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KAMPALA2024

Regulation for Impact

1-4 July 2024
Kampala, Uganda

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- GSR has grown over the years to become the key event in the ICT/telecommunications industry.

- GSR-24 will attract over 700 people including policy makers, regulators, representatives from industry, academia, international and regional organizations, experts in the field of digital development, as well as other partners.

- GSR raises awareness and improves knowledge and understanding of the core policy and regulatory issues related to maximizing the potential of digital for better lives.

- GSR Best Practice Guidelines support countries in defining, elaborating, implementing and reviewing transparent, coherent and forward-looking strategies, policy, legal and regulatory frameworks

ITU GSR KAMPALA 2024

A unique platform for open dialogue among regulators, policy makers and other digital stakeholders

Theme: Regulation for Impact

Chaired by: George William Nyombi Thembo, Executive Director, Uganda Communications Commission (UCC)

Format: Interactive high-level panels on topical and cutting-edge policy and regulatory issues

Topics: maximizing digital opportunities; space economy; connecting everyone, everything, everywhere, all at once; mastering digital transformation; Artificial Intelligence (AI) and robotics for positive impact; safe and inclusive digital financial services; regulatory sandboxing for innovation; harnessing digital for climate action.

Outcomes:

- GSR-24 best practice guidelines on *Charting the course of transformative technologies for positive impact* based on membership consultation.
- IAGDI-CRO Industry Outcome Statement

Events organized as part of GSR-24

- Executive Heads of Regulators' Roundtable *(by invitation only)*

- Regional Regulatory Associations Meeting (RA)/ Digital Regulation Network (DRN) *(by invitation only)*

- Industry Advisory Group on Development Issues and Private Sector Chief Regulatory Officers' (IAGDI-CRO)

- Network of Women in ITU-D (NoW)

- GSR Core Sessions: Regulation for Impact

- Thematic side events: Workshops and dialogues on Space, AI, Digital Infrastructure Mapping

GSR-24 Agenda

	Monday 1 July 2024	Tuesday 2 July 2024	Wednesday 3 July 2024	Thursday 4 July 2024
09:00	Regional Regulatory Associations/DRN Meeting – ITU-EU Development of harmonized broadband mapping systems across Sub-Saharan Africa *09:00-12:00*	Industry Advisory Group on Development Issues and Private Sector Chief Regulatory Officers' (IAGDI-CRO) meeting *09:00-10:30*	Session 3 – Connecting everyone, everything, everywhere, all at once *09:00-10:15*	Session 7 – Regulatory sandboxing for innovation *09:00-10:00*
10:00				Coffee Break *10:00-10:30*
10:15			Coffee break *10:15-10:45*	
10:30				Session 8 – Harnessing digital for climate action *10:30-11:30*
10:45		Opening ceremony *11:00-12:00*	Session 4 – Mastering digital transformation *10:45-12:00*	
11:00				
11:30				Closing ceremony *11:30-12:00*
12:00	Lunch *12:00-14:00*	Lunch break *12:00-14:00*	Lunch Break *12:00-12:45*	
12:45			Network of Women (NoW) in ITU-D (tbc) *12:45-13:45*	
14:00	Heads of Regulators Executive Roundtable: Charting the course of transformative technologies *14:00-16:00*	High Level Segment: Maximizing digital opportunities for impact *14:00-15:15*	Session 5 – AI and robotics for positive impact *14:00-15:15*	
15:15		Coffee Break *15:15-15:45*	Coffee Break *15:15-15:45*	
15:45		Session 2 – Space economy *15:45-17:00*	Session 6 – Safe and inclusive digital financial services *15:45-17:00*	
17:00		Space Workshop (Side event tbc) *17:00-18:00*	GovStack Initiative (Side event tbc) *17:00-18:00*	

GSR-24 Best Practice Guidelines (BPG) consultation process

GSR-24 Best Practice Guidelines (BPG) "Charting the course of transformative technologies for positive impact"

The objective of the GSR-24 consultation is to explore policy and regulatory approaches to chart the rapid deployment of innovative technologies such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), the Internet of Things (IoT), Blockchain, robotics, 3D and 4D printing, nanotechnology, augmented and virtual reality, etc. that are shaping the new digital era.

