

STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2027

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON



Dr. GATARE IGNACEChairperson

On behalf of the Regulatory Board, Management and Staff of Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA), I have the pleasure to submit RURA's 5 Year Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2022 – 2027. It outlines how RURA intends to accomplish its mandate of regulating the public utilities that falls under its purview.

This strategic plan is in line with national programs and policies such as the National Strategy for Transformation (NST1) and Rwanda's Vision 2050. As part of this process, RURA also ensured alignment with certain regional and international strategy documents that are relevant to the sectors regulated.

RURA has also redefined the vision as; "To be globally recognized as an effective regulator of public utilities", reinforced with a more relevant and simple mission and set of values that are highly pertinent to the fulfillment of RURA's regulatory role.

We believe this Strategic Plan will enable the Authority to effectively respond to the needs, opportunities, and challenges within all sectors and I would like to emphasize that RURA is fully committed to successfully implementing this comprehensive plan.

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank everyone that were involved in the strategy formulation process and compilation of this strategic plan.

Dr. Gatare Ignace

Chairperson

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL



Dr. ERNEST NSABIMANADirector General

RURA's Strategic Plan for the period of 2022-2027 is the outcome of a long and comprehensive process, encompassing a comprehensive diagnosis engaging both internal and external stakeholders supplemented with international sector specialists and sector research.

Based on the above, RURA has identified nine (9) goals that will be crucial to execute its mandate.

Goal 1: Develop a fully-fledged R&D Function – with the capabilities to continuously scan the sector environments and its dynamics, experiment, and roll-out innovative regulatory responses (including data-driven and high-tech interventions), share knowledge and learnings via thought leadership initiatives.

Goal 2: Ensure that Rwanda's regulatory framework for the sectors regulated by RURA are comprehensive, conducive and updated. Thereby enabling high quality service provisions and contributing towards national development (including enabling investments into the sectors).

Goal 3: Ensure 100% of the service providers (i.e., all those who should be licensed) are identified, tracked and licensed – enabled by service quality and digital efficiencies.

Goal 4: Ensure 100% compliance (thereby minimizing the need for enforcement) – enabled by service quality and digital efficiencies.

Goal 5: Ensure availability, affordability and accessibility to ICT, Energy, Water & Sanitation and Transport services via the functions that RURA manages (ensuring Consumer Education, Protection and Safety). This also includes RURA's role to supplement national efforts to develop and advance these critical sectors

Goal 6: Develop and execute a comprehensive framework to measure the impact of RURA's contribution to the National Goals – based on which take corrective action.

Goal 7: Develop a future-ready organization to meet the opportunities and challenges in the sectors – via Organizational Structure, Capacity, Competencies, Processes & Systems.

Goal 8: Improve service and operational efficiency via digitizing RURA's key internal and external processes / interfaces.

Goal 9: Ensure RURA continues to be financially self-sufficient – considering additional funding required to meet RURA's Strategic Pursuits, possible impact on revenues (due to sector dynamics) and therefore optimizing international development funding

In order to achieve the organizational goals formulated, a total of seventeen (17) Strategic Initiatives were developed supported by a comprehensive Implementation Plan / M&E Framework which has been further broken down into milestones and detailed actions for ease of implementation. Moreover, in order to assist the evaluation of the Strategic Initiatives progress, KPIs have also been assigned to each Initiative.

As a result, RURA Management is fully committed to implementing this Strategic Plan with the aim of achieving a quantum leap of performance of RURA as a regulatory entity and more importantly as an enabler of development in Rwanda.

Dr. Ernest Nsabimana

Director General

ABBREVIATIONS

ATU-UAT – African Telecommunications Union

CLMS - Converged Licensing Management System

CSOs – Civil Society Organizations

DG – Director General

EACO - East African Communications Organisation

EDCL - Energy Development Corporation Limited

EICV5 - Integrated Household Living Conditions Survey 5

EICV6 - Integrated Household Living Conditions Survey 6

EREA - Energy Regulatory Association of East Africa

EUCL - Energy Utility Corporation Limited

GM – General Manager

GSMA - GSM Association

ICT – Information Communication Technology

ICT SSP – ICT Sector Strategic Plan

IDD - International Direct Dialing

IPOSITA - Rwanda Post Office

IPPs - Independent Power Producers

ITC - International Trade Centre

ITU - International Telecommunication Union

KPIs – Key Performance Indicators

LPG - Liquefied Petroleum Gas

MC - Management Committee

M&E – Monitoring & Evaluation

MINICT – Ministry of ICT, Rwanda

MOU – Memorandum of Understanding

NCSA - National Cyber Security Authority

NST1 - National Strategy for Transformation

PAPU - Pan African Postal Union

PEST – Political, Economic, Social and Technological

PPP - Public Private Partnership

QMS – Quality Management System

R&D – Research & Development

RAEB - Rwanda Atomic Energy Board

RBA – Rwanda Broadcasting Agency

REG – Rwanda Energy Group

REMA - Rwanda Environment Management Authority

RGB – Rwanda Governance Board

RICA - Rwanda Inspectorate, Competition, and Consumer Protection Authority

RISA - Rwanda Information Society Authority

RMB - Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board

RMC - Rwanda Media Commission

RSA – Rwanda Space Agency

RSB – Rwanda Standards Board

RURA – Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority

RWB - Rwanda Water Resources Board

SDGs – Sustainable Development Goals

SME – Small & Medium Enterprises

SWOT – Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats

UAF – Universal Access Fund

UN – United Nations

UNDP – United Nation Development Program

UPU - Universal Postal Union

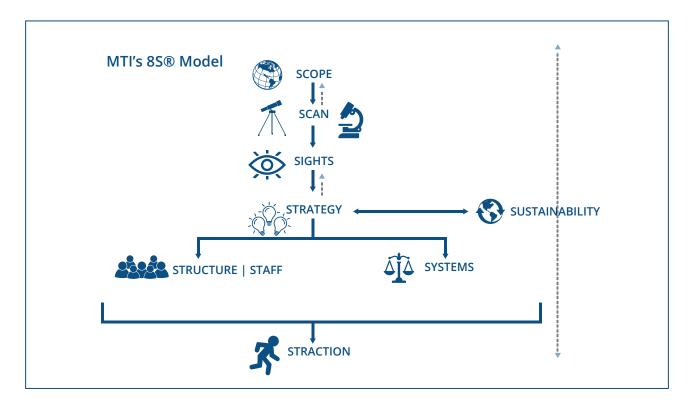
WASAC - Water and Sanitation Corporation Ltd.

WTO – World Trade Organization

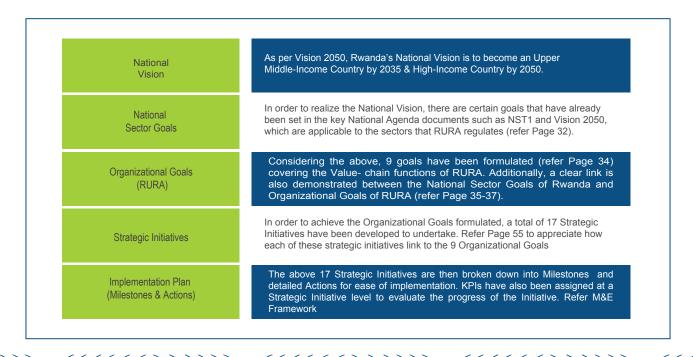
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA) is a multi-sectoral regulator that is responsible to regulate the following public utilities in Rwanda;
 - Telecommunications, information technology, broadcasting and converging electronic technologies including the internet and any other audiovisual information and communication technology
 - Postal services
 - Renewable and non-renewable energy, industrial gases, pipelines and storage facilities
 - Water
 - Sanitation
 - Transport of persons and goods
 - Nuclear & Radiation Protection
- As the regulator of some of the most highly dynamic sectors, RURA is playing a key role
 in enabling Rwanda's Development and realizing Rwanda's Vision 2050 as a timely and
 strong regulatory framework geared towards growth is paramount for any nation's development.
- In this backdrop and with the existing Strategic Plan of RURA coming to an end, RURA undertook the development of the 5 Year Strategic Plan for the period of 2022 to 2027.
 This Strategic Plan utilized four key methodologies;
 - 1. RURA Staff Inputs and Interviews covering all the internal departments, units and functions of RURA. This includes, the leadership, all the sectors, core functions and supporting functions. These interviews were supplemented by relevant staff inputs and information.
 - 2. Stakeholder Interviews covering some of the key external stakeholders of RURA. This includes, line and linked ministries, government institutions, service providers / operators, international / regional organizations and consumer groups. Refer *Appendix 5* for the full list.
 - 3. Desk Research & Analytics covering, Rwanda's national plans, domain / sector research, RURA's financial statements and RURA's previous strategic plan and achievements.

- 4. Sector Expertise 12 international domain specialists were brought into this project via the consultant. All of them were involved in direct client interface and provided expertise and insights to the consultant.
- This Strategic Plan was developed based on MTI's 8S® Model which is a proprietary model of the consultant (MTI Consulting).



Presented below is a high-level summary of the conceptual framework upon which this Strategic Plan was developed.



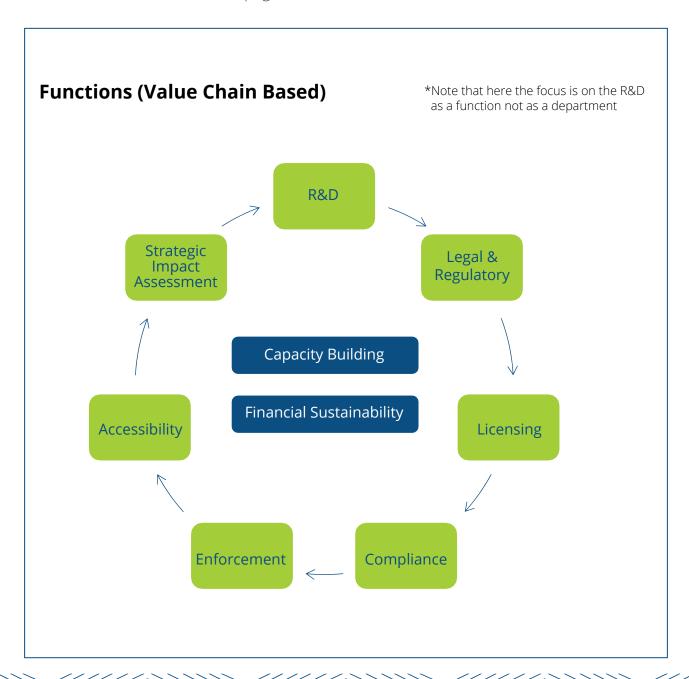
SCOPE

- · The intent of this module is:
 - To define the organizational scope of RURA considering the sectors it needs to regulate and the key functions it needs to perform.
 - To review the current Mission Statement of RURA.

1.1 Organizational Scope

• The organizational scope for this 5-year strategic plan has been defined on two dimensions i.e., Functions and Sectors.

The functions are diagrammatically illustrated below, based on the concept of a value chain based circular flow. Refer next page for an overview of each function.



Sectors (Regulated by RURA)



RURA's Value Chain based Functions

RURA's Value Chain based concept for functions brings in the clarity and alignment required to achieve its mandate and mission.

As demonstrated in *Functions (Value Chain based) Model* in the previous page, the concept takes a circular flow covering RURA's key functions from R&D to Strategic Impact Assessment while Capacity Building and Financial Sustainability, at the core, are considered key enablers.

