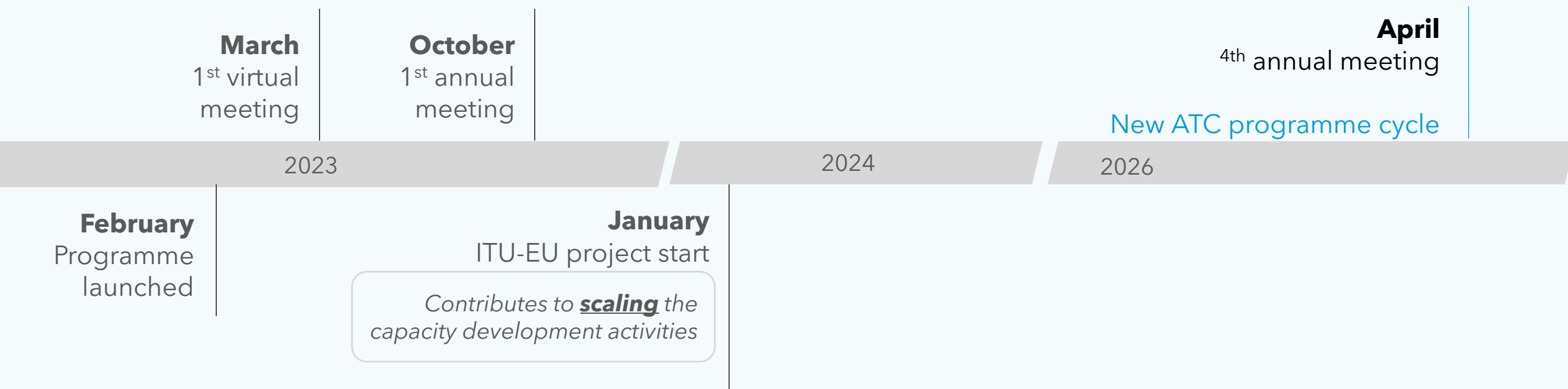


Updates from the ITU Academy team

23 April 2026

The ATC programme to date

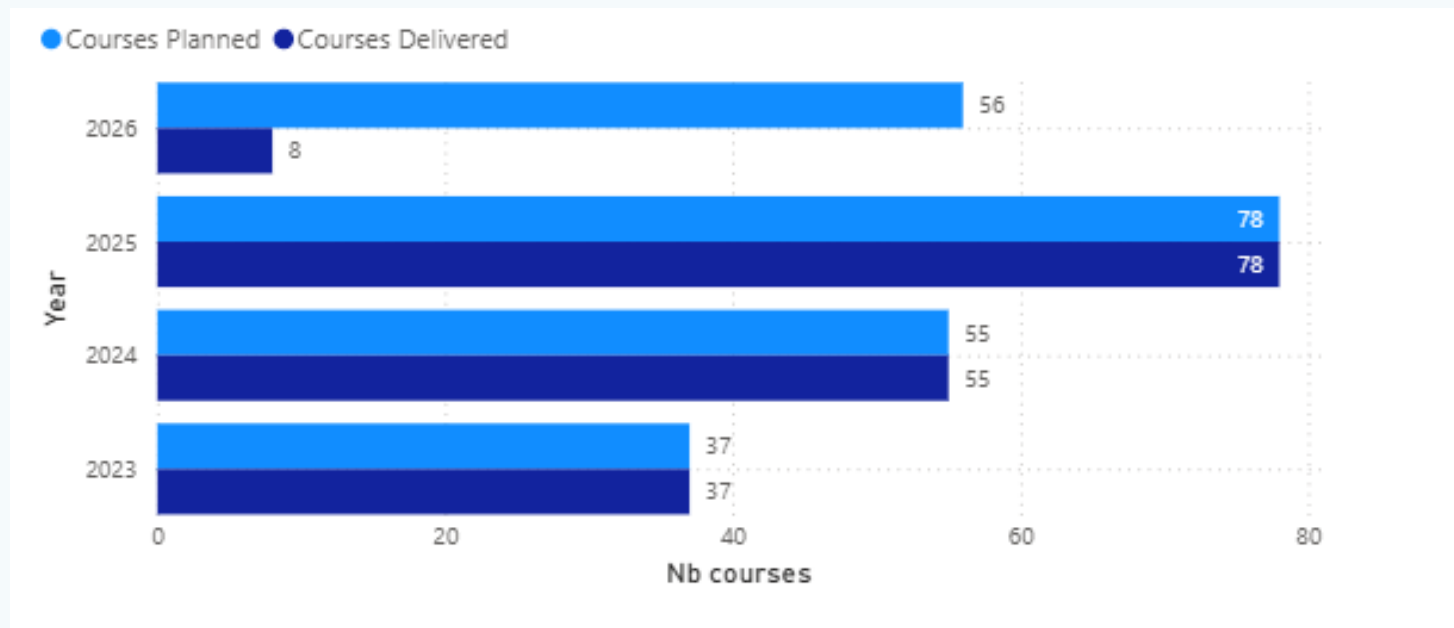




1. Deployment of ATC training courses



Number of courses delivered

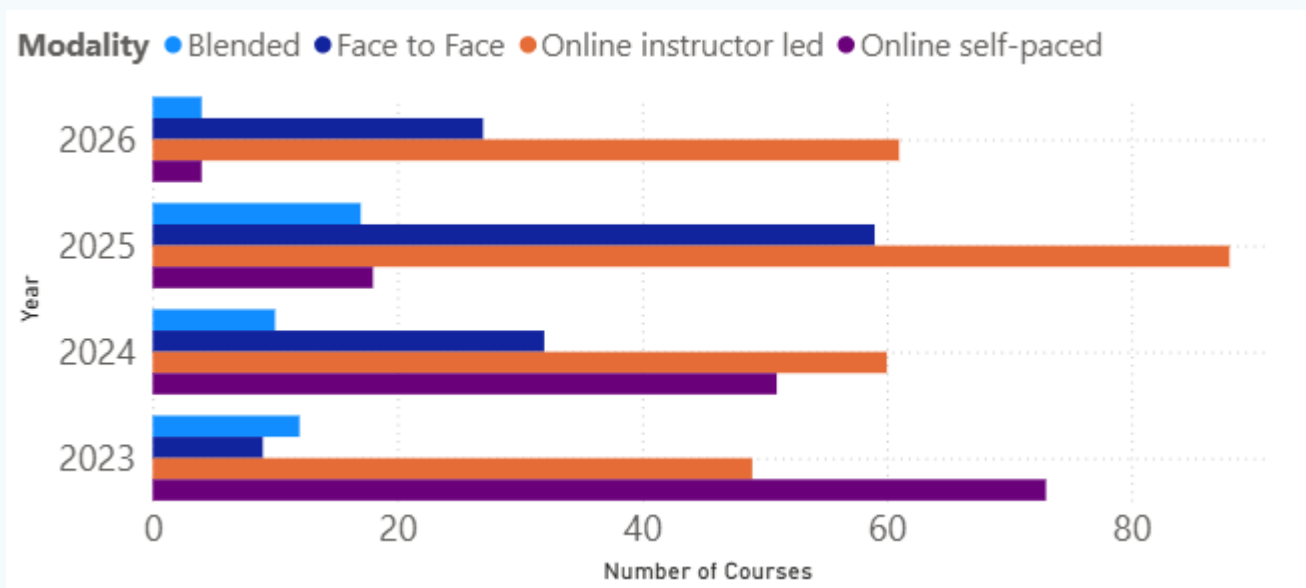


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courses delivered and planned
since the launch of the programme
in 2023

Types of courses

Number of courses per modality



As per the programme structure, most courses are **online instructor-led**.

Most courses are **in English**:

