



Interactive Session: Action Line C6 – Enabling Environment, organized by ITU

“Affordable ICT Access for Sustainable Development”

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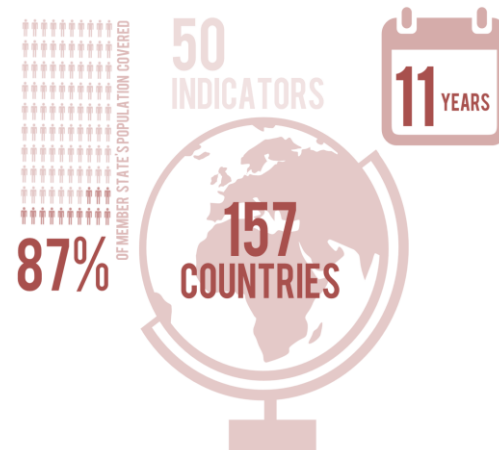
We create and support the enabling regulatory & market environment essential for the development of ICTs.



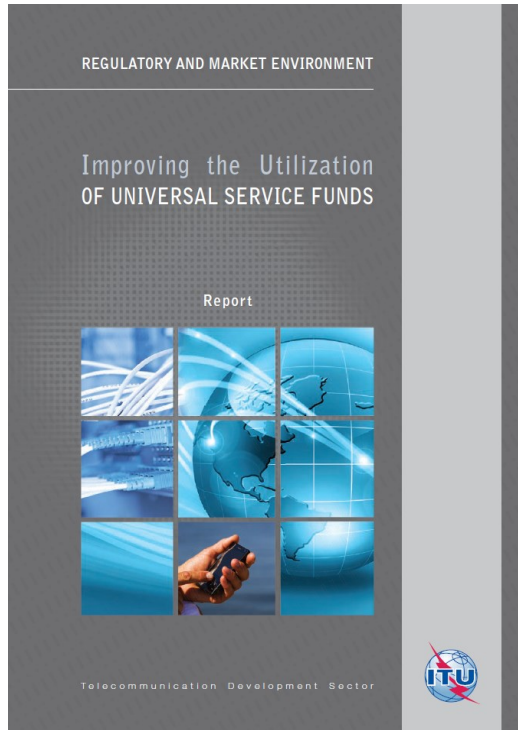


ICT Regulatory Tracker

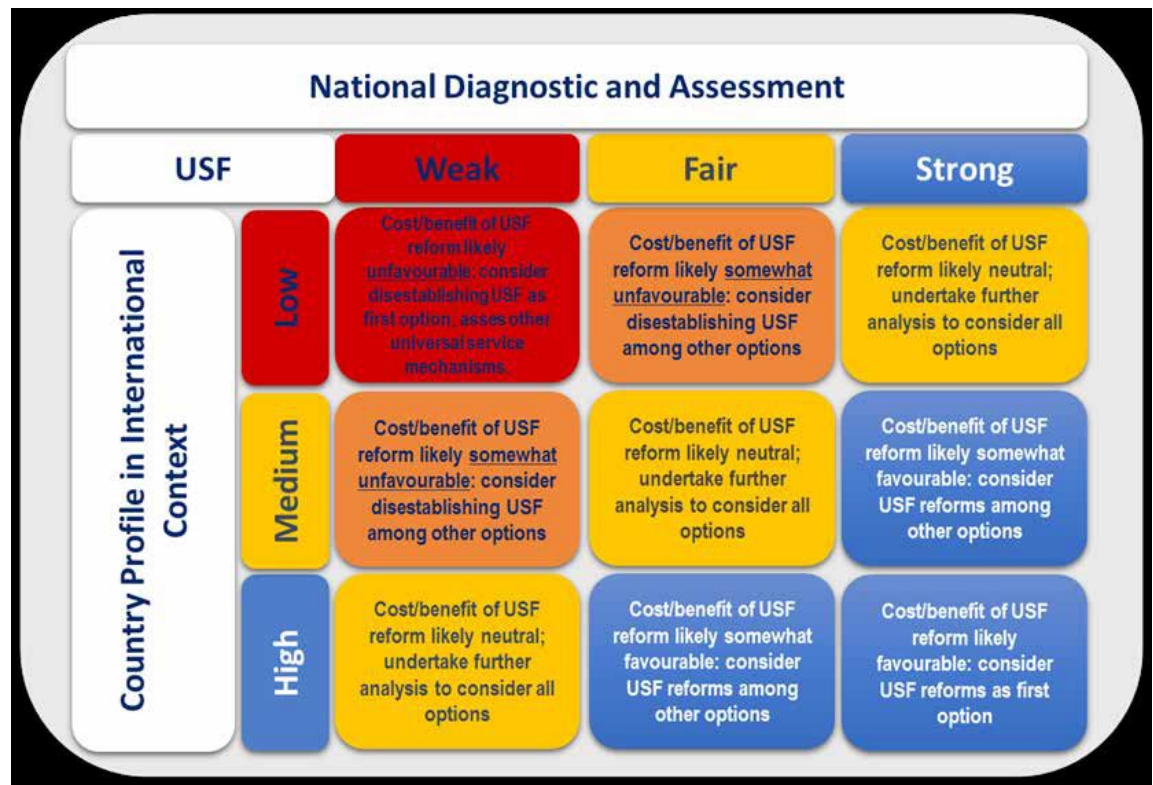
- ICT Regulatory Tracker is a **tool to monitor and measure the changes taking place in the telecommunication/ ICT regulatory environment**
 - Using quantitative methods, **it facilitates both the benchmarking and identification of evolutionary trends in legal and regulatory frameworks**
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- The Tracker covers over **150 countries for a period of 11 years**, showcasing regulatory progress within the same country, amongst regions and worldwide
 - **4 Clusters:** regulatory authority, regulatory mandate, regulatory regime & competition framework