Below is an overview of each Value Chain Function:

Value Chain Function	Overview	
Research & Development (R&D)	R&D function will ensure RURA (in its role as a regulator) is up to date in the areas of public utilities regulation, emerging technologies, developments in the sectors it regulates, and is able to disseminate timely thought leadership communications.	
Legal & Regulatory	Via this function, RURA is able to initiate or influence the development of sound Policies and Laws enabling Rwanda's development - based on which RURA will draft regulations, guidelines and set tariffs that are in line with those Policies and Laws.	
Licensing	Licensing function will enable the timely licensing of service providers for the sectors it regulates (including any modifications to the existing licensing framework or development of new frameworks when the need arises).	
Compliance	Compliance function will ensure that all service providers comply with the regulations / guidelines / obligations with regards to licensing and service provisions via regular monitoring and inspections. Furthermore, this function will also be responsible for resolving any disputes that may arise with service providers.	
Enforcement	This function will ensure that appropriate actions are enforced against service providers that do not comply with the regulations / guidelines / obligations regarding to licensing and service provisions.	
Accessibility	RURA as a regulator plays a pivotal role in ensuring the services offered by the service providers (in the sectors it regulates) are accessible to the public. This will be accomplished for an example, via consumer awareness and signature initiatives such as the Universal Access Fund (UAF).	
Strategic Impact Assessment	Strategic Impact Assessment will allow RURA to continuously assess the effectiveness of the initiatives / operations carried out in the 6 functions above making sure RURA is contributing to the National Vision & Goals and capture learnings, challenges, opportunities to improve its operations.	
Capacity Building	Having the right people, processes, systems, and funding will be crucial to enable the performance of the functions above.	
Financial Sustainability		

Key Functions

Key nablers



1.2 Organizational Scope



OUR VISION

✓ To be globally recognized as an effective regulator of public utilities



OUR MISSION

- ✓ We enable the regulatory, licensing, compliance, enforcement, and accessibility of public utilities in Rwanda.
- **✓** Thereby:
 - Enabling the availability and affordability of quality services to the public;
 - Protecting the rights of the consumers and balancing the interests of all the stakeholders;
 - Ensuring safety and security of all residents against possible threats caused by the regulated sectors that fall within the purview of RURA
 - O Being a trustworthy and transparent enabler of service provisions Promoting free and fair competition; and
 - O Contributing to the socio-economic development of Rwanda.



OUR VALUES

- ✓ The Authority upholds the following core values:
 - o Independence
 - o Transparency and Accountability
 - Fairness
 - Integrity
 - Collaboration
 - o Data-Driven
 - Innovation
 - Sustainability

OUR MOTTO

Inspiring Development

2 SCAN

• The intent of this module is to scan the operating environment in which RURA operates. Based on this scan, RURA can assess its ability (i.e. strengths and weaknesses) to respond to the opportunities and challenges in the external environment.

2.1 National Expectations

What are the implications of and expectations from RURA arising from Rwanda Vision 2050, NST 1 and the SDGs?

2.2 Macro Environmental Scan

What are the PEST aspects that has an impact on RURA's performance?

2.3 Sector Environmental Scan

For each of the sectors that RURA regulates, what are the opportunities and challenges – that RURA needs to study and respond to?

2.4 Stakeholder Scan

Who are the key stakeholders in RURA's operating eco-system and what are their expectations from RURA?

2.5 Internal Organizational Scan

How are RURA's Sights, Strategy, Structure-Staff, Straction and Financials (as per MTI's 8S ® Model) geared to meet the opportunities and challenges in the external environment?

2.6 Last Strategic Plan

How effective was / is RURA's last strategic plan? – in terms of the documentation and the achievement of the stated objectives and initiatives

Implication of the Scans (above)

For each of the points in the 6 Scans above, RURA has asked the question 'So what?' – which means how does this impact RURA?

Each of these 'So What?' points have then been transferred to the relevant modules of MTI's 8S ® Model – so that each of these can be contextually considered and for responses to be developed in each module.

2.1 National Expectations

• What are the implications of and expectations from RURA arising from Rwanda's Vision 2050, NST1 and the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)?

	Relevant Source	Area of Impact for RURA	
Considerations for RURA	(NST1 / Vi- sion 2050 / SDG)	Sector	Value Chain Function
Promote research and development to fast-track Rwanda's economic transformation	NST1	All sectors	R&D
Achieve high standards/ quality services and customer care across public and private sectors	NST1	All sectors	Compliance
Ensure 100% Government services are delivered online by 2024	NST1	All sectors	All functions
Rwanda is targeting to belong to the top ten countries in doing business in 2035	Vision 2050	All sectors	Legal & Regulatory
Support domestic technology development, research and innovation in developing countries, including by ensuring a conducive policy environment for inter alia, industrial diversification and value addition to commodities	SDG	All sectors	Legal & Regulatory
Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development	SDG	All sectors	Legal & Regulatory
Reduce the cost of doing business and facilitate trade	NST1	All sectors	Accessibility
Promote industrialization and attain a structural shift in the export base to high-value goods and services with the aim of growing exports by 17% annually	NST1	All sectors	All functions
Access to electricity will be scaled up to all from 34.4% (EICV5) to 100% by 2024	NST1 / Vision 2050	Energy	Accessibility
Promote use of alternative fuels such as cooking gas and biogas	NST1	Energy	Accessibility
Tariffs will be kept affordable by developing long term least cost power generation plans	Vision 2050	Energy	Legal & Regulatory
Continued emphasis on clean and renewable energy as a source of generation with at least 60% of installed capacity in this category	Vision 2050	Energy	R&D
By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services	SDG	Energy	Accessibility
By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix	SDG	Energy	R&D
Generation capacity increased to ensure that all demand is met and a 15% reserve margin is maintained	NST1 / Energy SSP	Energy	Accessibility
Petroleum strategic reserves increased to cover three months' supply.	NST1 / Energy SSP	Energy	Accessibility

	Relevant Source	Area of Impact for RURA		
Considerations for RURA (Cont'd)	(NST1 / Vi- sion 2050 / SDG)	Sector	Value Chain Function	
Capacity building for experts within the framework of the national nuclear energy program of the Republic of Rwanda	IGA on CST, 2019	Nuclear and Radiation	Capacity Building / Accessibility	
Rwanda to acquire 2 more cancer centers with nuclear/radiation diagnostic & treatment technologies by 2024	RNCC Plan 2020- 2024	Nuclear and Radiation	Accessibility	
Accelerate niche emerging sectors, such as nanotech, biotech, block chain technology or Al	Vision 2050	ICT	R&D	
Rwanda to differentiate itself as the "proof-of-concept" country	Vision 2050	ICT	Legal & Regulatory	
Position Rwanda as Africa's leading ICT hub by 2024	NST1 / ICT SSP	ICT	Legal & Regulatory	
80% internet penetration by 2024	NST1 / ICT SSP	ICT	Accessibility	
Digital literacy for all youth (16-30 years) by 2024	NST1	ICT	Accessibility	
Rwanda will ensure digital literacy for all by 2035	Vision 2050	ICT	Accessibility	
Enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular ICT, to promote the empowerment of women	SDG	ICT	Accessibility	
Significantly increase access to ICT and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the internet in least developed countries by 2020	SDG	ICT	Accessibility	
Rwanda's cyber space and information assets secured	NST1 / ICT SSP	ICT	Legal & Regulatory	
Vibrant, competitive, and innovative ICT private sector established	NST1 / ICT SSP	ICT	Legal & Regulatory	
Vibrant smart cities sustained	NST1 / ICT SSP	ICT	Legal & Regulatory	
30% of business/companies will participate in e-commerce by 2024	NST1 / ICT SSP	Postal & E- com	Licensing	
Improve accessibility to broadcasting contents through government led development of promoting the broadcasting industry	NST1 / ICT SSP	Media & Broadcast- ing	Accessibility	
By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all	SDG	Water	Accessibility	
Access to water will be scaled up to all from 87.4% (EICV5) to 100% by 2024	NST1 / Vision 2050	Water	Accessibility	
Access to sanitation will be scaled up to all from 86% (Est. 2016) to 100%	NST1 / Vision 2050	Sanitation	Accessibility	
By 2030, substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse	SDG	Sanitation	Legal & Regulatory	
By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all	SDG	Sanitation	Accessibility	

	Relevant Source	Area of Im	pact for RURA
Considerations for RURA (Cont'd)	(NST1 / Vision 2050 / SDG)	Sector	Value Chain Function
Improve rural and urban transportation services – avg. waiting time in the City of Kigali for buses during peak hours will be reduced from 30 minutes (2016/17) to 15 minutes by 2023/24	NST1	Transport	All functions
Proportion of population conveying with public transportation to be 24% by 2035 and 40% by 2050	Vision 2050	Transport	Accessibility
Develop maritime transport on Lake Kivu, River Akagera and other water bodies	Vision 2050	Transport	R&D
By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible, and sustainable transport systems for all	SDG	Transport	Accessibility
Advocate on the removal of trade barriers for free movement of goods, services, and capital.	NST1 / Vision 2050	Transport	Legal & Regulatory
Convenient public transport will be accessible at least within 500m radius or less	Vision 2050	Transport	Accessibility

2.2 Macro Environmental Scan

• What are the Political, Economic, Social and Technological aspects that has an impact on RURA's performance?

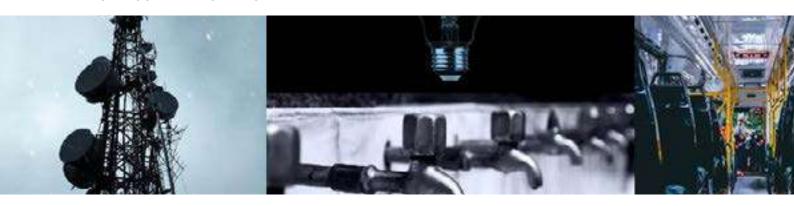
	Political	Economic	Social	Technological
Relevant Points arising from 2.1 National Ex- pectations	 Advocate on the removal of trade barriers for free movement of goods, services, and capital. Rwanda is targeting to belong to the top ten countries in doing business in 2035. Rwanda to differentiate itself as the "proof-of-concept" country. Tariffs will be kept affordable by developing long term least cost power generation plans. 	Promote research and development to fast- track Rwanda's economic transformation.	 Access to electricity will be scaled up to all from 34.4% (EICV5) to 100% by 2024. Access to water will be scaled up to all from 87.4% (EICV5) to 100% by 2024. Access to sanitation and hygiene will be scaled up to all from 86.2% (EICV5) to 100%. Digital literacy for all youth (16- 30 years) by 2024. Convenient public transport will be accessible at least within 500m radius or less. 	 Rwanda to differentiate itself as the "proof-of-concept" country. Accelerate niche emerging sectors, such as nanotech, biotech, blockchain technology or Al. Ensure 100% Government services are delivered online by 2024.
Considerations outside the above	 Political will and stability have been a key enabler of development in Rwanda. Global recognition for 'Brand Rwanda'. Ongoing integration and policy harmonization efforts within the region As evident from '2.4 Stakeholder Scan' – RURA needs to collaborate with several other Government Institutions whose roles may be overlapping with RURA. 	 Continued advancements in ICT capabilities making Rwanda attractive to potential investors. Government commitments for rapid economic transformation is demonstrated in national plans such as Vision 2050 / NST. Cost and reliable supply of electricity combined with Rwanda's landlocked nature poses a major challenge. COVID-19 has impacted the economic performance of Rwanda and that has manifested in most of the sectors that RURA regulates. 	 Commendable achievements in gein Rwanda being the Best Place to Globally. Digital literacy in Rwanda currently major bottlenecks include affordal net, and electricity. Skilled and competent resource porcially for science & technology. COVID-19 has led to an increase in industries – due to the inability to ping, schooling, office attendance of the school of the inability to ping. 	o be a Woman in Africa and 9th stands below 10%, a few bility of smart devices, interpool remains a challenge, espenic ICT usage – across multiple carry out in person shop-

2.3 Sector Environmental Scan

- Under this module, RURA studied the full suite of sectors and sub- sectors that fall under its mandate to regulate.
- Based on above, an overview is presented for each sector covering;
 - Key sector indicators / highlights at a national level
 - Existing regulatory framework
 - Type of players in the sector
 - Key opportunities and challenges that RURA needs to study and respond
- Below is the sector classification followed for the scan in Page 18 31;



Refer Appendix 1 for Key Sector Achievements (2017 - 2020)



ICT (TELECOM, IT SERVICES, CYBERSECURITY AND INNOVATION)

Sector Highlights

- **84.1%** Mobile Phone Penetration
- <20% Smart Phone Penetration
- **10.8** million Mobile Connections
- **62.9%** Internet Penetration
- **38** Licensed Service Providers

Sources: RURA and MINICT

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Mobile Telecom Operators (2)
- Internet Service Providers (24)
- Network Capacity Resellers (1)
- Wholesale Network Service Providers (1)
- Network Facility Providers (2)
- Application Service Providers (4)
- E-waste management Licensee (3)
- Satellite network filing Operator (1)

Regulatory Framework

- Law N°24/2016 of 18/06/2016 governing Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)
- Regulation on Importation and type approval of Electronic Communication Equipment
- Regulation governing Radio Frequency Management
- Regulations governing the quality of service of Cellular mobile network services
- Regulations governing E-waste management in Rwanda
- Regulations governing Cybersecurity
- Guidelines on short-range devices
- Guidelines on requirements for Indoor Building Solution (IBS)- Distributed Antenna System Installation.