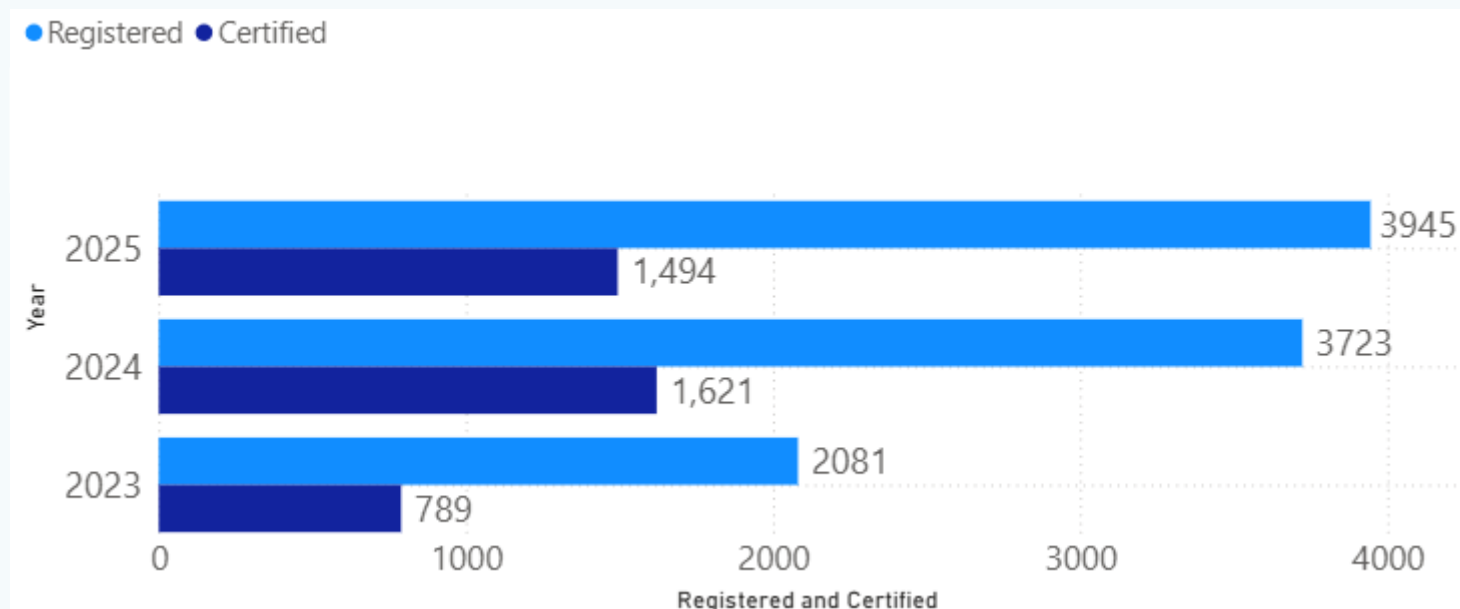
- ATCs are encouraged to run courses in other UN languages.
- In 2026 the first ATC course in French to be offered.

