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THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES, HON. MONDLI GUNGUBELE LEADS THE SOUTH AFRICAN DELEGATION TO THE 2023 SESSION OF THE ITU COUNCIL HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

The Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies, Mr Mondli Gungubele, is leading the ICT industry delegation to the 2023 session of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Council High-Level Segment to be held in Switzerland, Geneva from 11 to 12 July 2023. South Africa is a member state of the ITU Council.

The Council meets on annual basis in-between plenipotentiary conferences to ensure that the Union's activities, policies, and strategies fully respond to the rapidly evolving telecommunications environment. This year's Council meeting is held under the theme *"Creating a fit for the future ITU."*

"We are in a quest to ensure that no one is left behind when we transform our society and fight the triple challenges of poverty, inequality, and unemployment. The development of a dynamic and connected information society is key in building a vibrant knowledge economy that is inclusive and prosperous." says Minister Gungubele.

The Minister will participate in various activities and have several bilateral meetings with representatives of various states as a way of strengthening relations and sharing objectives.

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