Opportunities

- The political will to develop the ICT sector with strong and consistent National ICT policies and institutions such as RISA, MINICT, RURA, etc.
- Rwanda's focus on e-government, accelerating the digitization of government services.

Challenges

- Lack of skilled human resources limiting the level of research to be conducted to develop regulatory instruments (including cybersecurity aspects) needed for emerging technologies.
- Limited industry-based research and analysis carried out by RURA.
- Rwanda is one of the very few countries globally that consider the telecom and ICT sector as being a common utility hence its regulation falls under a generic converged utility regulator.
- Although the model has its benefits, one of the key issues include its inability to
 effectively regulate the sector given that telecom/ICT's pace of development outperforms other utility sectors.
- Requirement of advanced ICT infrastructures within RURA to ensure the supply of reliable information which will be critical for compliance and enforcement quality.
- Low digital literacy rate (standing currently below 10%) combined with low smart phone penetration (<20%) and high cost of electricity limits the access / usage of digital services.
- Rwanda, with the help of its National Broadband Planning, has been able to bring down the cost of internet significantly. However, it is still considered expensive.

POSTAL, COURIER & E-COMMERCE

Sector Highlights

- **15** National Post Office Branches
- **7000** P.O. Boxes
- **62.9%** Market Share held by International Courier License holders
- **24** licensed Service Providers

Sources: RURA and IPOSITA

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Intra City & Domestic Courier Operators (9)
- Inbound Courier Operators (1)
- International Courier (6)
- International Inbound Courier Operators (2)
- Public Postal Operator (1)
- Regional Courier (3)

Regulatory Framework

- Pursuant to the Law n° 09/2013 of 01/03/2013 establishing RURA and determining its mission, powers, organization, and functioning, in its article 2 specifies that Postal Sector is among the sectors to be regulated by RURA.
- Regulation governing Postal and Courier Services in Rwanda.

Opportunities

- Globally, postal operators are diversifying into non-mail segments such as logistics, freight, parcels and financial services due to poor business prospects in traditional mail.
- Ecommerce driven demand for small packages delivery
- Benefits of digital addressing for last mile delivery services.
- Already established postal networks are making postal operators an attractive complementary for parcel deliveries / international operators

Challenges

- Continued decline of traditional mail such as letter posts, due to instant communication technologies (this is further accelerated by COVID-19 induced pressure).
- Profitability concerns among industry participants.
- COVID-19 induced travel restrictions have caused delivery delays due to labor shortages and disruptions to air transport routes.
- Given that the Postal sector is betting on Ecommerce growth in digital literacy will be paramount. Presently, digital literacy rate is below 10%.

MEDIA & BROADCASTING

Sector Highlights

- **84.1%** Mobile Phone Penetration
- <20% Smart Phone Penetration
- **73.2%** Literacy Rate <10% Digital Literacy
- **320,198** Registered PayTV Subscribers. Only 65,251 (~30%) are Active Subscribers
- **110** Licensed Operators

Sources: RURA, MINICT and RGB

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Signal Distributors (1)
- Pay TV Operators (4)
- FM Radio Stations (30)
- Television Stations (18)
- Online Media Houses (23)
- Print Media Houses (31)
- International Media Houses (3)

Regulatory Framework

- Pursuant to the Law n° 09/2013 of 01/03/2013 establishing RURA and determining its mission, powers, organization, and functioning, in its article 2 specifies that Media is among the sectors to be regulated by RURA.
- Regulations governing licensing of Multimedia Services provision in Rwanda.
- Regulations governing Broadcasting services
- Regulations governing satellite subscriptions TV services

Challenges

- Regulation of digital media remains a challenge.
- There is still a gap on the 'right to information' according to RGB's Media Barometer (2018) indicated by journalists, CSOs and the business community.
- Profitability in the media sector remains a challenge.
- This situation is further worsened by the ongoing pandemic pressuring businesses to cutdown on expenses such as advertising which will continue to adversely impact media operators.
- Lack of advance systems for compliance monitoring.
- Poor enforcement of Copyright / Intellectual Property laws, as a result, discouraging artists and the creative community to showcase / monetize their work.
- Digital literacy remains low affecting consumption of content.

ELECTRICITY & RENEWABLE ENERGY

Sector Highlights

- **67.1%** Cumulative Connectivity Rate
- **872,646** MWh Total Electricity Generation (2020)
- **96.5%** Domestically Generated and via Regional Shared Plants
- 3.5% Imported
- **52%** of the Energy Mix is Hydro, followed by Methane Gas (24.5%)
- **34** Electricity Generation License Holders
- 90 Practitioners with valid Electrical Installation Permits

Sources: RURA and REG

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Generation IPPs (34)
- Transmission (1)
- Distribution (1)
- Domestic Trade (1)
- International trade (1)
- Accredited Electrical Practitioners (90)

Regulatory Framework

- Law N°52/2018 of 13/08/2018 Modifying Law N°21/2011 of 23/06/2011 Governing Electricity in Rwanda as Modified to Date
- Regulations governing the Simplified Electricity Licensing Framework for Rural Electrification in Rwanda
- Electricity Safety Regulations
- Electricity Installation Regulations
- Electricity Licensing Regulations
- Electricity Quality of Service Regulations
- Right of Way Guidelines for Power Lines
- Minimum Technical Requirements Guidelines for Mini grids in Rwanda
- Guidelines promoting Energy Efficiency Measures

Opportunities

- Shifting energy mix Countries are diversifying into more sustainable / environment friendly solutions including non-hydro renewables and natural gas.
- Ambitious national plans to have universal access to electricity by 2024.

Challenges

- Inadequate access to reliable data leading to poor planning presently the data is scattered hence need integration.
- Ageing infrastructure also remains a challenge and leading to inefficiencies
- Outdated electricity law
- Insufficient investments to initiate electricity transmission and distribution projects
- Excess electricity supply compared to demand.
- Rwanda's electricity tariffs are among the highest in the region and are non-cost reflective.
- Low electrification, especially in rural areas. Low usage also remains a concern.
- Low rate of access to modern / cleaner energy sources (high usage of biomass).

DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM & GAS

Sector Highlights

Downstream Petroleum

- 100% of Petroleum Products requirements are imported
- **17%** of Total National Imports
- **72** Million liters of Storage Capacity
- 23 Million liters consumed per month

Gas

- **24.5%** of the Energy Mix is Methane Gas, only 2nd to Hydro (52%)
- 55 billion cubic meters (est.) of Methane Gas reserves in Lake Kivu
- 700MW of estimated output Lake Kivu is equally shared between Rwanda and DRC
- **10,000** tonnes of LPG is consumed annually
- 77.7% of households use Firewood as cooking fuel and only 4.2% use Gas

Sources: RURA, REG, EICV6, MINFRA and WTO

Regulatory Target Market

- Importers
- Wholesalers

Retailers (e.g., Petrol Service Stations)

Regulatory Framework

- Law N°85/2013 Of 11/9/2013 Regulating Petroleum and Petroleum Products Trade in Rwanda
- Prime Minister's Order determining RURA as regulatory authority for trade of petroleum, petroleum products and its additional responsibilities
- Regulations governing Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG)
- Regulation governing for fuel depots and importation
- Regulation governing road transportation of petroleum products
- Regulations governing for Petrol Service Stations

Law n° 09/2013 of 01/03/2013 establishing RURA and determining its mission, powers, organization and functioning

Opportunities

- Government commitment to reduce biomass consumption from 79% (2017) to 42% by 2024 via alternatives.
- Given that Methane Gas is a unique resource to Rwanda, the govt. will further prioritize its usage for electricity production
- Shift towards low carbon solutions globally hence emphasizing the need for alternative sources such as hydrogen fuel and bioenergy.
- Increasing demand from both industries and consumers shift from biomass to LPG.

Challenges

- Price volatility and shocks are a cause of concern due to Rwanda's dependency on imports
- Inadequate access to reliable data leading to poor planning / monitoring.
- Limited staff for compliance monitoring
- Affordability of LPG remains a challenge.
- COVID-19 induced travel pressure could also slow down importation

WATER & SANITATION

Sector Highlights

- **89.2%** of households are using an improved drinking water source at national level
- 94.6% of rural water supply is managed by operators under PPP contracts
- Urban Water Supply is managed by WASAC
- 66 Licensed Operators in the water sector
- **89.6%** of households are using improved sanitation at national level
- **256** Licensed Operators in the sanitation sector
- Kigali is the cleanest city in Africa

Sources: RURA and EICV6

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Simple water supplier scheme operators (63)
- Urban water utility (1)
- Bulk water production (1)
- Complex rural water supply system (1)
- Solid waste collection and transportation service providers (2)
- Waster-water treatment service providers
- Cleaning services operators (199)

Regulatory Framework

- Law n° 09/2013 of 01/03/2013 establishing RURA and determining its mission, powers, organization and functioning
- Regulations governing Water Supply Services in Rwanda
- Regulations governing Decentralized Wastewater Treatment Systems
- Regulations governing Cleaning Service Provision
- Regulations governing the Provision of Services of Hazardous Waste Management
- Regulations governing Liquid Waste Collection and Transportation

Opportunities

- Rising demand for Water to fulfill economic activities.
- Possible extension of WASAC's mandate and role in sanitation could improve integration and coordination.
- Government commitment to achieving universal access to clean water services and sanitation.

Challenges

- Urbanization and changing climate creating new barriers to service provisions
- Inadequate access to reliable data leading to poor planning / monitoring
- Absence of Laws for Water & Sanitation
- Lack of water resources and depletion of existing water resources, resulting in high costs of service provision.
- Gaps in human resource capacity in areas of planning, project management and operation and maintenance of water and sanitation infrastructures
- Low private sector interest to invest, due to low return on investment in the sanitation sector
- High non-revenue water (43.4%) largely due to the poor distribution infrastructure.
- Non-compliance of service providers.
- Funding constraints to upgrade existing infrastructures.
- Unclear stakeholder roles in the sanitation sector.

