Colombia

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION:

The strategy of the Commission for the Regulation of Communications of Colombia to promote the elimination of barriers to infrastructure deployment is based on a central premise: connectivity is also built at the local level. For this reason, the Commission supports territorial authorities in identifying and removing regulatory barriers that hinder the deployment of telecommunications infrastructure, recognizing that local decisions are critical to facilitating the installation of networks, antennas, fiber optic infrastructure, and new technologies.

This initiative is implemented through technical opinions, territorial assistance, and tools such as the Code of Good Practices for Infrastructure Deployment, which provides guidance to municipalities and local authorities in updating urban planning and land-use regulations. Through this approach, the Commission promotes clearer, more efficient, and sustainable regulatory frameworks that help remove obstacles, attract investment, and improve the provision of digital services.

The Commission will work directly with municipalities to review local regulations, present the accreditation roadmap, and define follow-up commitments aimed at eliminating barriers to infrastructure deployment. In this way, the strategy transforms a technical mechanism into a territorial action with national impact: municipalities that modernize their regulations can facilitate connectivity, attract investment, reduce digital divides, and advance toward more inclusive, competitive, and smart territories. The initiative may become a regional benchmark for countries seeking to address similar connectivity and infrastructure deployment challenges.

COUNTRIES IN FOCUS: COLOMBIA

YEARS of IMPLEMENTATION: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- ☒ 2026
- ☒ 2027
- ☐ 2028
- ☐ 2029

RELEVANT ITU REGIONAL INITIATIVE: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- ☒ AMS1: Facilitating resilient infrastructure to enable deployment of universal and meaningful connectivity
- ☐ AMS2: Digital inclusion, digital skills/competencies
- ☐ AMS3: Support for innovative digital ecosystems and the adoption and use of emerging technologies
- ☐ AMS4: Promoting cyber resilience and capacity building in cybersecurity and cyber resilience
- ☒ AMS5: Governance and enabling regulatory frameworks for sustainable digital transformation

Please find more information on the ITU Regional Initiatives 2026-2029, as defined by WTDC-25, [here](#).

RELATED ITU-D PRIORITIES AS DEFINED BY THE ITU WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2025

- ☒ 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-25, [here](#).

RELATED PARTNERS2CONNECT FOCUS AREAS

- ☒ Focus Area 1 - ACCESS: Connecting people everywhere
- ☐ Focus Area 2 - ADOPTION: Empowering communities
- ☐ Focus Area 3 - VALUE CREATION: Building digital ecosystems
- ☒ Focus Area 4 - ACCELERATE: Incentivizing investments

Please find more information on the Partner2Connect Focus Areas Action Framework [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 GLOBAL DIGITAL COMPACT: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

- ☒ 1: Close all digital divides and accelerate progress across the Sustainable Development Goals
- ☒ 2: Expand inclusion in and benefits from the digital economy for all
- ☐ 3: Foster an inclusive, open, safe and secure digital space that respects, protects and promote human rights
- ☐ 4: Advance responsible, equitable and interoperable data governance approaches
- ☐ 5: Enhance international governance of artificial intelligence for the benefit of humanity

RELATED SDG: [Tick the relevant boxes or delete the irrelevant items]

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| ☐ SDG 1: No Poverty | ☒ SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities |
| ☐ SDG 2: Zero Hunger | ☐ SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities |
| ☐ SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being | ☐ SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities |
| ☒ SDG 4: Quality Education | ☐ SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production |
| ☐ SDG 5: Gender Equality | ☐ SDG 13: Climate Action |
| ☐ SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation | ☐ SDG 14: Life Below Water |
| ☐ SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy | ☐ SDG 15: Life on Land |
| ☒ SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth | ☐ SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions |
| ☒ SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure | ☐ SDG 17: Partnerships for the SDGs |