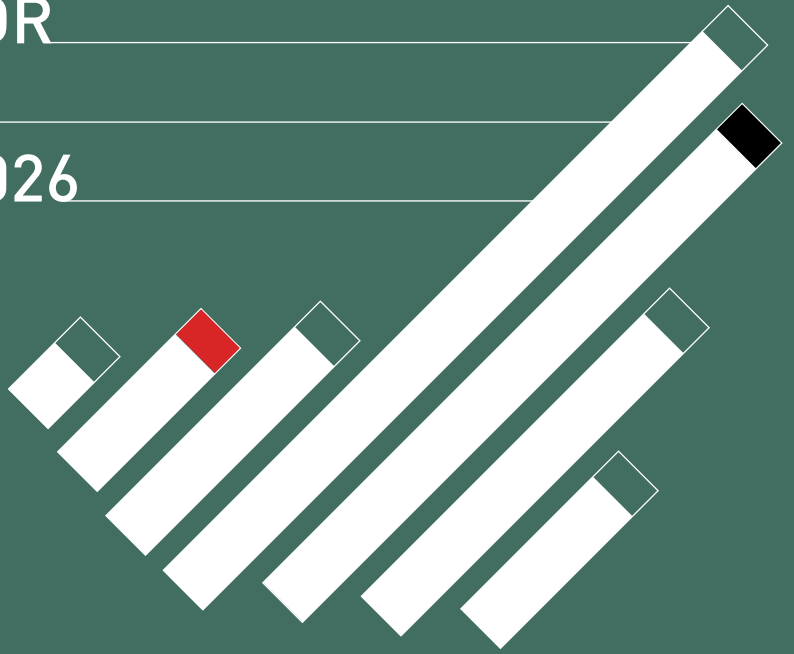
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UAE'S CANDIDACY FOR RE-ELECTION TO ITU COUNCIL 2023-2026

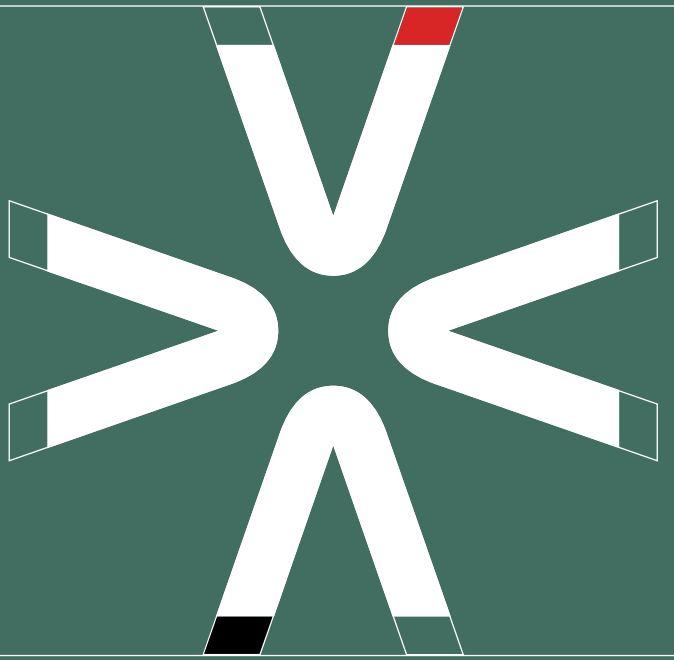


TDRA'S JOURNEY WITH THE ITU

The United Arab Emirates' ICT sector plays a pivotal role in shaping the progress and development of the UAE. The significance of this sector is well recognized by the leadership, and it is one of the fastest growing sectors in the country. The UAE's competitiveness in the ICT sector is evidently witnessed through its outstanding global rankings in the majority of ICT-related key performance indicators.

Together with its collaborative regulatory environment, the ICT sector continues to offer the best to the society, including individuals as well as government and private institutions.

The UAE officially joined the ITU in 1972. Since becoming a member of the ITU Council in 2006, the UAE has been actively engaged in hosting and chairing several ITU conferences, events and forums.



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THE UAE IS CURRENTLY THE ONLY ITU MEMBER STATE TO HAVE CHAIRED ALL ITU EVENTS; CONFERENCES, COUNCIL MEETINGS AND THE WSIS FORUM.

