

# EACO 23<sup>rd</sup> CONGRESS:

## UPU PRESENTATION AT THE POSTAL CEOS ROUNDTABLE

#### THEME: STRATEGY FOR POSITIONING AND TRANSFORMING POSTAL SECTOR

#### **Summary of Presentation**

- Current Trends
- Digital Transformation of Posts
- Emerging Technologies
- Diversification Opportunities
- Growth in E-commerce
- Business Transformation Journey
- Postal Vision 2030
  - The role of various stakeholders
    - ➢ Government
    - Regulators
    - > Operators
    - > Other Stakeholders

## 1. Current Trends

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- New Technologies
  - Changing postal landscape
  - Catalysts to help postal organisations re-invent themselves
  - Digital Transformation and Diversification of Postal Services
    - Digital Disruption
    - Diversification opportunities
- Emerging Technologies
- Growth in E-commerce

## 2. Digital Transformation and Diversification of Postal Services

- Postal organisations to transforminto Digital Organisations, in order to embrace opportunities created by new technologies, digital disruption and growth in e-commerce
- Digitisation of Customer experience
- Digitisation of Business Processes, and
- Digitisation of Resources (Data is a new asset)
- Provision of e-services e.g. e-government services, e-commerce etc,.

## 3. Emerging Technologies

- Big Data
- Internet of Things
- Drones
- Robotics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Cloud Computing
- Autonomous Vehicles

## 4. Business Model Transformation Journey





- Defend the core businessProvide new customer experies
- Provide new customer experiencesDiversify into new services
- Develop new delivery channels

## 5. Business Strategies

- Embrace new technologies
- Growth in Parcels
- Diversify Selectively
- Foster Partnerships
- Embrace Technologies of the Fourth Industrial Revolution
- Customer- Centric
- Make use of the Big Data
- Improve Operational Efficiency

## 6. Postal Vision 2030

#### **Overview of Global Direction and Role of Various Stakeholders**

- Governments
- Regulators
- Operators, and
- Other Stakeholders

#### 6.1 Role of Government

- Governments should decrease gaps in postal development, through:
  - Increased investments
  - Focused policies
  - Promote utilisation of postal network for socio-economic development.

#### 6.2 Role of Regulators

- Harmonisation of the Regulatory Framework
- Regulators should harmonise and enhance the postal sector's regulatory framework
- Avoid regulatory silos, through collaboration with other regulators
- Develop a new definition of universal service
- Creation and management of the Universal Service Fund
- Consider licensing of private sector players and other external actors, to support investments within the postal sector

## 6.3 Role of Operators

- Postal Operators should seek to enhance their performance by implementing diversified strategies and operational improvements
- Staff training to support the Digital Transformation of Post
- Capitalise on the growth in e-commerce
- Increased self-reliance and reduced dependency on the fiscus
- Embrace the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution (artificial intelligence, robotics, etc.)
- Benchmark operations with other market participants and explore partnerships
- Demonstrate clear ROI to shareholders (government)

## 6.4 Integrating with Other Stakeholders

- Postal sector to integrate with other stakeholders from the private sector and public sector, through:
  - Opening up of the market
  - Fostering partnershipsand enhancing the role of UPU
- Private sector participation
  - Technological and infrastructural developments
  - Provision of Universal Postal Service
- Foster win-win partnerships between postal sector and other players in the market

## 7 Conclusion

- The postal landscape is changing
- Digital Transformation and Diversification of Postal Services is key
- Business Models to focus on changing customer needs and new requirements in the digitaleconomy