LANGUAGE

● Arabic ● Chinese ● English ● French ● Portuguese ● Russian ● Spanish



Number of participants certified



≈4,000

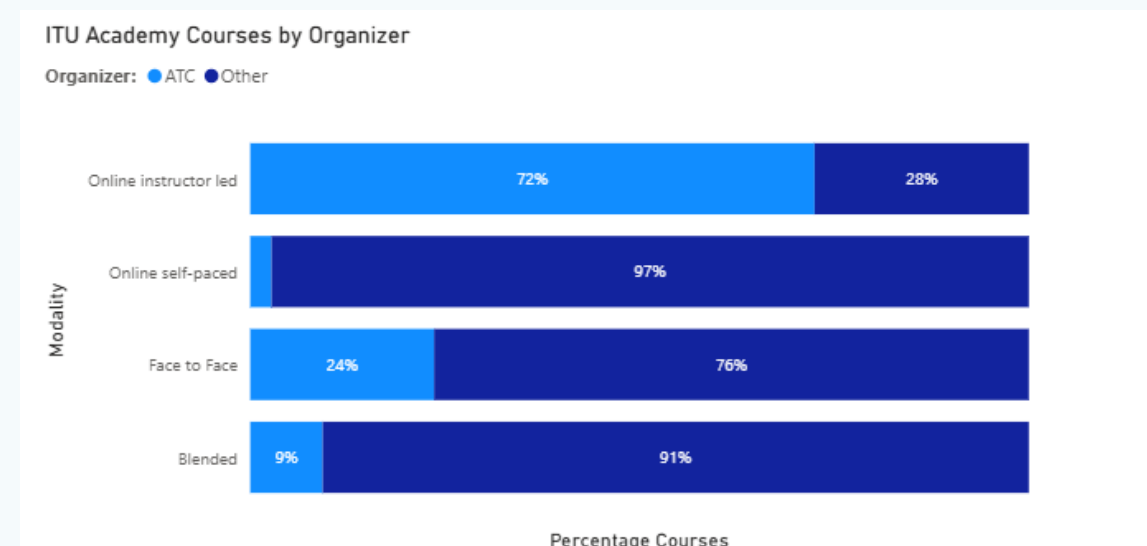
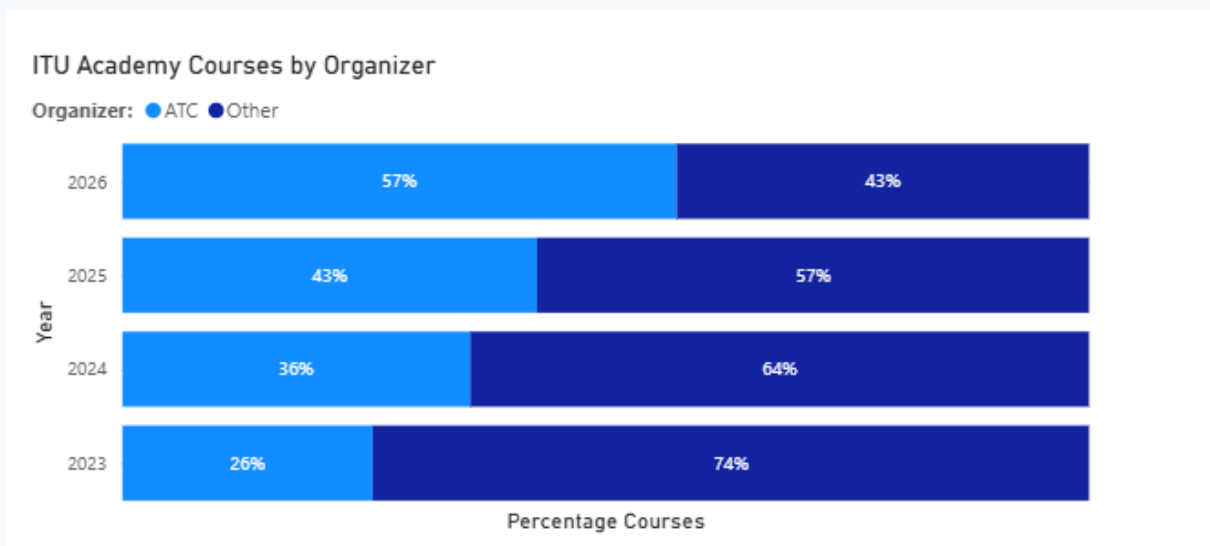
Certificates issued since the launch of the programme in 2023

This corresponds to an overall certification rate of 41 %

**Data for certification until January 2026*

ATC programme in the context of the ITU Academy

Percentage of ITU Academy courses by organizer



The ATC programme's importance in the broader ITU Academy work is increasing.

Note: in 2026, some non-ATC courses are still in planning so the final % will decrease.



2. Beneficiary reach and diversity



Diversity of course participants in ATC courses by country/region, affiliation, gender (2023-2026)

190+ countries represented.

92% of participants are from developing countries.

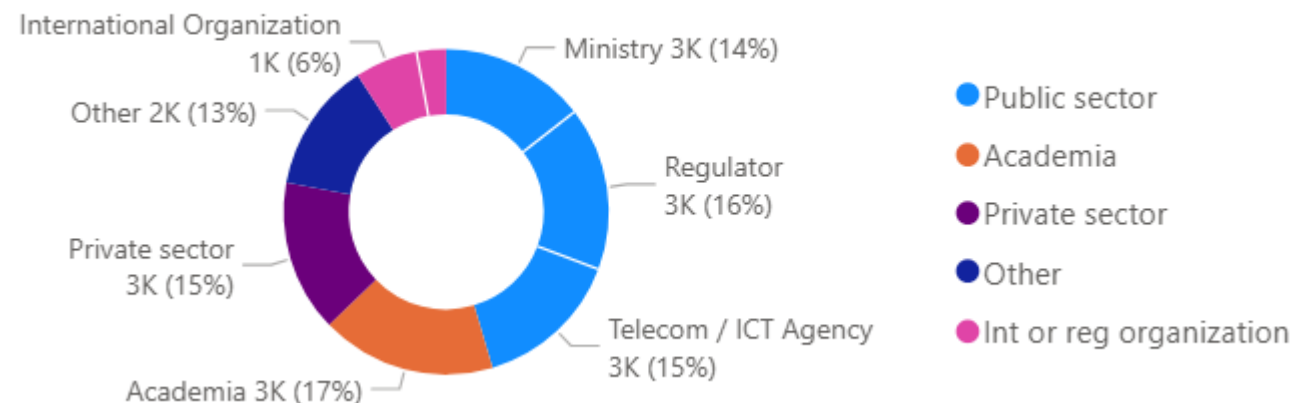
29% of participants are women.

