



Arab Working Group for the Preparation of the ITU PP-26



Second Inter-regional preparatory meeting for PP-26
Geneva, 30 April 2026



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Arab Working Group Preparation Overview



The **Arab Working Group for the Preparation of the ITU PP-26** is a specialized body operating under the framework of the **League of Arab States**, comprising 22 Member States.

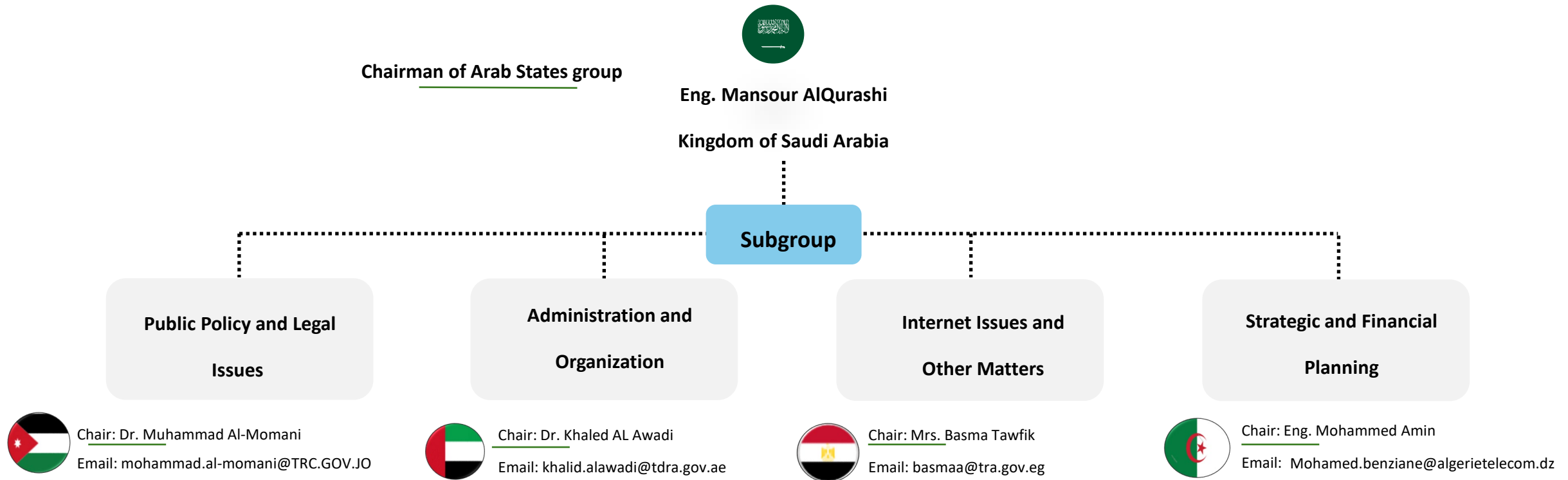
- ✓ Plays a key role in coordinating Arab positions and developing common views in the fields of telecommunications and ICTs
- ✓ Responsible for preparatory coordination for the upcoming PP-26



Arab Working Group Structure



The Arab States Agreed on the Following Structure of the Group:





Preparatory Timetable



15 May 2025

31 August 2025

1 April 2025



First Meeting

- Election of Chair, Vice-Chairs & Adoption of work methodology
- Election of Subgroup chairs



Second Meeting

- Discussion of outcomes of last Council Meetings
- Arab initial priorities topics in PP-26
- Arab countries' nominations for elected positions



Third Meeting

- Head of subgroups presented their work plan and approved
- Starting the discussions of the contributions within the relative subgroups
- New contribution and other contributions from member states are being discussed every 2 weeks virtual within the relative subgroup

- The Arab Working Group plans to convene two to three additional meetings to support Arab coordination and preparations for PP-26.
- The Subgroups will conduct as many as necessary meetings virtually every 2 weeks aiming at finalizing their work.



Arab Initial Focusing Priorities in PP-26



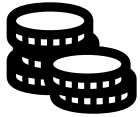
Strategic planning and financial stability of the union



Youth and Women Empowerment



Strengthening ITU regional presence and engagement



Assistance and Support to Member States for rebuilding telecommunication infrastructure in affected countries



Public Policies related to Internet and Cyber Security



Technology Evolution and Future Connectivity



ICT Measurement and Sustainable Development



Arab Candidate for PP-2026



Member States that have expressed interest in ITU Council membership to date

Region D



Morocco



Egypt



Algeria



Libya



Tunisia

Region E



Saudi Arabia



Qatar



Kuwait



United Arab Emirates



Oman



Jordan



Bahrain

Region E

- **Radio Regulations Board Members**

Candidate from Iraq for the Radio Regulations Board

- **ITU Elected Official Positions**

Candidate for Deputy Secretary-General
Mr. Adel Darwish - Bahrain



Upcoming Meeting Schedule



Meeting	Date	Location
4th Arab Working Group Meeting	19–21 May 2026 (TBC)	Virtual
5th Arab Working Group Meeting	11–14 October 2026 (TBC)	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
6th Arab Working Group Meeting	8 November 2026 (TBC)	Doha, Qatar
4th and Last Inter-Regional Preparatory Meeting	13-14 October 2026 (TBC)	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia



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