



OBJECTIVES OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE AP-IS STEERING COMMITTEE, 27-28 AUGUST 2018

ICT and Development Section
ICT and Disaster Risk Reduction Division

IMPROVING REGIONAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY THROUGH THE
ASIA-PACIFIC INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY



Objective: AP-IS Steering Committee

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1. To discuss and **finalize updates to the AP-IS Master Plan and Regional Cooperation Framework Document**, as agreed upon at the first AP-IS Steering Committee meeting in Dhaka, in November 2017;
2. For ESCAP and partners to present **analytical work in support** of regional policy dialogue and AP-IS implementation;
3. To **review subregional initiatives, activities along the 7 strategic initiatives** of the Master Plan and discuss any issues identified in the implementation process.



Modality of the meeting

- Exhibition outside the conference rooms by partners
- Lunch hosted on 27 and 28 August for informal in-depth discussions with private sector companies
- Networking and partnership expansion among delegates and partners
- Promoting cross-sectoral collaboration
- Interactive discussions during the sessions



Expected outcomes

- Deepened preparation for the second session of the Committee on Information and Communications Technology, Science, Technology and Innovation (CICTSTI), 29-31 August 2018
- Consensus built on the updates to the AP-IS Master Plan and Regional Cooperation Framework Document 2019-2022
- Partnerships expanded and concrete collaborative initiatives identified for the implementation of the Master Plan and Regional Cooperation Framework Document.



CICTSTI agenda item 3(a)

- ESCAP/CICTSTI/2018/2: Implementation of the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Master Plan and Regional Cooperation Framework Document
- ESCAP/CICTSTI/2018/3: Major issues and emerging trends related to digital technologies and regional broadband connectivity
- ESCAP/CICTSTI/2018/INF/1: Master Plan for the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway, 2019–2022
- ESCAP/CICTSTI/2018/INF/2: Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Regional Cooperation Framework Document, 2019–2022



Election of Bureau

- Bureau of the first Session:
 - Chair: Bangladesh
 - Vice-Chair: China and Lao PDR
 - Rapporteur: Kazakhstan and Tonga
- Consideration for
 - Subregional diversity
 - Planned activities in 2019 and beyond for the subregional implementation



Thank you

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