- What are **challenges and opportunities faced by policy makers and regulators in embracing transformative technologies for greater impact**? (safety and security measures, robustness of outdated policies and regulations)
- What **collaborative governance mechanisms** are needed? (regulatory silos - rethinking traditional regulatory models and mandates, coordination problems)
- What **key areas of regulation and measures** are needed to address the complexity of transformative technologies balancing the benefits of innovation with the need to address potential risks?
- What are the **guiding principles** to follow to foster positive impact of transformative technologies for all? How to **minimize risks while maximizing benefits**? How to **drive positive behaviour of market players**?

Why and how to get involved

- Share and promote innovative ICT solutions
- Bring young innovators/entrepreneurs
- Contribute to the development agenda
- Enjoy network opportunities with key stakeholders in the digital ecosystem

Digital Regulation Network (DRN)

The Collaborative Network of Networks

Dr Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava
Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau

"Only by accelerating collaboration among stakeholders and taking digital governance to the next level, we can harness the full potential of digital transformation. Let's join forces with stakeholders across the board and make an impact on the future of all people, everywhere"

Objective

The aim of the Network is to accelerate sustainable digital transformation through common approaches to collaborative digital policy, regulation and governance across economic sectors and across borders. The Network is enabled by Regulatory Associations (RAs) at the regional and global level by leveraging South-South, North-South and triangular cooperation.

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The Collaborative Network of Networks

Aims

Support regional regulatory associations and their members in building institutional and human capacity

Strengthen cooperation among RAs and their members and with other pivotal Networks in the regional and global digital regulation space, making regulatory collaboration easy and effective

Provide a safe space and tools for co-creating harmonized approaches to digital policies and regulation for digital transformation at the national and regional levels

Share good practices and experiences and advocate for the outcomes of the Network

Vehicles

Convening a platform to facilitate cross-sectoral collaboration, consultation and experimentation among RAs and with other regional, global Networks and individual NRAs

Piloting GSR best practice guidelines and other consultation processes, and outcomes dissemination

Leveraging digital regulation tools and frameworks (ICT Regulation Tracker, G5 benchmark and the Unified framework) to support evidence-based decision-making

Establishing knowledge transfer programmes (technical assistance, twinning between RAs and their members, with Networks of other sectors, mentoring programme, etc.)

Digital Regulation Network (DRN)

The Collaborative Network of Networks

The three main building blocks:

Thought leadership

Platform for discussion, cooperation, collaboration and consultation with RAs and RAs from other sectors as well as with specific NRAs

Strategizing on emerging issues, regulatory needs in the digital transformation and piloting good practices for harmonized approaches

Capacity development

Knowledge transfer programmes/ twinning programme among RAs and their members

Institutional capacity development programme for RAs

Regulatory experimentation & innovation

Co-designing of regulation and policy experimentation for emerging technologies (including AI, digital policies, etc.)

Promoting cross-sectoral regulatory approaches for digital transformation

Evidence-based decision-making tools (sandboxes, RIA, etc.)

Innovative Financing Solutions Discussion Platform (ESG)

Digital Regulation Network (DRN) Community

DRN Community Network

- ✓ Regional Regulatory Associations (RAs)
- ✓ National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs)
- ✓ Regional Economic Commissions (REC)
- ✓ Other Sectors Regulatory Authorities
- ✓ International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
- ✓ …

ITU Events and Resources

- ✓ Global Symposium for Regulators (GRS)
- ✓ GSR Regional Regulatory Associations meeting (RAs)
- ✓ Industry Advisory Group on Development Issues (IAGDI CRO)
- ✓ ITU Digital Regulation platform
- ✓ Regional Regulatory and Economic events
- ✓ …

Capacity Building and exchange of information

- ✓ ITU Study Groups
- ✓ ITU Academy
- ✓ ITU Academy Training Centers (ATCs)
- ✓ …

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Location: Speke Resort and Conference Centre Munyonyo

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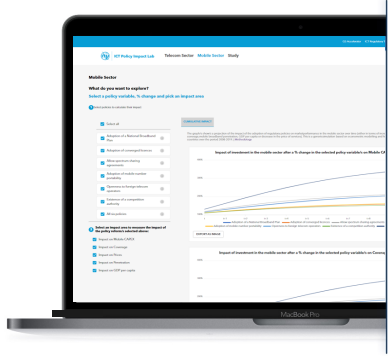
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Assessing investment needs of connecting humanity to the Internet by 2030
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