

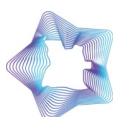


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Mr. Chair,
Secretary General of ITU,
Excellencies Head of Delegations,
Elected Officials of ITU,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

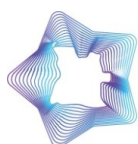
On behalf of the Republic of Angola, let me convey our gratitude to the government of the Republic of Azerbaijan for the kind hospitality and warm welcome accorded to our delegation since our arrival in the beautiful city of Baku, a truly contemporary city criss-crossed by history. We also thank our hosts for yesterday's reception,

Chairperson, let me also take the opportunity to offer my delegation's congratulations to you on your election as Chairperson of the Conference. We are indeed confident that we are in good hands.

[Enquadramento Político /Estratégico /Histórico]

Mr. Chairman, Secretary General, Distinguished Colleagues, Ladies and Gentlemen;

To work towards consensus on important issues that affect us all let us use the collegial discussions we will have in our committees and plenaries to remain focused on how we can bring the 2.6 billion people worldwide into the digital world they currently do not know.



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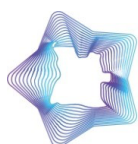
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To ensure digital inclusion for all our citizens we need to remain focused on our common motivation to move further.

Very recently, on November 11th, Angola celebrated 50 years as an independent country, over these 50 years, several stages have been overcome and gains achieved in the institutional field with regard to policies, regulation and capacity building, in the field of infrastructure, connectivity, digital inclusion, modernization of public administration and cybersecurity.

Our journey has enabled the expansion and modernization of the supporting infrastructure in its terrestrial, submarine, and space components. As a result, our national fiber optic network now we have more than 30.000 km of terrestrial fiber in use. Under our national broadband network project, 4 860 km are being repaired and 1.400 Km new fiber being implemented. The Angolan owned consortium SACS submarine cable, the first in south of the equator to connect Africa to the American continent (Fortaleza in Brazil) stands as another highlightable milestone.

I would also add that as a result of the implementation of Angola's National Space Program, the ANGOSAT-2 satellite was successfully launched and, combined, with mini-solar power plants, and spectrum sharing solutions, it is now ensuring connectivity to rural areas. But the greatest success of the program has been the accumulated know-how, training and capacity building, in quantity and quality, of young Angolans who today make us proud with their achievements recognized by the space industry.



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Despite the progress made, the number of citizens offline still remind us of a fundamental truth: we cannot close the digital divide if we cannot measure it. And we cannot connect the unconnected if we do not know who they are, where they are, and why they remain offline.

Through, our Integrated Observatory for ICT, and the guidance from the the GIGA project, we have built a robust national dataset that captures multidimensional and georeferenced information with high precision, down to the smallest administrative regional to further promote digital inclusion.

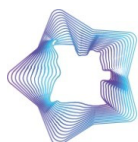
Mr. Chairman,

We intend to continue on this path in the present and in the future.

We come in solidarity with the membership of the ITU and are committed to addressing the needs of our citizens. In this regard, we will continue to support actions to improve access to broadband, address cybersecurity issues and the needs of developing countries to conformance and interoperability.

We trust the proposals to be presented will also consider the mobilisation of resources for the Development Sector and indeed, the ITU.

Last but not least, I would like to invite you all to the next edition of ANGOTIC – Angola ICT Forum, scheduled for June 2025, a platform for interaction among key players interested in exchanging experiences, seeking partnerships and solutions for the prosperity of their businesses, as well as enhancing the role of technology, innovation and entrepreneurship, with the goal of achieving the United Nations



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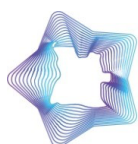
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Sustainable Development Goals, protecting the environment, and promoting the well-being and prosperity of peoples and nations.

Mr. Chairman, You can count on Angola support..

I thank you all and wish us a successful conference.



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