TRANSPORTATION (ROAD & WATERWAYS)

Sector Highlights

- 90% of goods transportation traffic and passenger travel are catered by Road Transport
- 221,000 registered vehicles consisting;
- **52%** Motorcycles and 38% Passenger Vehicles
- **187** Licensed Road Transport Operators
- **354** Licensed / Authorized Waterway Transport Operators

Sources: RURA, MINFRA and RTDA

Regulatory Target Market (no. of licensed service providers)

- Public transport companies / cooperatives (42)
- Transportation of goods companies / cooperatives (25)
- Taxi cabs companies / cooperatives (48)
- Rental cars companies / cooperatives (30)

- Driving school companies / cooperatives (42)
- Waterways operators (354)

Regulatory Framework

- Pursuant to the Law n° 09/2013 of 01/03/2013 establishing RURA and determining its mission, powers, organization and functioning, in its article 2 specifies that transportation of persons and goods is among the sectors to be regulated by RURA
- Regulations governing Public Transport Bus Services
- Regulations governing Motorcycle Public Transport Services in Rwanda
- Regulations governing Passengers Road Transport
- Code of Conduct of Public Road Transport Drivers in Rwanda
- Regulations governing waterways transport
- Regulations governing transport of goods
- Code of Conduct for Boat Drivers of Public Passenger and Cargo Boats in the Republic of Rwanda

Opportunities

- Global Trends
 - Industry wide automation via mobile ticketing and other smart applications powered by technologies such as big data to support the daily commute, optimizing vehicle dispatch, routes and schedules.
 - Introduction of multimodal solutions such as bike / scooter rentals, rideshare, shared parking spaces to complement public transit
- Digital licensing processes through the CLMS platform combined with other IT based initiatives such as smart taximeters geared towards modernizing the sector
- International developmental support to develop modern waterways infrastructure

Challenges

- Growing environmental concern as transportation is a major contributor to CO2 emissions worldwide, with road goods transport representing the largest
- It's important to note that the take up of digital licensing services are highly dependent on the digital literacy levels which is evident via the share of complaints received (80%) in the FY 2019/20.
- Limited staff for compliance monitoring, especially for Waterways Transport.
- COVID-19 induced travel restrictions could adversely impact operators.
- Passenger usage of waterways modes of transportation is considerably low largely due to limited infrastructure.

NUCLEAR & RADIATION PROTECTION

Regulatory Framework

- Law No. 59/2017 of 24/01/2018 Governing Radiation Protection in Rwanda
- Regulations governing Radiation Protection in Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology
- Regulations governing Radiation Protection in Radiotherapy in Rwanda
- Regulations governing Security of Radioactive Materials During Manufacturing, Use and Storage and of Associated Facilities in Rwanda
- General Regulation governing Radiation Safety in Rwanda

Regulatory Target Market

- Authorizations are currently issued to Nuclear material;
- Importers & exporters
- Manufacturing & storage
- Transporting
- Disposal
- Radiation Sources & generators

Opportunities

• Financial independence of RURA and International Cooperation's support to Rwanda remains an opportunity.

Challenges

- Incomplete regulatory framework.
- High investment / CAPEX, operational and maintenance costs, including the limited availability of a skilled resource pool
- Licensees need to be educated on radiation protection, however, there are no established training programs in place.
- Limited availability of required equipment (measurement/dosimetry) and services (maintenance/calibration)
- Lack of awareness of the radiation safety needs.
- Increased public misconceptions in Rwanda's involvement in this space.

2.4 Stakeholder Scan

- RURA is required to interface with multiple stakeholders regularly to fulfill its mandate, operate efficiently and for the successful implementation of this Strategic Plan.
- Table below answers two questions i.e., who are the key stakeholders in RURA's operating eco-system and what are their expectations from RURA?

External Stake- holders	Scope of the Stakeholder	Interface Considerations
Consumers / Consumer Organizations	 Consumers are the end users of public utilities such as ICT, electricity, transport, and water. They pay tariff to receive the utilities. Consumer groups represent the interests of consumers as a collective. 	 Availability of affordable and quality public utilities. Consumer awareness on utilities, services, prices / tariff, rights and complaint procedures. Intermediary between consumers, service providers and other institutions to resolve consumer issues and complaints. Active engagements with consumer groups on consumer awareness and protection.

Service Providers / Service providers offer the public R&D engagements - to be up-to-date **Service Provider's** utilities to the consumers. on sector developments. **Associations** Primarily regulated and licensed Accurate and on-time data collection by RURA. and analysis. Both private service providers Conducive operating environment via; and government owned serup-to-date regulations (including regulatory fees) and fair competition. vice providers Service Providers Associations Seamless and efficient licensing prorepresent the interests of service cess. providers as a collective. Effective and transparent compliance monitoring and enforcement. Active engagements with Service Provider's Associations. Office of the Prime Ensure RURA's mandate is delivered. Coordinating the national policies Minister and development programs. Contribute to national plans, policies, Monitoring and evaluating the imagendas and programs (NST1, Vision plementation of national policies 2050, SDGs). and programs. Expertise / Advisory in developing reg-Overseeing the functioning of the ulated sectors. Government's Institutions. Timely and accurate reporting. **Parliament** Legislate and oversee the execu-Accountability and transparency in all tive action for and on behalf of the dealings. people of Rwanda. Rwanda Develop-Accelerate Rwanda's economic de-Conducive regulatory environment for ment Board (RDB) velopment by enabling private secbusiness and investment. tor growth – as the One Stop Shop Seamless and efficient licensing profor business and investments. cess. Assistance in resolving investor queries. Timely reporting of key sector statis-Stronger collaboration with regards to regulation formulation.

External Stake- holders	Scope of the Stakeholder	Interface Considerations			
Line and Linked Ministries • Ministry of ICT, Ministry of Infrastructure, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ministry of Local Government	 Ministries are in charge of developing and implementing the national agendas, plans, policies and programs of their respective sectors. 	 Contribute to ministry plans, policies, agendas and programs (linked to national plans). Initiate the development of legal and regulatory frameworks of the relevant sectors. Expertise / Advisory in developing regulated sectors. 			
Key Government / Non-Government Institutions (with a similar mandate for different sectors and functions) All Other Ministries and Government Institutions	 Perform the specific mandate given – in terms of development of the respective sector and functions. There could be possible overlaps with RURA's mandate. Perform the ministry or institutional mandate. 	 Collaborate to develop, promote and enforce regulations in the respective sectors / functions – in order to support the national plans, agenda, policies and programs. Expertise / Advisory in developing respective sectors / functions. 			
International / Regional Organiza- tions	 Perform the mandate of the organization – including in- ternational collaborations to develop respective sectors / functions. 	 Represent Rwanda in international / regional platforms – share Rwanda's learnings and best practices. Collaborate to develop the respective sectors / functions in Rwanda – by acquiring funding or technical expertise. 			
Suppliers	 Suppliers that RURA is pro- curing supplies from to ful- fill a specific good / services requirement. 	 Adherence to contract terms. Equal opportunity and fair procurement. Timely information sharing for improvements and support services delivery. 			
Media	 Local / International media that deliver news to mass/ targeted audiences. 	 Timely and accurate information sharing. 			

Internal Stake- holders	Scope of the Stakeholder	Interface Considerations
Regulatory Board	 Regulatory Board, comprised of 7 board members are respon- sible for overall oversight of RU- RA's mandate. 	 Efficient management of day-to-day operations. Transparent, accountable and sustainable organization.
Staff	This is the management and staff of RURA that carries out day-to-day operations.	 Transparent, accountable and sustainable organization. Career development. Equal opportunity and performance recognition.

2.5 Internal Organizational Scan

How are RURA's Sights, Strategy, Structure-Staff, and Straction (as per MTI's 8S ® Model) geared to meet the opportunities and challenges in the external environment?

Modules (based on MTI's 8S ® Model)	Key Considerations (SWOT Integrated)			
	 RURA is an independent institution with a well-defined mandate (as per RURA Law of 2001 and 2013). 			
Scope	 Possible overlapping of roles with other government institutions (See 2.4 Stakeholder Scan in the previous page). 			
	 Lacks clarity on 'if' and 'how to' regulate certain sub-sectors – e.g., E-Commerce. 			
Ciahta	 Measure 6 broad goals – which are not clearly linked to end out- puts and activities. 			
Sights	 Diligent monitoring and reporting by Planning, M&E Unit (with departments) – quarterly and annually. 			

	R&D	 Minimal research conducted on all the sectors. Only limited to basic data collection and analysis, which faces further challenges in terms of accuracy and timeliness of data. 				
		 Lacks a structured research framework or methodology and does not optimize technology to conduct research. 				
		 Collaboration opportunities with local and international partners to conduct research (including the availability of research funding). 				
		 The political will to develop a conducive regulatory environment for economic development and investment promotion in Rwanda. 				
	Legal & Regu- latory	 Gaps in regulatory framework – including Policies, Laws, Presidential Orders and Prime Ministerial orders (see list in Appendix 2). 				
		 According to consumers, tariff rates are too high - in sectors such as Electricity, Water, ICT and Petroleum. However, some tariff rates are still not cost reflective. 				
Strategy		The current regulatory fee framework needs an update – due to feedback from both internal and external sector stakeholders.				
	Licensing	 Digitization of licensing process via Converging License Management System (CLMS). 				
		 Lacks clarity on 'if' and 'how to' license certain service providers – e.g.: Waterways Transport, E-Commerce, Cleaning Companies etc. 				
	Compliance	 Lack of advanced technology tools for compliance monitoring (such as Network Monitoring Systems). RURA's systems are not integrated with the service provider's systems. 				
		 Above, leads to challenges in enforcing regulations (and stan- dards) and revenue collection. 				
	Enforcement	 Quality Management System (QMS) is being implemented as a part of the new Quality Assurance division. However, currently there are gaps such as lack of quality manuals, quality reports and updated service level standards. 				
		Collaborations with national police and other government institutions – officiated by MOUs.				

Modules (based on MTI's 8S ® Model		Key Considerations (SWOT Integrated)			
Strategy	Accessibility	 Availability of the Universal Access Fund (UAF) to increase the accessibility of Telecom and ICT services. Potential to increase the fund's scope to Postal and Media & Broadcasting via new Presidential Order. 			
		 Consumer Protection – lacks a call center and an integrated plat- form to store, share, monitor and resolve consumer complaints. 			
		 Awareness – There are awareness gaps about RURA's role, among consumers, service providers and government institutions. 			
	Strategic Impact	Currently, RURA does not conduct any strategic impact assessments.			
	Assessment				

The current organizational structure is not optimal and has to be reviewed.
, evicived.
There are many capacity gaps (vacant positions) in the structure - 35 out of 203 positions are vacant, including some senior positions
Competent and qualified staff is a key strength, and the leader-ship is committed to build organizational capacity.
Competency development is a key priority at RURA, to be in-line with the dynamic nature of all the sectors that RURA regulates (see Competency Map in Page 47).
Academic collaborations to develop competencies – such as launching Masters in Regulatory Economics and Competition Policywith University of Rwanda.
High internal paper usage, due to mostly manual processes and procedures.
Ability to develop regulations to promote environmental sustainability – e.g.: Renewable Energy, E-Mobility.
Digitization plans are in progress and seems to be in the early stages (see list of initiatives and gaps in Appendix 3).
Gaps in updated process documents and procedure manuals in areas such as, customer service, finance, revenue collection etc creating the need for a comprehensive process mapping to facilitate digitization.
RURA's performance management is not linked to regulatory impact assessments and market assessments.
Limited organizational Risk Management in place and no dedicated responsibility in the structure.
Dedicated unit is there for strategic plan implementation, monitoring and evaluation.
Gaps in previous strategic plan development and implementation

2.6 Last Strategic Plan

How effective has / is RURA's last strategic plan – in terms of the documentation and the achievement of the stated objectives and initiatives?

What are the key observations and learnings to be extracted?

