

How to power telecom infrastructure in Yemen



Overview

This policy brief discusses short-, medium-, and long-term policy options to promote private sector investment and participation in Yemen's telecommunications and realise the sector's potential. Telecommunications are a vital pillar of Yemen's economy. The sector's contribution to economic output has been growing steadily at an average of 7% between 2015 and 2018, with a large number of jobs being directly or indirectly linked to the sector. Its impact on public finances is considerable. Yemen's telecoms landscape is often summarised as “a few mobile networks and a state-led internet project. However, Yemen scores poorly on key ICT. Part 1 of a Bridge Connect mini-series on post-conflict telecoms (spotlight on Yemen) Post-Conflict telecoms brings distinct challenges. In this mini-series we highlight what the C-level and Board of Directors should be able to do: Establish a recovery-grade decision cadence (daily, weekly. The ETC was activated in Yemen in April 2015 in response to the conflict crisis. ETC Yemen Situation Reports are issued monthly. The infrastructure of the domestic system consists of microwave radio.



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First, the sector's infrastructure is weak, outdated, and often non-operational. Only two out of the five submarine cables that could provide international connectivity to Yemen are currently functioning,

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Telecommunications in Yemen

The four mobile network providers currently present in the mobile phone market are Yemeni Omani United (YOU, previously MTN Yemen), Sabafon, Yemen Mobile, Yemen 4G, and Y (Y Telecom).

Reforming Yemen's telecommunications sector

A combination of long-standing issues and new, conflict-related challenges makes Yemen's telecommunications market one of the hardest and riskiest in the world for private

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