COMMONWEALTH
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ORGANISATION

MINISTERIAL
ALLIANCE *for*
DIGITAL NATIONS
21–22 February 2023
London, United Kingdom

Addressing ICT Issues for Commonwealth Transformation

EVENT OVERVIEW

1. INTRODUCTION

The Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation (CTO) recognises that the process of digital transformation is a collective responsibility that governments cannot achieve alone. The private sector has an integral role to play in the process, and collaboration and innovation are imperative for success.

The CTO has conceived the Ministerial Alliance for Digital Nations to facilitate collaboration between its member Governments and the information and communication technologies (ICT) industry to address ICT issues for Commonwealth transformation. This inaugural Ministerial Alliance will consider meaningful and affordable universal broadband access as being essential for digital transformation. Commonwealth and other government ministers will share their challenges in achieving meaningful and affordable universal broadband access and ICT industry representatives will respond to the Ministers' concerns, explaining their technology and presenting appropriate ICT solutions.

The event will present emerging technologies and their implications for policy, legislation, and regulations. Spectrum management issues relating to the technologies presented will also be discussed. Finally, because ICT solutions require energy, the Ministerial Alliance will also address some renewable energy options.

The goal of this event is to foster collaborative action for achieving affordable universal broadband connectivity.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Ministerial Alliance are to:
- Understand the challenges to achieving meaningful and affordable universal broadband connectivity across the Commonwealth.
- Better understand appropriate and emerging technologies that can address the challenges identified.
- Promote inter-ministerial and public-private cooperation for national and regional ICT solutions.
- Explain trending spectrum issues in the context of the ICT innovations and emerging technologies.

3. AUDIENCE

The Ministerial Alliance is open to:
- all government ICT and telecommunications ministers;
- senior ICT policy makers and regulators;
- captains of ICT industry;
- C-level executives of ICT and Energy organisations; and

- heads of international and regional organisations.

4. DATE

21st and 22nd February 2023
The Ministerial Alliance is strategically scheduled for the week preceding the GSMA Mobile World Congress.

5. VENUE

Royal Society, London, England is the venue for the CTO's inaugural Ministerial Alliance for Digital Nations.

6. REGISTRATION FEES

Category	Registration Fee
Government ICT and Telecommunications Ministers	Free
CTO Members, exclusive of Ministers	£250
Non-members	£550

7. REGISTRATION

Registration will open on 23rd November. Please visit the CTO Website at www.cto.int.

8. VISA ASSISTANCE

For visa support, please email the office of the Secretary General at: sg.office@cto.int.

9. SPONSORSHIP

Opportunities are available to join the CTO's esteemed group of sponsors, not only to contribute to the discourse on affordable universal broadband connectivity but also to ensure that there is a strong representation of ICT and telecommunications ministers to address captains of the ICT industry.

10. CTO CONTACT INFORMATION

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