Section	 Key Observations Key Learnings	How it is addressed in this Strategic Plan?
Chapter 3: Situational Analysis	 Regulated Utility Services Analysis is disjointed from other sections of the Strategic Plan. Ideally should be linked with the Situational Analysis (PEST and SWOT). PEST and SWOT could have been better structured as per the Sectors and Value Chain. 	 An overall PEST Analysis is carried out Above is supplemented with PEST and SWOT analysis for each sector, demonstrated in the respective Sector Scans. Refer Page 17-31
Chapter 4: Strategic Formulation	 There are 6 Strategic Goals, and each Goal has a Strategic Objective. However, the Strategic Objectives are just more descriptive versions of the Goals. Strategic Goals are not linked to Rwanda's National Goals. 	 9 Strategic Goals were formulated and a clear linkage between Nation Vision / Goals and RURA Goals have also been demonstrated. Refer Page 32-38
	 Steep jump from Strategic Objectives to Strategic Outputs Full range of options not considered – needs deep thinking 	 Arising from the 9 RURA Goals, 17 Strategic Initiatives have been developed and clear linkage between these two have been demonstrated. Refer Page 55 Each Strategic Initiative will have Milestones and detailed actions to enable execution. Refer M&E Framework
Logical and M&E Frame- work	 Strategic Objectives are broken down into Strategic Outputs. Each Output has a Strategic Outcome and an Outcome Verifiable Indicator. Most of the Outcome Verifiable Indicators are not completely within RURA's control to achieve – e.g.: 10% annual increase in population with access to affordable electricity, 10% annual increase in internet penetration. 	A National Sector Goals contribution measurement mechanism has been introduced to track and monitor RURA's contribution to the National Goals. Refer M&E Framework

Detailed Logical and M&E Framework

- Strategic Outputs are furtherbroken down into Activities. Each Activity has a Verifiable Indicator.
- However, it's not clear how these Activities will lead to the achievement of Strategic Outputs and finally, Strategic Objectives.
- This is mainly because, the Activity Verifiable Indicators are not clearly linked to Outcome VerifiableIndicators.
- Not all the Activities can be measured by KPIs. Some activities can be deliverables. Given the market dynamics, the given targets / KPIs needs the flexibility to change.
- KPIs are assigned at a Strategic Initiative level to measure if the Strategic Initiative was able to achieve its desired impact.
- Baseline and Targets have also been assigned to each KPI. Refer M&E Framework

- Activity plans and measurements reflect
 a combination of day to day job descrip tions, as opposed to being strategic. These
 are too detailed for a Strategic Plan and
 impractical to monitor.
- A clear boundary between the day job and strategic actions has been established.
 A simple yet comprehensive M&E template has been introduced.
- Developing and monitoring budget for each Strategic Outcome and Activity is impractical and of limited value.
- Budgets are now assigned at a Strategic Initiative level. This will provide a high-level estimation on how much it will cost to implement the Strategic Initiative. Refer M&E Framework.

Overall

- Overall, there are two detailed formats / frameworks with many columns and key words. This could have possibly made M&E of Strategic Plan implementation cumbersome.
- A simple yet comprehensive M&E template has been introduced.
- Majority of this M&E framework is automated to ensure ease-of-tracking



Results

- Due to above challenges and gaps, M&E of the Strategic Plan 17-20 has not been conducted exactly as per the format in the Strategic Plan.
- However, the six Goals, certain Outcomes and Verifiable Indicators have been measured (including the budget).
- To complete this analysis, these formats have been reviewed and summarized as below.
- Based on the data received, overall, 70% was achieved in the Strategic Plan 17-20 - as per the 6 Strategic Goals set. Out of the total budget allocated (Rwf 84 billion) only 64% was spent.
- Out of the 6 Strategic Goals, only 1 was achieved over <u>80%</u> i.e., RURA Contributes To The National, Regional And International Long Term Development Goals.
- Over <u>70%</u> achievement in 4 out of 6 Strategic Goals.
- Only <u>35%</u> achievement in Strategic Goal 5: RURA Research And Development Function is Established And Functional – significantly lower financial and human resources have been allocated for this goal (only <u>0.7%</u> of allocated budget was utilized and currently 5/10 positions are vacant as at 2021)
- (Refer Appendix 4 for breakdown of Strategic Goals Achievement and Key Sector Highlights and Achievements During Strategic Plan 2017- 20)

3 SIGHTS

3.1 National Vision and National Sector Goals

Listed in the table below are some of the selected key sector goals that have already been set for Rwanda in the National Agenda documents such as NST1 and Vision 2050. These goals were considered as a foundation in determining RURA's organizational goals.

National Vision:

Upper Middle-Income Country by 2035 & High-Income Country by 2050



Sector	National Sector Goal			
	80% internet penetration by 2024			
	Rwanda to differentiate itself as the "proof-of-concept" country			
	Position Rwanda as Africa's leading ICT hub by 2024			
	Digital literacy for all youth (16-30 years) by 2024			
ICT	Accelerate niche emerging sectors, such as nanotech, biotech, block chain technology or Al			
	Vibrant smart cities sustained			
	Improve accessibility to broadcasting contents through government led development of promoting the broadcasting industry			
	30% of business/companies will participate in ecommerce by 2024			
	Access to electricity will be scaled up to 100% by 2024			
	60% of Installed Capacity via Renewable Energy by 2035			
Energy	Reduce Firewood Dependence to 42% by 2024			
	Generation capacity increased to ensure that all demand is met and a 15% reserve margin is maintained			
Water	Access to water will be scaled up to 100% by 2024			

Sanitation	Access to sanitation will be scaled up to 100% by 2024			
	Improve rural and urban transportation services			
	Proportion of population conveying with public transportation to be 24% by 2035 and 40% by 2050			
Transport	Advocate on the removal of trade barriers for free movement of goods, services, and capital.			
	Convenient public transport will be accessible at least within 500m radius or less			
	Promote research and development to fast-track Rwanda's economic transformation			
	Rwanda is targeting to belong to the top ten countries in doing business in 2035			
	Reduce the cost of doing business and facilitate trade			
All Sectors	Promote industrialization and attain a structural shift in the export base to high-value goods and services with the aim of growing exports by 17% annually			
	Achieve high standards/ quality services and customer care across public and private sectors			
	Ensure 100% Government services are delivered online by 2024			





3.2 Organizational Goals

Goal Area	Organizational Goals
R&D	Goal 1: Develop a fully-fledged R&D Function – with the capabilities to continuously scan the sector environments and its dynamics, experiment and rollout innovative regulatory responses (including datadriven and high-tech interventions), share knowledge and learnings via thought leadership initiatives.
Legal & Regulatory	Goal 2: Ensure that Rwanda's regulatory framework for the sectors regulated by RURA are comprehensive, conducive and updated. Thereby enabling high quality service provisions and contributing towards national development (including enabling investments into the sectors).
Licensing	Goal 3: Ensure 100% of the service providers (i.e., all those who should be licensed) are identified, tracked and licensed – enabled by service quality and digital efficiencies.
Compliance & Enforcement	Goal 4: Ensure 100% compliance (there by minimizing the need for enforcement) – enabled by service quality and digital efficiencies.
Accessibility	Goal 5: Ensure availability, affordability and accessibility to ICT, Energy, Water & Sanitation and Transport services via the functions that RURA manages (ensuring Consumer Education, Protection and Safety). This also includes RURA's role to supplement national efforts to develop and advance these critical sectors.

Strategic Impact Assessment	Goal 6: Develop and execute a comprehensive framework to measure the impact of RURA's contribution to the National Goals – based on which take corrective action.				
Capacity Building	Goal 7: Develop a future-ready organization to meet the opportunities and challenges in the sectors – via Organizational Structure, Capacity, Competencies, Processes & Systems.				
	Goal 8: Improve service and operational efficiency via digitizing RURA's key internal and external processes / interfaces				
Financial Sustainability	Goal 9: Ensure RURA continues to be financially self-sufficient – considering additional funding required to meet RURA's Strategic Pursuits, possible impact on revenues (due to sector dynamics) and therefore optimizing international development funding.				

3.3 RURA's Organizational Goals linked to National Sector Goals

• The grid below demonstrates how RURA's 9 Organizational Goals link with the National Sector Goals defined in National Agenda documents such as NST1 and Vision 2050.

	National Sector Goals	Organizational Goals							
Sector		R&D	Regulatory	Licensing	Compliance & Enforcemen	Accessibility	Strategic Impact Assessment	Capacity Building	Financial Sustainability
		Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4	Goals 5	Goal 6	Goal 7& 8	Goal 9
	80% internet penetration by 2024	X	Х		Х	Х	Х		
ICT	Rwanda to differentiate itself as the "proof-of-concept" country	Χ	X	X					
	Position Rwanda as Africa's leading ICT hub by 2024	Χ	X	X		X			
	Digital literacy for all youth (16-30 years) by 2024		X			X			
	Accelerate niche emerging sectors, such as nanotech, biotech, block chain technology or Al	X	X	X	X				
	Vibrant smart cities sustained	X	Х						
	Improve accessibility to broadcasting contents through government led development of promoting the broadcasting industry		X	X	X	X			
	30% of business/companies will participate in ecommerce by 2024		X	X		X			

		Orgai	nizational	Goals					
Sector	National Sector Goals	R&D	Regulatory	Licensing	Compliance & Enforcement	Accessibility	Strategic Impact Assessment	Capacity Building	Financial Sustainability
		Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4	Goals 5	Goal 6	Goal 7 & 8	Goal 9
	100% Electricity Access by 2024		Х		Χ	Χ	Χ		
	60% of Installed Capacity via Renewable Energy by 2035	Χ	Х	Χ					
Energy	Reduce Firewood Dependence to 42% by 2024		Х	X		X			
	Generation capacity increased to ensure that all demand is met and a 15% reserve margin is maintained		X		X	X			
Water	100% Access by 2024		Х		Χ	Χ	Χ		
Sanitation	100% Access by 2024		Х		Χ	Χ	Χ		
Road Transport	Improve rural and urban transportation services		X	Χ	X	X			
	% Population conveying with public transportation to be 24% by 2035 and 40% by 2050	Χ	X			X	Χ		
	Advocate on the removal of trade barriers for free movement of goods, services, and capital.		Х	X	X	Χ			
	Convenient public transport will be accessible at least within 500m radius or less		Х	X		Х			

		Organi	zational G	oals					
Sector	National Sector Goals	R&D	Regulatory	Licensing	Compliance & Enforcement	Accessibility	Strategic Impact Assessment	Capacity Building	Financial Sustainability
		Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4	Goals 5	Goal 6	Goal 7 & 8	Goal 9
All Sectors	Promote research and development to fast- track Rwanda's economic transformation	Χ					Χ	X	
	Rwanda is targeting to belong to the top ten countries in doing business in 2035	Χ	X	Χ	X	X			
	Reduce the cost of doing business and facilitate trade		Х	Х	X	Х			
	Promote industrialization and attain a structural shift in the export base to high-value goods and services with the aim of growing exports by 17% annually		X	X					
	Achieve high standards/ quality services and customer care across public and private sectors							X	
	Ensure 100% Government services are delivered online by 2024							X	

3.4 Organizational Focus

- RURA regulates a total of 18 sub-sectors with the possibility of performing 6 key functions per sub-sector. Thus, a total of 108 sector / function combinations. (refer Page 9).
- RURA has limited staff strength and needs to prioritize / focus its energies on the key sectors and functions.
- Below is a sample Sector Focus Grid template that RURA's Senior Management Team (cross-functional) will study and fill as part of this Strategic Plan

Functions	Regulatory	Licensing	Compliance	Enforcement	Accessibility	
Sub Sectors	Regulatory	compnance		Emoreement	Accessionicy	
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Subsector]	1116117 EOW	1118117 2000	Tilgit / Low	1118117 2000	1118117 2000	
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Subsector]	High / Low	High / Low	High / Low	High / Low	High / Low	

4 STRATEGY

- In 'Module 3: Sights', the Focus and Goals for RURA have been determined.
- Given the above, the focus of this module is to develop the Strategies that will help RURA to achieve the 9 Goals specified in 'Module 3. Sights' (refer Page 34).
- Accordingly, 10 Strategic Initiatives have been identified.