ITU Project on Universal Service



USF strategic decision-making matrix



Infrastructure Sharing

The objective of this project is to allow for regional harmonisation and achieving an enabling policy and regulatory framework conducive *to infrastructure sharing*.

ICT and broadcasting infrastructure is recognized as an essential input to education, healthcare, business and the participation of citizens in an information economy. Infrastructure sharing has a number of advantages for the market, such as:

- Extends geographical access to ICTs beyond current urban, rural and underserved areas
- Reduces environmental impact
- Stimulates the innovation of new services, especially in rural areas
- Addresses abuse of dominance and anti-competitive behaviour of infrastructure owners
- Facilitates the co-ordination of trenching and ducting works between the telecommunications, broadcasting, utilities and other sectors.





Global Symposium for Regulators 2016

Under the theme “Be empowered, Be included: Building Blocks for Smart Societies in a Connected World”, this year’s programme includes compelling discussions and debate around:

- Artificial intelligence, smart sensors & smart networks
- Digital financial inclusion – the challenges of bringing the unbanked online
- The regulatory road towards the ‘Internet of Things’ and M2M communications
- New digital platforms – empowering or enslaving?
- Privacy, trust and cybersecurity
- Strategies to encouraging digital entrepreneurship



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Agenda

09:00 – 09:10 Opening remarks by **Mr Kemal HUSEINOVIC**, Chief, Infrastructure, Enabling Environment and E-Applications Department, Telecommunication Development Bureau, ITU/BDT

09:10 – 09:50 **Interactive debate among Panelists**

Moderator: **Ms Sofie MADDENS**, Head, Regulatory and Market Environment Division, ITU/BDT

Panelists:

1. **Ms Aminata GARBA**, Director of African Network Information Center (AFRINIC) and Carnegie Mellon University, Assistant Professor (CMU)
2. **Mr David GOMES**, Director General, Agência Nacional de Comunicações Cabo Verde (ANAC)
3. **Mr Ilyas AHMED**, Chief Executive, Communications Authority of Maldives
4. **Ms Adriana LABARDINI**, Commissioner, Federal Telecommunications Institute (IFT), Mexico
5. **Ms Anriette ESTERHUYSEN**, Executive Director, Association for Progressive Communications (APC)

09:50 – 10:20 General discussion – opening of the floor: onsite and remote audience

10:20 – 10:30 Wrap-up by the Moderator and closing of the Session

