particular organizations or venues, may help advance global ICT development?

vii. What are some structured, corporate social responsibility, goodwill programs, or corporate partnership programs that may be useful resources?

viii. What are some foundations or financial institutions or non-profits that can share donor experiences and best practices to encourage investment in underserved and unserved areas (domestically or internationally)?

b. For the ITU and WTDC–21

i. How might virtual platforms enhance the development and capacity building work of the ITU Bureau of Telecommunication Development (BDT) and ITU–D study groups, including U.S. participation, in a post-COVID–19 environment? Are other methods available or appropriate?

ii. How should we best engage U.S. stakeholders and ascertain their input before, during, and after the WTDC–21 (and on an ongoing basis)?

iii. BDT is seeking to ensure that WTDC–21 is a development-focused conference that mobilizes people and resources to “Connect the Unconnected to Achieve Sustainable Development” including thematic dialogues, a youth summit, and other events to bring stakeholders together to consider key telecommunications/ICT development topics. How can the U.S. government increase awareness or participation in WTDC–21 in order to help ensure concrete outcomes?

3. WTDC–21

a. What WTDC–21 outcomes would best help achieve the Conference’s goal to connect the unconnected and to help raise awareness and mobilize resources to close the digital divide?

b. What development projects, ideas, and activities might be useful for the U.S. government to advance through the ITU Development Sector?

c. What ITU–D accomplishments should the U.S. government encourage the ITU seek to replicate?

4. Other

a. Are there other telecommunications/ICT development matters that stakeholders want to raise with the U.S. government (unrelated to the ITU or UN)?

Request for Public Comment

In addition to the questions above, NTIA invites comment on the full range of issues that may be presented by this RFC. We welcome input and comments on any specific issues being advanced by other countries, private sector organizations, and stakeholders for WTDC–2021.

Instructions for Commenters

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) the Bureau may not conduct or sponsor, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. On April 22, 2021, the Bureau published an interim final rule in the Federal Register titled “Debt Collection Practices in Connection with the Global COVID–19 Pandemic (Regulation F)” to amend Regulation F, which implements the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA). The interim final rule addresses certain debt collector conduct associated with an eviction moratorium issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in response to the global COVID–19 pandemic. The amendments prohibit debt collectors from taking certain covered eviction actions unless the debt collectors provide written notice to certain consumers of their protections under the CDC temporary eviction moratorium and prohibit misrepresentations about consumers’ eligibility for protection under such moratorium. This moratorium is in place now and currently set to expire at the end of June.

Pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.13, the Bureau submitted a request for emergency approval of these information collection on April 22, 2021, and OMB approved this ICR on April 30, 2021 and assigned it OMB Control Number 3170–0074. Therefore, in accordance with the PRA and 5 CFR 1320.11(k), the Bureau hereby announces OMB approval of the information collection requirements as contained in the subject interim final rule which is effective May 3, 2021.


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