



**ITU WTDC**  
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**Pre-WTDC Training for the Network of Women in ITU-D**  
***Enhancing the preparedness of Women at the WTDC***  
**Wednesday, 18 May 2022, 12:00 – 15:00 CEST**

**SPEAKERS (listed alphabetically)**



**Ms. Caroline Greenway, Board Member Papua New Guinea**

December 2016 to present (post retirement from Australian Public Service)

December 2021, appointed to the auDA General Advisory Standing Committee (GASC). auDA is the .au Domain Administration Limited (auDA), which develops and administers the rules for domain names in the .au country code Top Level Domain.

October 2020 – Appointed by the Papua New Guinea National Executive Council as Independent Expert on the Board of the National Information and Communications Technology Authority (NICTA), the independent ICT regulator.

July 2021 - Elected Chair of the Asia Pacific Telecommunity Preparatory Process for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2022.

Participated in the Steering Committee to develop, organise and run NetThing 2019, an inclusive and open space to talk about and debate Internet issues of importance to Australians.

Director – Caroline Greenway Consulting:

- Developed a whole-of government strategy for DFAT on engagement with the ITU
- Working with a number of private sector international clients.
- Working with the Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) to prepare, present and facilitate training courses on Preparing for International Conferences. These courses are designed for newly recruited or junior officials from APT member countries.
- Contracted to represent Australia at the 2017 ITU Council and advise the Australian delegation at the second APT Preparatory Meeting for the 2018 ITU Plenipotentiary.

Prior to her recent retirement from the Australian Government, I was Director, International Engagement & Strategy, Department of Communications.

In that role I led Australia's engagement in key regional and international fora and on strategic issues with an international information and communication technology dimension. I was responsible for the development of the Department's International Engagement Strategy and reporting to the Executive Leadership Team. I ensured that Australian interests, including those of industry and consumers, were protected and advanced in International Telecommunications Union (ITU) multilateral communications decision making and global multi-stakeholder internet governance decision making bodies.

I had responsibility for the Department's involvement in multilateral and bilateral free trade agreement negotiations and WTO matters. I also led Australia's participation in the World Summit on the Information Society ten-year review process (WSIS+10), and Australia's engagement with the APEC Telecommunications and Information Working Group (APEC TEL), including development and management of projects.

I worked with trusted experts, the Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT), Pacific Islands Telecommunications Association and the ITU Bangkok Regional Office to make effective use of Australia's contribution to the ITU -Development sector and to the APT to address ICT development needs and security vulnerabilities in the Asia-Pacific region, with a particular focus on Pacific Island countries.

Achievements

- Served as Australian Councillor to the ITU
- Chaired the ITU Council Administration & Management Committee for two years, representing the Asia Pacific Region
- Chaired Committee 6 (Administration and Management) at the ITU's 2014 Plenipotentiary Conference as the nominated representative of the Asia Pacific Region. Awarded the ITU Silver Medal.
- Led the Australian delegation at the ITU World Telecommunication Standardisation Assembly 2016.

- Participated in the ITU's mentoring and leadership program (part of its Gender Equality and Mainstreaming Policy), and took part in associated panel discussions and activities.
- Led the whole of government preparations for two multilateral treaty level conferences and the 2016 World Telecommunications Development Conference, including Asia Pacific regional preparations, to develop strategic, robust and positive Australian contributions.
- Established an open and collaborative multi-stakeholder consultative body to develop Australian positions and policy approaches and to respond to proposals from other countries and regions
- Regional Vice Chair for the Asia Pacific Regional preparatory process for the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 and Working Group Chair
- Led the Australian delegation to the APEC TEL, contributing to its strategic and workplan development and actively developing and participating in projects, workshops and the regular Regulatory Roundtables.
- Hosted APEC TEL 50 in Brisbane in 2014.
- Participated in DFAT-led Australian delegations engaging in bilateral cyber dialogues.
- Panellist in discussions on international cybersecurity and internet governance developments at the Australian Strategic Policy Institute and the Australian Internet Governance Forum.



**Dr. Cosmas Zavazava**  
**Chief of Department, Partnerships for Digital Development, ITU**

Dr Cosmas Zavazava works in the Telecommunication Development Bureau of the ITU. He is Chief of Department responsible for strategic partnerships, resource mobilization, industry and private sector engagement, and execution of ITU development-oriented ICT projects.

Prior to this, he was responsible for Statistics and Measuring the Information Society, Project Execution, Capacity Building, Emergency Telecommunications, Climate Change, E-Waste Management, and support to Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing States, and Small Island Developing States.

Before joining ITU, he served as Head of Zimbabwe's Government Telecommunications Agency, and a senior diplomat and negotiator.

Cosmas Zavazava served as Secretary to past World Telecommunication Development Conferences as follows:

**WTDC-2002 (Istanbul, Turkey):** Secretary to the Working Group on the Programme for the Least Developed Countries

**WTDC-2006 (Doha, Qatar):** Secretary to the Working Group of Plenary declaration and strategic plan

**WTDC-2010 (Hyderabad, India):** Secretary to Committee 4 on Regional initiatives and projects

**WTDC-2014 (Dubai, UAE):** Secretary to Plenary and Committee 1(Steering Committee)

**WTDC-2017 (Buenos-Aires, Argentina):** Secretary, Working Group of Plenary on declaration and strategic plan

Cosmas Zavazava has been passionately designing and implementing global ICT projects for both sustainable development and disaster management. He has a track record of being a high-level multilateral negotiator, undertaking successful resource mobilization, and publishing. He has written on the role of ICT in addressing the unique needs of least developed countries, landlocked developing countries, Small Island Developing States, and matters concerning developing countries in general. He has also written on disaster risk reduction and management, climate change adaptation and e-waste management. He is passionate about innovation. He launched a groundbreaking project on the use of big data to mitigate the impact of the Ebola disease, and epidemics in general. He also launched a project on the use of big data for official statistics.

He holds a Ph. D in multilateral trade (Switzerland), Master of Laws in Telecommunications and Information Technology Law (United Kingdom), Master's in international Relations (USA), Master's in Business Administration (Zimbabwe), Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration (USA), and Diplomas in Telecommunications and Systems Engineering (Romania and Japan).



**Ms. Roxanne McElvane Webber, Esq. Deputy Chief, Global Strategy & Negotiation Division, FCC International Bureau & Chair, ITU Telecommunication Development Advisory Group (TDAG)**

Roxanne helps oversee her Division's three Branches (Multilateral & Regional Affairs, Cross Border & Treaty Compliance, and International Radiocommunications) and contributes to FCC positions in multilateral and bilateral engagements and negotiations. Roxanne has also served as Legal Advisor (wireline issues) for one FCC Commissioner and two FCC Bureau Chiefs. She is licensed to practice law in Washington, D.C., New York, and before the United States Supreme Court.

Roxanne has worked with five of the six Directors who have led the BDT since it was constituted, is the first woman to lead an ITU Sector Advisory Group, and was the first woman to lead an ITU-D Study Group. As TDAG Chair, she shepherded the group through to its outcomes on WTDC preparations, the draft WTDC-22 Declaration, WTDC-22 Action Plan and D Sector Strategic Plan, the ITU-D study questions, and the BDT Thematic Priorities. Roxanne served as a member of the ITU-D Study Group's Joint Management Team, and led Study Group 1 (enabling environment, cybersecurity, ICT applications, and Internet-related issues) for 2 terms.

Roxanne received her Juris Doctor Degree from the Howard University School of Law, and her Bachelor of Science Degree from the American University, both located in Washington, D.C., her hometown.