CHAIRED BY THE UAE

2012	2012	2012	2014	2018
WRC	WTSA	WCIT	WTDC	PP18

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The launch of the Hope Probe to Mars and the recent announcement of a mission to Venus and the main asteroid belt located between Mars and Jupiter in an attempt to develop satellite communications technology and deploy the latest space technologies for scientific research and terrestrial applications, is a testimony of the fact that the UAE believes in exploring the space sector.

In continuation of these efforts and based on the principles of international cooperation and sharing best practices, together with efforts to enhance the leading position of the country in international fora, the UAE has submitted its nomination for membership to the ITU Council for the next term.

Our objectives for the re-election to the membership of ITU Council are as follows:

1. Continue supporting the ITU Member States and the Union in meeting the core objective of connecting the unconnected
2. Share best practices from the ICT and space sector with the ITU and its Member States
3. Promote and adopt principles of international cooperation for the achievement of the SDGs globally
4. Continue the facilitation and promotion of principles related to governance and transparency at the ITU
5. Constructive engagements and fruitful outcomes to meet the ITU vision, mission and key objectives as per the ITU Strategic Framework.

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THE UAE'S ICT RANKING 2021

1st in Mobile network coverage

1st Mobile broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants

1st in Mobile cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants

1st in Fiber to the Home penetration

1st in government procurement of advanced technologies

1st in the use of virtual professional networks

1st in competition in fixed and mobile markets

Fastest mobile network speed globally

2nd in ICT adoption

3rd in Foreign direct investment and technology transfer

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MILESTONES OF THE UAE IN ITS JOURNEY WITH THE ITU

1972
- The UAE joins the ITU

1997
- Submitted First input document in WRC

2000
- Submitted 7 input documents to WRC

2001
- Appointed the Vice Chair of the Arab Spectrum Management Group

2002
- Participated in PP-02, Marrakesh; represented the Arab Group in the Editorial Committee

2003
- Developed 40 input documents and chaired a Working Group panel

2004
- Participated in the Regional Radiocommunication Conference

2006
- Submitted a report on Digital Broadcasting, chaired a Working Group level, 225 succeeded in obtaining digitally coordinated channels
- Participated in WTDC, Qatar
- Elected as ITU Council Member

2007
- Hosted its first major ITU event, the Global Symposium for Regulators
- His Highness Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE met the ITU Secretary General
- Developed input document for Arab agenda and submitted to the WRC, chaired a Working Group

2008
- Chaired the ASMG (on-going)
- Participated in WSIS and submitted several documents

2010
- Chaired the Arab Preparatory Group of PP-10
- Elected as Vice Chair of PP-10
- Re-elected to the ITU Council

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MILESTONES OF THE UAE IN ITS JOURNEY WITH THE ITU

2012

- Chaired the NRC (National Radio Committee), submitted Arab Common Proposals, including new items such as: 700 MHz band in Region1 with the support of 7 countries
- Hosted the WTSA
- Hosted the WCIT

2014

- Hosted WTDC
- Chaired the PP-14 Arab group
- Appointed Vice Chair at PP-14

2015

- Chaired the WRC
- Chaired the Conference Preparatory Meeting for the WRC-19

2016

- UAE was appointed to Vice-Chair SG-2 (ITU-T)
- UAE was appointed to chair SG-20 (ITU-T)

2017

- Chaired the PP-18 Arab Group
- Appointed Vice Chair in Study group 2
- Appointed Vice Chair in WTDC And Chaired the WTDC Arab Group

2018

- Chaired and hosted the ITU PP-18 in Dubai, recognized as the first green conference of ITU by the ISO
- Re-elected to ITU Council membership
- Chaired WSIS Forum 2018
- Signed the agreement for sponsoring the Sheikh Zayed Hall at the new ITU building

2019

- Selected to chair the ITU CWG-COP from 2019-2022

2020

- Hosted Inter-regional Arab-African Hands-on training on BSG
- Chaired the ITU Council 2020
- Established i-CODI at the ITU

2021

- Became a member of Broadband Commission
- Chaired the ITU Council 2021

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