ITU REGIONS

● Africa ● Arab States ● Asia and the Pacific ● CIS ● Europe ● The Americas



AFFILIATION

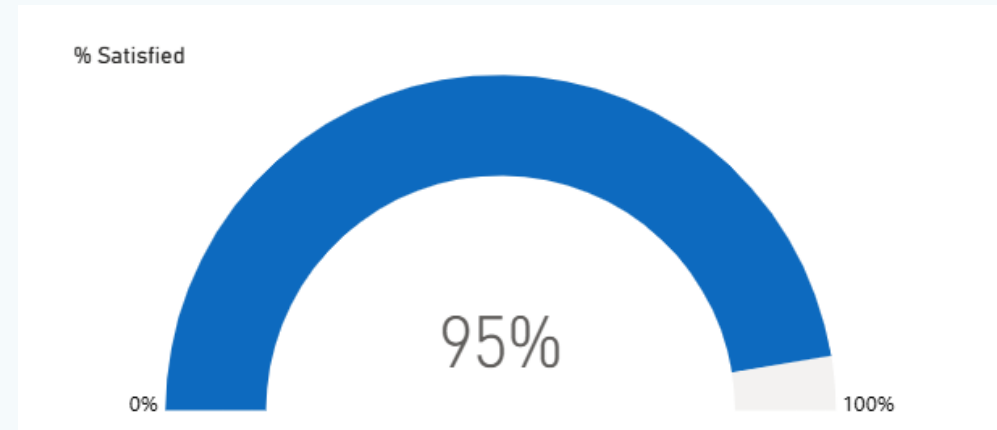
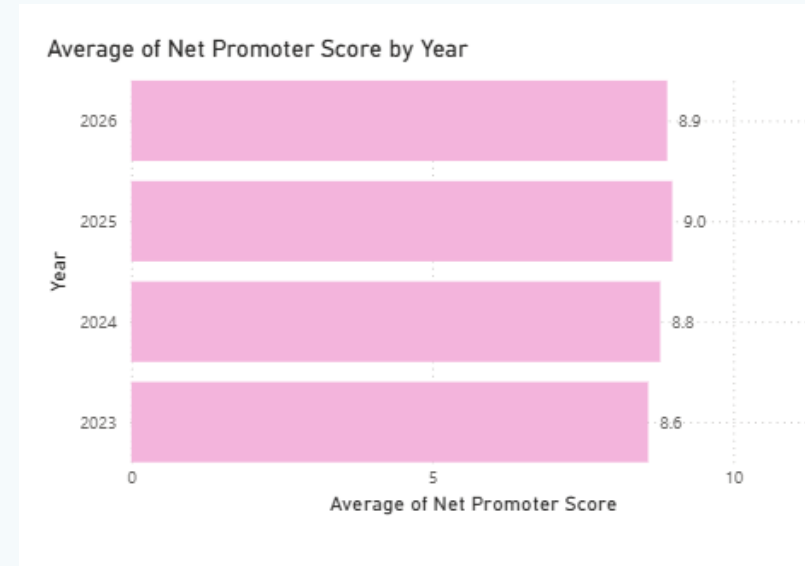


Diversity of course participants by country/region, affiliation, gender (2023-2026)



Overall level of satisfaction

- Average NPS for ATC courses
- Level of satisfaction



Measured as those who consider the ATC course to be good or excellence, since the start of the programme in 2023