Title	What? (Scope)	Why? (Rationale)	How? (Measurement)
Re-invent the R&D Function	 Proactively monitor emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities in the sectors that RURA regulates. Capture, analyze and report on-time / real-time data related to the sectors, 	Current R&D function at RURA, only addresses routine data collection and analysis for few sectors. Research is only limited to a few adhoc initiatives.	 Successful completion of Milestones R&D Plan / Charter Execution Progress (%) > Performance Management
Bridge Regulatory Gaps	To undertake a comprehensive critique of the current policies, laws, orders and regulations for each of the sectors that RURA regulates – based on the emerging opportunities, challenges and national expectations.	RURA regulates, fast-paced and dynamic sectors making existing policies, laws and regulations obsolete, more frequently. This has led to the current regulatory gaps in Rwanda (see Appendix 2) and possible future gaps.	Successful completion of Milestones
Enabling Investments into Sectors	RURA could be a key enabler in attracting investments (including FDIs) into Rwanda for the sectors it regulates, by creating a business-friendly regulatory framework and offer incentives with regards to licensing.	 Rwanda's economy needs a much higher level of investments to develop its key sectors. Having a conducive regulatory framework coupled with incentives will be key to enable investments into a country. 	Successful completion of Milestones
Optimize Digital Interface - Consumers & Operators	Optimizing the use of digital channels to interface with both endconsumers and operators – thus ensuring higher service quality, efficiency and complementing RURA's existing marketing / brand-building efforts	Given the number of sectors RURA is mandated to regulate, manually interfacing with endconsumers and operators will require significant manpower, leading to higher costs and overall inefficiencies.	 Successful completion of Milestone Action Plan Progress (%) > Performance Management
Advancing Consumer Access and Usage	To increase the levels of access and usage of the essential public utilities to the wider population of Rwanda.	Ultimately, the core of RURA's existence is to serve Rwandan citizens by ensuring the affordable accessibility of public utilities, thus leading to the Socioeconomic development of Rwanda.	 Successful completion of Milestones Public Utilities Accessibility Achievement % (National Goals in M&E Framework)

Title	What? (Scope)	Why? (Rationale)	How? (Measurement)
Protect Consumer Interests by Ensuring Quality of Service (QoS)	 Protect the interests and rights of consumers, by playing the role of the intermediary between consumers and operators. Resolve consumer complaints and ensure consumers receive services as per stipulated quality standards and guidelines. Also, the interests of operators needs to be accounted while ensuring operator knowledge gaps are identified and addressed 	 Most of the complaints RURA receives from consumers are on quality-of-service related aspects. Need to ensure that these complaints are resolved on-time, in a satisfactory manner and possible future issues are prevented. 	 Successful completion of Milestones QoS compliance levels > Performance Management % of consumer complaints resolved > Performance Management
Enhancing Institutional Collaboration	 RURA to proactively collaborate with a multitude of Rwandan Government Stakeholders – whose roles has an interface, inter-link and /or overlap with RURA's role. So that all parties concerned can work in synergy and create greater value to the Country, Consumers and Operators. 	 Most sector developmental initiatives will require some degree of collaboration between the key players in Rwandan Government Eco-System. RURA can benefit by tapping into the resources and know-how of these organizations, whilst sharing RURA's own expertise with them. 	 Successful completion of Milestones Measures of Success (As per MOU) > Performance Management
Strategic Linking with Development Agencies	To identify international development and donor agencies – with whom RURA can collaborate for R&D, Competency Development, Technical Support, Knowledge Sharing and Thought Leadership Initiatives (that will also help to strengthen the corporate brand position of RURA).	With rapid changes taking place in RURA's operating environment and possible impact this will have on RURA's operations and revenue, there is a need for international collaboration and the need for alternate funding sources.	 Successful completion of Milestones Measures of Success (As per MOU – e.g.: Initiatives, Training Hours, Funding etc.) > Performance Management

Ensuring that RURA **Improve** Given the breadth of Successful **Operations** adheres to defined sectors / functions that completion of Quality Milestones quality standards – in RURA needs to regulate Management and the number of relation to the serving Results from its Customers and interfaces / transactions Service Quality and Operators (the frontit needs to manage, Satisfaction Survey end) and its Operations there needs to be a (Satisfaction Levels) (the back-end). disciplined approach to > Performance managing quality. Management To develop a framework Successful Strategic Given the intermediary **Impact** and ensure it is / contributory role of completion of Assessment Milestones periodically tested – to RURA to the national assess the strategic agenda, the importance Continuous Strategic impact of the role and of a strategic check Impact Assessments contribution of RURA to - to ensure the and Actions > the 'bigger picture' i.e., organizational efforts Performance National Socio-Economic are converted to impact. Management Development.

4.1 Strategic Partnership Map

- Forming mutually beneficial and strategic partnerships across RURA's value chain functions and sectors (refer Page 9) will be crucial to effectively fulfill its role as a regulator.
- These partnerships could be with:
- Local institutions having a highly complementary or possibly an overlapping / similar scope.
 - International / Regional institutions with the reach, access to resources and intelligence on the sectors regulated by RURA.
- Table below presents a mapping of some key Local and International / Regional institutions that RURA could possibly benefit from by forming / strengthening strategic partnerships with:

	Organization	Sectors / Functions	Scope	RURA Inter- face
Local (Institutions with supporting	Rwanda Information Society Authority (RISA)	ICT	RISA is mandated to plan and coordinate the implementation of National ICT for Development Agenda.	Given the overlapping / complementary scope that these organizations
/ possibly overlapping mandates)	National Cyber Security Authority (NCSA)	ICT	NCSA was established to protect private and government information and infrastructure against cyber-attacks.	have, RURA should strive to strengthen its relations by collaborating / working together in the areas of;
	Rwanda Space Agency (RSA)	ICT	RSA is mandated develop and implement national space policies / strategies and further Rwanda's knowledge base in space technologies.	 Research & Development Involvement in the regulatory formulation and licensing process
	Rwanda Media Commission (RMC)	Media & Broadcasting	RMC is a Media Self-Regulatory Body with the mission of promoting free, responsible and accountable media.	 Optimize resources to support compliance and
	Rwanda Energy Group (REG)	Energy	REG was established to expand, maintain and operate the energy infrastructure in Rwanda. It has 2 subsidiaries under its belt - EUCL is focused on service delivery while EDCL is focused on project management/implementation.	enforcement processes Joint campaigns to ensure accessibility to quality services
	Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board (RMB)	Energy	RMB's key responsibility is to implement and advise the government on issues related to national policies, laws and strategies related to mines, petroleum and gas.	
	Rwanda Atomic Energy Board (RAEB)	Energy	RAEB is mandated to set up nuclear facilities based on international standards, coordinate research & development and ensure safety aspects of nuclear energy applications.	

	Organization	Sectors / Functions	Scope	RURA Interface
Local (cont'd)	Rwanda Water Resources Board (RWB)	Water	RWD's key responsibilities include implementation of national policies, laws and strategies related to water resources for sustainable development.	
	Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA)	Sanitation	REMA's mandate encompasses national environmental protection, conservation, promotion and overall management, including advisory to the government on all matters pertinent to the environment and climate change.	
	Rwanda Transport Development Agency (RTDA)	Transport	RTDA's key functions among other things as per its mission, include implementation of government policy on transportation infrastructure and develop public transport service within the country on road and waterways.	
	Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)	All sectors	RSB is mandated to undertake all activities pertaining to the development of Standards, Conformity Assessment and Metrology services in Rwanda.	
	Rwanda Inspectorate, Competition, and Consumer Protection Authority (RICA)	All sectors	RICA is responsible to carry out investigations on anticompetitive trade practices and protect consumer interests in the sectors that are not regulated by RURA.	

International / Regional	ITU (International	ICT	ITU is the United Nations specialized agency for ICT striving to connect the world and ensure access to ICT services worldwide.	RURA could reach out to these International / Regional organizations with mutually beneficial
	African	ICT	ATU provides a platform for stakeholders involved in ICT to formulate effective policies and strategies aimed at improving access to ICT services and support Africa's development.	propositions for each and optimize their resources for; Capacity building Quality Intelligence
	GSM Association (GSMA)	ICT	GSMA represents the interests of mobile operators worldwide, uniting more than 750 operators with almost 400 companies in the broader mobile ecosystem. Providing services such as industry events, intelligence, capacity building, etc.	Resources / Experts / Technical assistance Financial assistance Other international / regional cooperation
	East African Communication Organization (EACO)	ICT	EACO brings together key ICT stakeholders in Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda to strengthen and promote cooperation in the development and provision of postal, telecommunication and broadcasting services in the region.	
	International Association of Public Transport (UITP)	Transport	UITP is the international association for public transport authorities, operators, policy makers, scientific institutes and the sector services and supply.	
	Universal Postal Union (UPU)	Postal	The Universal Postal Union is a United Nations specialized agency and the postal sector's primary forum for international cooperation.	

5 STAFF STRUCTURE

The intent of this module is to align the organizational structure and staffing to the strategies developed in (Module 4. Strategy).

• Accordingly, for RURA, 2 Strategic Initiatives have been identified:

Title	What? (Scope)	Why? (Rationale)	How? (Measurement)
Functional Structure Review	To review the Functional Organizational Structure of RURA - considering the emerging opportunities, challenges, expectations, and implications from this Strategic Plan (to fill-in the vacant positions will be an integral part).	35 positions in the current legacy structure is vacant and this is impacting both the ability for RURA to discharge its duties and the performance of the current staff (some ofwhom are overloaded as a result).	Successful completion of Milestones Staff Satisfaction Level (%) > Performance Management
Strategy Enabling Competency Development	Mapping and identifying the Competencies that RURA needs to have in place – to meet the emerging opportunities, challenges, and expectations. Based on the above, map RURA's existing competencies, thus identifying the Competency Gaps – that needs to be developed and /or acquired. This will be followed by Competency Development (Training).	RURA is required to acquire and improve strategy-critical competencies to meet the future challenges and opportunities addressed in this Strategic Plan. This has a direct impact on both RURA's staff performance and the ability to implement the Strategic Plan.	Successful completion of Milestones No. of Training Programs, Participants, Training Hours (Per competency) > Performance Management

5.1 Review of the Current Structure

- Based on an extensive initial review of the current structure. RURA will embark on a structural review exercise, there are 2 options available for the Authority (the option will be decided based on a detailed evaluation, carried out as part of the Strategic Initiative above);
 - Option 1: Ground-zero based Organizational Structure Development
 - **Option 2:** Adjust the Existing Structure i.e. integrating the key roles arising out of this Strategic Plan which will be filled either via internal rotations / promotions or external recruitments.
- · Positions arising out of the Strategic Plan cover the functions of;
 - Institutional Linking & Collaboration Covering Strategic Initiatives, Enhancing Institutional Collaboration (Page 63) and Strategic Linking with Development Agencies (Page 65)
 - Strategic Impact Assessment Covering Strategic initiative, Strategic Impact Assessment (Page 68)
 - Risk Management Covering Strategic Initiative, Risk Management Framework (Page 74)

Why Option 1: Ground-Zero based Organizational Structure Development is the route to take?

- RURA's current structure was last reviewed in 2019 which resulted in some incremental changes to its legacy structure.
- From the client interviews the consultant conducted during the information gathering stage, it was noted that the current structure was not optimal and has to be reviewed to ensure RURA is structurally fit to implement the Strategy i.e. a Strategy-enabling Structure.
- To add to above, it was also noted that there were 35 vacant positions which include senior positions such as Chief Technical Officer, Chief Operating officer, Chief Finance Officer, Head of Policy & Regulatory Strategy, GM - Communications, GM - Research & Economic Regulation etc.

