6TH MEETING OF THE GROUP ON CAPACITY BUILDING INTIATIVES (GCBI)

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Introduction

1. The Group on Capacity Building Initiatives (GCBI) held its 6th meeting in Geneva to discuss capacity building work since the last GCBI meeting held in Geneva in 2017. The meeting discussed topics to be considered by the group in the future, considered the outcomes of WTDC-2017, and discussed the review of the Operational Processes and Procedures (OPP) document for the ITU Centres of Excellence (CoEs).

2. The meeting was chaired by Mr Santiago Reyes-Borda.

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17.   It is important to have strong stakeholder engagement and feedback of technology users beyond policy makers and regulators to analyze capacity building needs and priorities.

18.   Digital transformation and the digital economy should be the main focus of training workers for the future labour market. Topics to be delivered should include, among others, broadband, AI, big data analytics and data science, IoT, cloud computing, QoS and cybersecurity, taking into account other topics that keep emerging due to the proliferation of technologies.

19.   It is important to take into consideration the desired impact that should be achieved through

Partnerships for delivery of training should be promoted (e.g. with academic institutions), as well as proactive engagement, coordination and feedback from stakeholders.

Next GCBI meeting

31. The next GCBI meeting will take place in early 2019. The dates and venue of the meeting will be provided at a later stage.

Report to TDAG

32. The GCBI Chair will report to TDAG on the work of this group and the outcome of this meeting.