3. New programme cycle



New Cooperation Agreements signed

		ATC signed
1	AFRALTI - African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute	Yes
2	CAICT - China Academy of Information and Communications Technology	Yes
3	CERT-MU - Computer Emergency Response Team of Mauritius	Yes
4	DBI - Digital Bridge Institute	Yes
5	INATEL - Instituto Nacional de Telecomunicações	Yes
6	NRD Cyber Security	Yes
7	INICTEL-UNI - Insituto Nacional de Investigación y Capacitación de Telecomunicaciones	Yes
8	TALTECH - Tallinn University of Technology	Addendum signed CA upcoming
9	<i>NCA-T - National Communications Academy-Technology</i>	<i>On hold</i>
10	NIT - National Institute of Telecommunications	Yes
11	WITS - University of the Witwatersrand/Link Centre	Addendum signed CA upcoming
12	UNU-MERIT - United Nations University-Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology	Yes
13	UWI - The University of the West Indies	September 2026
14	EG-ATRC - Egyptian African Telecom Regulatory Training Center	August 2027

New Cooperation Agreements signed

- Main provisions: IP, ownership, new process for funded courses
- FAID: funding authorization implementation document
 - Replaced Purchase Order
 - Alignment with ITU procurement and financial regulations

Capacity development for digital transformation project

Overview

Scope	Global
Expected duration	1 Sep 2023 – 31 Aug 2027
Budget	4 million Euros
Implementing Agencies	International Telecommunications Union (ITU) (Lead Organization) and UNDP (Partner)
Objective	Train at least 5,000 policymakers and government officials on a wide range of topics
Funded by	European Union's Global Gateway initiative

Capacity development for digital transformation project

# Courses	2024	2025	2026 (completed)	2026 (planned)	Total
ATC-led	14	24	4	16	58
ITU-led	10	13	6	7	36
Courses per year	24	37	10	28	
Total # of courses	94 (45 online and 49 face-to-face)				

- 10 out of 14 ATCs actively involved in project implementation
- 3,900 participants trained
- 96% satisfaction rate
- 84% certification rate
- New collaborations already taking place (ATC-ATC, Inter-agency-ATC)
- Regular coordination and communication pre-, during and post-training delivery

Any other project updates

- Project planned to end in summer 2027

Thank you for excellent collaboration!



4. The GIGA project





Giga: Supporting governments to connect every school to the internet





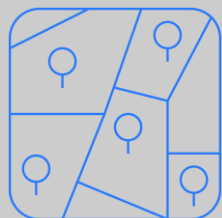
The Connectivity Challenge

Nearly half of the **6 million schools** in the world are not connected to the internet today.

More than **500M students** have no access to internet.

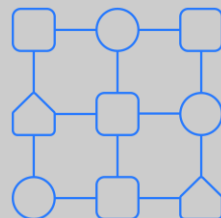
Of the estimated **2.6 billion** unconnected people, the majority are women and girls (ITU, 2024).