- Which has resulted in about 15 direct reporting lines to the Director General, which can be too complex to manage.
- These vacant positions are also impacting the ability for RURA to discharge its duties
 effectively and hinders the performance of the current staff (some of whom are overloaded as a result).
- Furthermore, arising from the Strategic Plan, there are three key roles that needs to be created and added to RURA's structure;
 - Institutional Linking & Collaboration Role
 - Strategic Impact Assessment Role
 - Risk Management Role
- Based on the above points and given the highly dynamic sectors RURA is mandated to regulate, it is recommended to undertake a ground-zero based Functional Structure Review.
- Although, filling the vacant positions may seem like a more convenient option as opposed to commissioning on a full overhaul of the structure. In fact, almost all the Strategic Initiatives are implementable with the current structure in place.
- But it is important to note that by only filling the vacant positions will not give the bandwidth and futureproofing that RURA requires to realize the much-needed quantum leap of performance that will be crucial to realize Rwanda's developmental aspirations.
- The consultant also noted that going Ground-zero requires significant commitment and RURA should not embark on this exercise if that commitment is unavailable starting from the top of the organization.
- If RURA selects to proceed with the Ground-Zero option, the following Strategic Initiatives will have to put on hold until the restructuring exercise is completed;
 - Enhancing Institutional Collaboration
 - Strategic Linking with Development Agencies
 - Strategic Impact Assessment
 - Risk Management Framework
- Some of the observations made by the consultant of RURA's current structure is presented below;

Observation	Concern
What is the rationale behind introducing Chief Technical Officer and Chief Operating Officer positions?	The rationale is to reduce the reporting lines and workload of the Director General. However, these positions are mostly seen in commercial organizations and are uncommon for a regulator or a government institute
Why does Transport Planning & Industry Development report directly to DG while Transport Regulation is separated, and report to COO?	Is there anything additional / any special significance placed as per mandate on the Transport sector compared to other sectors? - the rational could be that Transport planning and operations needs to be separate but may need to challenge this rationale
Why is Media & Broadcasting regulation separated, and reports to COO while ICT regulation reports to CTO?	Media & Broadcasting should ideally fall under ICT Regulation given its regulatory scope
Why is Cybersecurity regulation separated from ICT regulation? What is the rationale behind Cybersecurity directly reporting to DG?	Cybersecurity is very much part of ICT and should technically fall under ICT regulation. Under ICT Regulation it is understood that emphasis is placed on Network Operators and connectivity in general however it is worth challenging this rationale given the high fluidity and converging nature between Telecom and ICT
How could capabilities under Cyberse- curity & Strategic Integration blend with Information Systems function at RURA?	It is understood that certain capabilities such as Data Science and AI are with Cybersecurity & Strategic Integration while the ICT backbone is with Information Systems – a clear link between these 2 functions will be crucial to initiate the Digital & R&D Strategic Initiatives arising from the Strategic Plan

5.2 Competency Mapping

- This Competency Map identifies key competencies RURA needs to develop per each function (across all sectors / sub-sectors). Also, key approaches to acquire / develop these competencies.
- This will be used as a guideline when RURA develops Strategy Enabling Competencies, as per the Strategic Initiative in the previous page.

Function	Competencies		How to Acquire / Develop?
R&D	Research (various Research Methodologies and Tools)	Report / Presentation Development	Local & International
	Data Analytics / Data Science	Project Management	Internal (within RURA)
		Strategic Relationship Management	Knowledge Sharing
Legal & Regulatory	Legal – Drafting, Translations	Sector specific legalities	Cross-Functional Training
	Stakeholder Management		Cross-Functional On-the-Job Training
Licensing	Proposal Evaluations - Legal	Proposal Evaluation – Technical	
	Proposal Evaluation – Business, Economic, Financial	Stakeholder Management	Academic Collaborations
Compliance	Quality Management / Assurance	Stakeholder Management	Courses (Postgraduate, Professional)
	Data Analytics		Training
Enforcement	Negotiations	Stakeholder Management	Conferences / Symposiums
	Legal		Study Visits / Immersions
Accessibility	Research	Project Management	
	Strategic Relationship Management		Institutional Collaborations – Public and Private Sector
Strategic Impact Assessment	Research	Data Analytics / Data Science	
	Stakeholder Management		Industry Exposure / Training Conferences / Symposiums
HR	HR Management	Training, Development and Coaching	* '
	Negotiation and Conflict Resolutions	Change Management	Study Visits / Immersions
	Organizational Development		
Process / Technology	Process Mapping	Vendor Management	
	Technical Business Analysis	Project Management	
Planning, M&E	Data Analytics	Report / Presentation Development	
	Stakeholder Management		
Finance & Corporate Services	Financial Analysis	Stakeholder Management	
	Financial Reporting		
RCG (Risk, Compliance, Governance)	Risk Analysis	Audit	
Governance)	Stakeholder Management		

6 SUSTAINABILITY

(Environment)

- The intent of this module is to ensure that RURA, via its actions, ensures responsibility for the environmental sustainability of Rwanda.
- Actions in this context refers to both RURA's internal operations and more importantly how it drives the Consumers and Operators to be more environment conscious in their actions.
- Under this module on Sustainability, 1 Strategic Initiative has been identified.

Title	What? (Scope)	Why? (Rationale)	How? (Measurement)
Enabling the Green Agenda	Enable the adoption of environmentally sustainable practices – among Consumers and Operators via RURA's regulatory role and how it conducts its day-to-day operations. Through its regulatory role, RURA could initiate the need for environmentally sustainable policies, laws and develop appropriate regulations.	The criticality of sustainable practices – given the impact it has on Rwanda's environment. The vantage position that RURA is in, to be able to influence sustainability practices among a significant proposition of the Consumers and Organizations in Rwanda.	Successful completion of Milestones



7 SYSTEMS

- The intent of this module is to align the organizational processes and performance management to enable the effective implementation of the Strategic Plan. It also identifies the strategic risks that RURA needs to monitor and mitigate.
- Accordingly, 3 Strategic Initiatives have been identified.

Title	What? (Scope)	Why? (Rationale)	How? (Measure- ment)
Operations Digital Trans- formation	To carry out an organization-wide, comprehensive digital transformation of RURA's back-end operations leading to the elimination of both human and process inefficiencies.	The current level of digitization is inadequate given the number of sectors that RURA must regulate and the type of functions that RURA is expected to perform for the sectors it regulates.	Successful completion of Milestones Action Plan Progress (%) > Performance Management
Risk Manage- ment Frame- work	Identifying the potential risks that RURA is likely to encounter and proactively mitigating them hence in the event of encountering the risk, RURA can minimize its negative impact to itself and its stakeholders. Refer framework in Page 50 as a guideline.	Given the dynamics in RURA's operating environment, risks are likely to occur, and it is important for RURA to be able to respond effectively with minimum damage.	Successful completion of Milestones Risk Mitigation Plans Progress (%) Performance Management Annual Review completed > Performance Management

Performance To develop To ensure that RURA's Successful comprehensive staff efforts are focused completion of Management Framework evaluation framework, on achieving the goals Milestones that will facilitate RURA formulated in the Strategic Plan to effectively monitor Strategic Plan. Implementation its performance Progress (%) with regards to - as per M&E implementation of this Framework > strategic plan and take Performance remedial actions. Management There are two aspects KPIs (Arising from in this Performance Strategic Plan) Management Achievement (%) Framework: > Performance M&E Framework Management for Strategic Plan Implementation KPIs arising from Strategic Initiatives -

7.1 Risk Management Framework

refer M&E Framework

- The Risk Management Framework will identify the Strategic Risks RURA may encounter
 when performing its role. The table below include the types of risks, based on each key
 function RURA performs, the probability of that risk being materialized, the likely impact
 if the risk does materialize and initiatives to mitigate the risk.
- This will be used as a guideline when RURA develops a comprehensive Risk Management Framework, as per the Strategic Initiative in Page 74

Risk Category	Type of Risk	Probability (Qualitative evaluation from current RURA perspec- tive)	Likely Impact (Qual- itative evaluation from current RURA perspective)	Mitigation
R&D	Industry outpacing the regul tor in terms of new developme nts.	High	Moderate to High	Invest in cutting-edge R&D and data science
	Outdated industry data leading to erroneous decision making.			Industry collaborations
Legal & Regulatory	Outdated laws and regulations,	Moderate to High	High	Frequent regulatory review and updates
Licensing	Unconventional operators with fluid boundaries (e.g.: Fintech, Internet Media).	Moderate	Moderate	Sandbox approach to regulate
	Cyber risks related to CLMS (e.g.: site crash, data leaks, hacking).	Low	Low to Moderate	Strengthen networks Invest in cyber security
Compliance & Enforcement	Possible lawsuits from operators, consumers or interest groups – related to compliance of QoS, standards etc.	Low	Low to Moderate	Strengthen compliance monitoring (tech optimized)
Accessibility	Inaccurate tariffs leading to either low utilities penetration (due to high tariffs) or operators struggling financially (due to not being cost reflective).	Moderate	High	Comprehensive tariff review and update
	Investments from Universal Access Fund, not delivering intended accessibility results.	Low	Moderate	Comprehensive feasibility studies and due diligence
Strategic Impact Assessment	Regulations not serving the intended purpose and not being able to capture and correct that due to lack of Strategic Impact Assessments.	Low	Moderate to High	Comprehensive and consistent Strate- gic Impact Assessments
Capacity Building	Fall short of achieving goals due to institutional capacity constraints.	Moderate	High	Invest in capacity gaps filling and competency development
Financial Sustain- ability	Inability to self-sustain due to reducing income and increasing costs.	Low	Moderate	Cash flow optimization and proactively seek donor funding
	Lack of funding for strategic initiatives such as Digitization.			
Other	Reputational damage to RURA due to regulatory matters	High	High	Proactively communicate with consumers on regulatory matters

7.2 Performance Management Framework

- The Performance Management Framework has two aspects in order to enable effective implementation of this Strategic Plan:
 - 1. Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) Framework
 - 2. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) arising from the Strategic Plan, refer M&E Framework

7.2.1 Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) Framework*

- M&E Framework has 3 levels of monitoring and evaluation;
 - 1. Strategic Initiatives
 - 2. RURA Organizational Goals
 - 3. National Sector Goals

*M&E Framework is in a separate detailed excel document.
Only an overview is presented here.

1. Strategic Initiatives

Strategic Initiatives will be measured based on the achievement of the actions under each milestone (as per the format).

Milestones	Actions			Timeline			Achieve-	Implementa-	Monitoring
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)	tion responsi- bility	Frequency
		(2022-2023)	(2023-2024)	(2024-2025)	(2025-2026)	(2026-2027)			
1. Re-Invent the	R&D Function								
1. R&D Plan	1.1 Define R&D Scope & objectives	Q1					0%		
Charter	1.2 Develop frameworks/methodologies/ templates to be utilised	Q1					0%		
	1.3 Identify strategic partnerships available to advance reseach	Q2					0%		
	1.4 Develop recommendations on structural changes/ technologies requirements	Q2					0%		
	1.5 Develop recommendations on systems/ technologies requirements	Q2					0%		
	1.6 Develop relevant KPIs to monitor the execution of the plan	Q2					0%		
2. Budget	2.1 Develop a start-up budget for the R&D function to execute the plan	Q3					0%		
3. Approval	3.1 Submit and Present the R&D Plan with the budget to the appropriate approval point(Reguratory Board/Management Committee).	Q3					0%		
	3.2 Incorporate Feedback/ comments	Q3					0%		
	3.3 Get approval	Q3					0%		
4.1 Staff/ Capacity Gaps	4.1 Appreciate the recommendations developed as per Action #1.4	Q4					0%		
	4.2 Map Staff/ Capacity gaps in the R&D function	Q4					0%		
	4.3 Agree on how to fill the capacity gaps (Via internal rotations or external recruitment)	Q4					0%		
	4.4 Define/ review job roles and specs as applicable	Q4					0%		
	4.5 Develop and place advertisement(if external recruitment)	Q4					0%		
	4.6 Short-listing, Interviews/ Assignments and Selectioin	Q4					0%		
	4.7 Onboard/ brief the candidates-including a detailed orientation	Q4					0%		
5. Execution	5.1 Develop an Action Plan for the R&D plan/ Charter		Q3				0%		
	5.2 Execute and Monitor Progress		Q3-Q4	Х	Х	Х	0%		
Total							0%		

2. RURA Organizational Goals

Achievement of RURA organizational goals will be based on the achievement of the Strategic Initiatives. This will be automatically calculated in the Excel.

