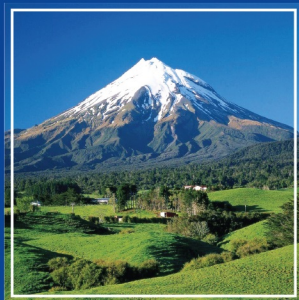


Human beings are members of a whole  
In creation of one essence and soul  
If one member is afflicted with pain  
Other members uneasy will remain  
If you have no sympathy for human pain  
The name of human you cannot retain

Saadi, 1285



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CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION TO  
THE ITU COUNCIL 2023-2026

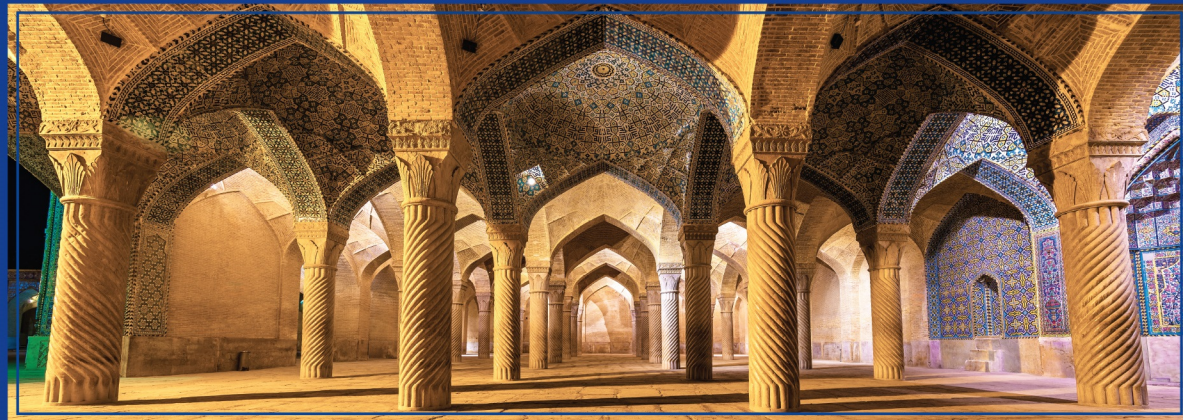




## Iran Committed to Connecting the Unconnected

### The 154th Years of ITU Membership

Iran has a long history of connecting the unconnected, dating back to the Silk Road. This year, Iran is celebrating the 154th anniversary of its membership in the ITU. In fulfilling its commitment to the international community, Iran has participated in all ITU conferences and meetings with a positive and constructive attitude, always trying to achieve consensus. As a candidate for re-election to the ITU Council, Iran is committed to continue the same during 2023-2026. As in the past, we will bring an unbiased and fresh approach with a view to resolving the enormous challenges that are ahead of the world community by achieving consensus. We have acted in a balanced manner in the past and will continue to do so in the future. We are heartened that our contributions in ITU have been acknowledged as invaluable to the international community. Iran would highly appreciate your support towards its re-election to the ITU Council.



Our moto is to connect and provide information and knowledge for the betterment of humankind by considering ITU vision and mission to achieve its strategic goals as stimulated in ITU strategic framework for the years 2023-2026.



With millions of mobile users, Iran has taken the necessary steps to be among the global pioneers in implementing 5G mobile networks and services and bridge the digital divide by closely cooperating with other ITU Member States.



Iran is taking concrete steps to update and improve its regulatory and operational environment. Special focus is on protecting privacy, facilitating the digital economy, and improving efficiencies. Iran actively supports young entrepreneurs, encourages innovation, and promotes startup ventures.



## AIDE MEMOIRE

### Iran's Candidature for Re-election to the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2023-2026

The Islamic Republic of Iran is honored to present its candidature for membership in the ITU Council for 2022-2026. As in the period 2018-2022, this Administration will continue to participate actively and devotedly in the works of the Council and to contribute towards building and achieving consensus during Council deliberations. As follows, you are informed a brief overview of the major activities and tasks that this Administration has done during 2018-2022 and what it plans to perform during next period.

The Islamic Republic of Iran participated in the works of ITU Council physically/virtually as well as in all meetings of Council Working Groups, playing a key role in facilitating discussions on difficult topics, such as those pertaining to the Sixth World Telecommunication Policy Forum (WTPF), World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC), TDAG and its working groups, preparing the draft to WTDC declaration, and identifying ITU-D thematic priorities for the next cycle. This Administration chaired ITU-D Study Group 2 for the last two cycles. It is worth to mention that The Islamic Republic of Iran actively and constructively participated in the work of ITU-R and ITU-T Sectors such as Radio-communication Advisory Group and Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group.

This Administration playing a major role as vice chair of the APT Preparatory Group for Plenipotentiary Conference 2022 and chair of the Informal Interregional Preparatory Meeting for WRC-23. The Islamic Republic of Iran participating in the activities of the ITU Plenipotentiary conferences, such as Stable Constitution and Convention, Internet resolutions, as well as Sectoral Study Groups and associated working parties and Task Groups issues such as various WRC-23 Agenda Items, in particular on the complex issues being discussed under Agenda Item 7 (regulatory provisions administering the use of orbital spectrum resources) to facilitate discussion and consensus building on various issues.

The above activities were witnessed by all participants, Iran has offered proposals with a view to building and achieving consensus on many difficult and dividing issues as summarized above bringing a sense of togetherness in ITU meetings.

This Administration commits itself to act in a balanced and fair manner as it has been doing and will continue to do so in the future.

The Islamic Republic of Iran has been a Member of the ITU since 1869. It provides telecommunication/ICT services to a population of almost 90 million inhabitants, particularly during Covid-19 pandemic with increasing the bandwidth of core network, expanding the capacity and data rate of Telecommunication Network, providing free internet packages to students, teachers and universities, using ICT state-of-the-art technologies to develop helpful applications in order to monitor regional contagion of COVID-19, etc. The Iranian Administration will strive to facilitate the provision of up-to-date and modern networks and services as well as indigenous innovation to its population, irrespective of where they live, be in large metropolitan areas or in remote areas and villages.

The Islamic of Iran is seeking your supporting vote to its candidacy for membership in ITU Council, and would like to assure you that as in the past, its membership in the ITU Council would be beneficial to all Members.