**This presents a challenge...
and an opportunity!**



Map

Map the location of schools and monitor school connectivity status in real-time



Model

Model the infrastructure and investments needed to deliver school connectivity



Finance

Support governments to build the right-layered financing to pay for connectivity

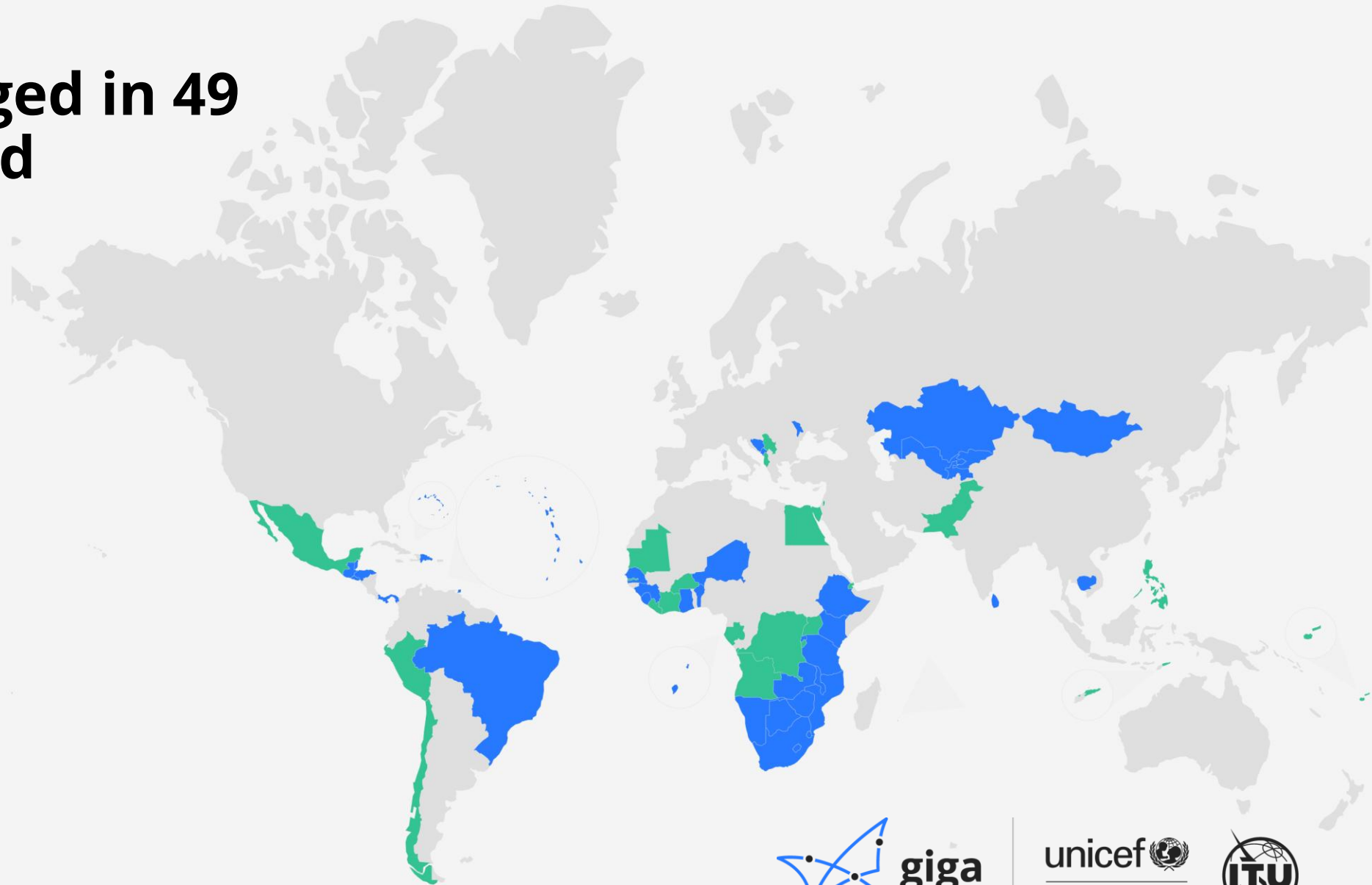


Contract

Help governments procure connectivity for schools

Underpinned by **capacity development**, strengthening knowledge and skills across Giga's four main pillars

Giga is engaged in 49 countries and territories



The Giga Learning Hub

- Umbrella for capacity development for Giga
- Training courses, workshops, peer-to-peer learning, and other learning activities
- First training course in 2025

Objective: Empower countries with actionable tools and insights to advance school connectivity worldwide.

- Courses on the A to Z of school connectivity
- Primary audience: government officials and policymakers
- Tailored to school connectivity
- Online and in-person in Geneva at Giga Connectivity Centre
- Delivered through ITU Academy



Giga Learning Hub Core Curriculum

Policymaking & Regulation

School connectivity strategy and business planning (A to Z)

Multi-sector collaborative regulation for school connectivity

Digital transformation and digital learning platforms

Spectrum management for school connectivity

Financial Planning & Sustainability

Approaches for financing school connectivity

Universal service funding for school connectivity

Operating models and sustainability of school connectivity

Sustainable public procurement for school connectivity

Network Planning

ICT business planning for school connectivity

Data sourcing, management, and storage to facilitate school connectivity

Mapping of existing infrastructure assets and identifying the ICT gaps for school connectivity

Scenario analyses for different technology options for last mile school connectivity

Satellite connectivity options for schools

Delivery & Oversight

School connectivity project- and grant management

Internet Quality of Service monitoring

Measuring school connectivity – ICT indicators

Cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection

Child Online Protection

NB: This is a non-exhaustive list; the curriculum is constantly evolving

- Expanding the training curriculum to cover more areas in the A – Z of school and create new courses
- Localizing the courses to ensure content is accessible and relevant in diverse regional contexts
- Expanding partnerships for course development and delivery, including with ATCs and DTCs

Thank you!



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