

Group on Capacity Building Initiatives (GCBI)

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Harmonization of capacity development approaches across the ITU

Background

- I-CoDI "One-ITU" bootcamp April 2021: develop a harmonized capacity development framework
- Council (2020-2022 sessions): Feasibility Study on the Establishment of an ITU Training Institute
 - Review of ITU's work on capacity development (all bureaus)
 - Recommendations on the way forward
 - VCC-22 decision: Work towards a harmonized framework in ITU under the umbrella of the ITU Academy, through internal task force

Objectives

How to bring different training and capacity development practices across ITU bureaus and sectors together?

Different bureaus run their own capacity development activities:

- using different sets of materials on the same subject,
- delivered to the same member clients,
- with different delivery parameters, assessment tools and assessment criteria, and
- running the risk of applying different standards of quality.

Recommendations by the Directors of the 3 bureaux

- Established and mandated a task force to oversee the harmonization of capacity development in ITU which includes representatives of the three bureaus
- Mandated the task force to work towards consolidating all ITU capacity development work under the ITU Academy, using the ITU Academy platform as a tool to be used by all ITU bureaus
- Mandated the task force to begin work with stock taking of all capacity development work across all the three bureaus
- Mandated the task force to develop a taxonomy of ITU capacity development terminologies
- Mandated the task force to report to each respective advisory group (RAG, TSAG, TDAG)



Terms of Reference of the Task Force

- Develop a detailed strategic roadmap including 6-month implementation plan
- Liaise with colleagues in their bureaus and consolidate the bureau's inputs to the task group
- Facilitate roll-out of the road map and implementation plan
- Report progress on a quarterly basis to the Directors
- Organize information sessions on this work for their bureau (at least one session per year)
- Members of the Task Force: 2 representatives each from BDT, TSB, BR and GS

Progress made to date

The Task Force has met 6 times since March 2022

- Reviewed the Task Force ToR
- Stocktaking of capacity development activities within each bureau
- Identified the differences across each bureaus' platforms
- Started to document processes for workshops & training courses to identify the different requirements at each stage for implementation across bureaus
- Looked at a prototype of the new ITU Academy website
- Agreed on common definitions (training course, workshop)

Briefed Directors of each bureau on 14 September 2022

Next steps (next 6 months)

Next steps	Timeline
Information campaign Organize information sessions on the work of the TFCD: - Bureaux - Regional Offices	Early 2023
 Harmonization Develop guidelines for harmonising processes with a focus on the following: Guidelines for development of content, quality assurance, review and upgrade of content Guidelines for planning and delivery of courses and workshops Share guidelines and definitions proposal with Bureaux and ROs Make adjustments based on feedback 	Sept 2022 - March 2023
Links with ITU Academy Develop a wireframe to enable inclusion of courses from all bureaux Identify capacity development activities that could be integrated/linked to ITU Academy - Integration exercises with Bureaux and ROs - Final Proposal	Sept 2022 - March 2023 May 2023