Function	RURA G	pal	Achievemenent	Monitoring	Monitoring	
			(%)	Responsibility	Frequecy	
R&D	Goal 1	Develop a fully-fledged R&D Fuction - with the capabilities to continuously scan the sector environment and its dynamics experiment and roll- out innovative regulatory responses (including data-driven and high-tech interventions), share knawledge and learnings via thought leadership initiatives.	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly Quarterly	
Regulatory	Goal 2	Ensure that Rwanda's regulatory framework for the sectors regulated by RURA are comprehensive, conductive and update. Thereby enabling high quality service provisions and contributing towards national development(including enabling investments into the	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Licensing	Goal 3	Ensure 100% of the service providers (i.e,all those who should be licensed) are identified, tracked and licensed- enabled by service quality and digital effiencies.	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Compliance & Enforcement	Goal 4	Ensure 100% compliance (there by minimizing the need for enforcement)- enabled by service quality and digital efficiencies.	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Accessibility	Goal 5	Ensure availability, affordability and accessibility to ICT, Energy, Water & Sanitation and Transport services via the functions that RURA manages (ensuring Consumer Edication, Protection and Safety). This also includes RURA's role to supplement national efforts to develop and advance these critical sectors.	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Strategic Impact Assessment	Goal 6	Develop and execute a comprehensive framework to measure the impact of RURA's contribution to the national Goals - based on which take corrective action.	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Capacity Building	Goal 7	Develop a future - ready organization to meet the opportunities and challenges in the sectors -via Organizational Structure, Capacity, Competencies, Processes & Systems	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
	Goal 8	Improve service and operational efficiency via digitizing RURA's key internal and external processes / interfaces				
Financial Sustainability	Goal 9	Ensure RURA continues to be financially self- sufficient - considering additional funding required to meet RURA's Strategic Pursuits, possible impact on revenues (due to sector dynamics) and there optimizing international development funding	0%	Planning, M&E	Quarterly	
Overall Goals Ad	hievemen	it	0%		•	

3. National Sector Goals

RURA will be only monitoring and reporting the National Sector Goals. The accountability and responsibility of the goal achievement is shared among all relevant government ministries and institutes.

Sector National Sector Goal RURA Goals						RURA Goals				,	
		R&D	Regulatory	Licensing	Licensing Compliance	Accessibility Goal 5	Strategic impact			Financial Sustainability	Total Achievement*
		Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4		Goal 6	Goal 7	Goal 8	Goal 9	
ICT	80% Internet penetration by 2024	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%				0%
	Rwanda to differentiate itself as the*proof-of-concept* country	0%	0%	0%							0%
	Position Rwanda as africa's leading ICT hub by 2024	0%	0%	0%		0%					0%
	Digital literacy for all youth(16-30years) by 2024		0%			0%					0%
	Accelerate niche emerging sectors, such as nanotech, biotech, blockchain technology or Al	0%	0%	0%	0%						0%
	Vibrant smart cities sustained	0%	0%								0%
	Improve accessibility to broadcasting contents through government led development of promoting the broadcasting industry		0%	0%	0%	0%					0%
	30% of business/ Companies will participate in ecommerce by 2024		0%	0%		0%					0%
Energy	100% Electicity Access by 2024		0%		0%	0%	0%				0%
	60% of Installed Capacity via Renewable Energy by 2035	0%	0%	0%							0%
	Reduce Firewood Dependance to 42% by 2024		0%	0%		0%					0%
	Generation capacity Increased to ensure that all demand is met and a 15% reserve margins is maintained		0%		0%	0%					0%
Water	100% Access by 2024		0%		0%	0%	0%				0%
Sanitation	100% Access by 2024		0%		0%	0%	0%				0%
Transport	Improve rural and urban transportation services		0%	0%	0%	0%					0%

7.2.2 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Provided below is the format that has been followed for the KPIs for each Strategic Initiative (Refer *M&E Framework* for detailed KPIs for each Strategic Initiatives). These KPIs need to be added to the relevant performance contracts and functional / personal KPIs of relevant staff members.

Format

Strategic Initiative Name

KPI	Baseline	Target (Overall)	Target (Annual)							
			Y1 (2022-2023)	Y2 (2023-2024)	Y3 (2024-2025)	Y4 (2025-2026)	Y5 (2026-2027)			
(Insert KPI)	(Insert Baseline)	(Insert Overall Target)	(Year 2 Target)	(Year 3 Target)	(Year 4 Target)	(Year 5 Target)	(Year 5 Target)			
(Insert KPI)	(Insert Baseline)	(Insert Overall Target)	(Year 2 Target)	(Year 3 Target)	(Year 4 Target)	(Year 5 Target)	(Year 5 Target)			
(Insert KPI)	(Insert Baseline)	(Insert Overall Target)	(Year 2 Target)	(Year 3 Target)	(Year 4 Target)	(Year 5 Target)	(Year 5 Target)			

8 STRACTION

(Converting \
Strategy to Action)

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- In this module, each of the Strategic Initiatives identified in Modules 3. Sights to Module 7. Systems and Module 9. \$ (Financials) are converted to step-by-step milestones-based action plans.
- In the case of RURA, there are a total of 17 Strategic Initiatives (see below). Refer Implementation Plan from Page 56 to 77 for detailed milestones for each and refer M&E Framework (excel) for Actions under each Milestone and KPIs for each Strategic Initiative

Module 4: Strategy	Module 5: Structure – Staff	Module 6: Sustainability (Environment)
Re-invent the R&D Function	Functional Structure Review	Enabling the Green Agenda
Bridge Regulatory Gaps	Strategy Enabling Competency Development	
Enabling Investments into Sectors		
Optimize Digital Interface – Consumers & Operators		
Advancing Consumer Access and Usage		
Protect Consumer Interests by Ensuring Quality of Service (QoS)		
Enhancing Institutional Collaboration		
Strategic Linking with Development Agencies		
Improve Operations Quality Management		
Strategic Impact Assessment		

Module 8: Systems	Module 9: \$Financials
Operations Digital Transformation	17. Cash Flow & Revenue Optimization
Risk Management Framework	
Performance Management Framework	

• Refer next page for a demonstration of how each of the 17 Strategic Initiatives above link to the RURA's Organizational Goals.

8.1 Strategic Initiatives Linked to Organizational Goals

MTI's 8S®	17 Strategic Initiatives	Organiza	tional Goals						
Module		R&D Goal 1	Legal & Regulatory Goal 2	Licensing Goal 3	Compliance & Enforcement Goal 4	Accessibility Goals 5	Strategic Impact Assessment Goal 6	Capacity Building Goal 7	Financial Sustainability Goal 9
	1. Re-invent the R&D Function	Χ					X	& 8 X	
	Bridge Regulatory Gaps	/	X					^	
	3. Enabling Investments into Sectors		X	X					
	Optimize Digital Interface – Consumers & Operators		/\	X	X	X		X	
	5. Advancing Consumer Access and Usage					X			
Strategy	6. Protect Consumer Interests by Ensuring Quality of Service (QoS)		X	Х	X	Х		X	
	7. Enhancing Institutional Collaboration	Х	Х	Х	Х	Χ			
	8. Strategic Linking with Development Agencies	Χ						Х	Х
	9. Improve Operations Quality Management		Х	Х	Х	Χ		Х	
	10. Strategic Impact Assessment		Х				Χ		
	11. Functional Structure Review							Х	
Structure- Staff	12. Strategy Enabling Competency Development							Х	
Sustainability (Environment)	13. Enabling the Green Agenda	X	X						
	14. Operations Digital Transformation			Х	Х			Х	
Systems	15. Risk Management Framework	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	Χ	Х	Χ
	16. Performance Management Framework	Х	Х	Х	Х	X	Χ	Х	Χ
\$ (Financials)	17. Cash Flow & Revenue Optimization								Х

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Module: 4. Strategy

Strategic Initiative: 1. Re-invent the R&D Function

What? (Scope)	•	R&D (in the case of RURA) include;
		 Proactively monitor, emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities in the sectors that RURA regulates.
		Capture, analyze and report on-time / real-time data related to the sectors.
		Using above, enable Rwanda / RURA to more effectively develop Policies, Laws and Regulations.
Why? (Rationale)		R&D function (as described in the scope above) is critical for RURA to perform its key roles of Regulation, Tariff, Licensing, Compliance and Enforcement.
	•	However, current R&D function at RURA, only addresses routine data collection and analysis for few sectors. Research is only limited to few ad-hoc initiatives.
How? (Measurement)		Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		ne		Achievement (%)		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	1
1	R&D Plan / Charter: Develop R&D Plan / Charter, covering RURA R&D function's – scope, objectives, frameworks / methodologies, strategic partnerships, structure, resourcing plan, systems / technologies, KPIs.	Q1- Q2					
2	Budget: Develop start-up budget for R&D function to execute above plan / charter.	Q3					
3	Approval: Present above plan and budget to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) and get approval.	Q3					
4	Staff / Capacity Gaps: Fill the immediate staff gaps in R&D function (External recruitments or internal rotations) – to execute the R&D Plan.	Q4					
5	Execution Execute the R&D Plan and monitor progress.		Q3- Q4	X	X	X	

Strategic Initiative: 2. Bridge Regulatory Gaps

What? (Scope)	 To undertake a comprehensive critique of the current policies, laws, orders and regulations for each of the sectors that RURA regulates – based on the emerging opportunities, challenges and national expectations. With the intent to identify gaps – based on which; Initiate the need to develop new policies, laws and orders and / or amend the existing ones.
	Develop new regulations, amend existing regulations and in some cases make them redundant.
Why? (Rationale)	RURA regulates, fast-paced and dynamic sectors.
	This dynamic nature, can make existing policies, laws and regulations obsolete, more frequently.
	This has led to the current regulatory gaps in Rwanda (See Appendix 2) and possible futuregaps.
	Need to factor in emerging / futuristic trends into the regulatory development process.
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

	Milestones	Tim	eline				Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Regulatory Mapping Undertake a comprehensive review of regulatory needs (Policies, Laws, Orders, Regulations) - for all the sectors and sub-sectors RURA regulates, based on emerging trends, opportunities, challenges, and national expectations (including regional policy harmonization efforts). Refer 2. Scan Module to supplement above.	Q2					
2	Critique & Gap Identification Based on above, critique the current regulatory environment and identify the gaps (including the gaps that have already been identified). Segment the gaps based on sectors, sub-sectors, and type of instrument (Policy, Law, Order, Regulation).	Q2- Q3					
3	Gap Filling - Policies, Laws, Orders Based on above gaps (in policies, laws and orders), develop and execute a plan to fill the gaps. From initiating the need to submitting to ministry / parliament and getting approval Monitor progress.	Q4	Q1				
4	Gap Filling – Regulations Based on above gaps in #2 (in policies, laws and orders), develop and execute a plan to fill the gaps. From drafting to submitting to Regulatory Board and getting approval Monitor progress.		Q1- Q4	X			
5	Continuous Review & Update Repeat step 1-4 every two years - to ensure regulatory environment is continuously updated – linked to Strategic Initiative: Strategic Impact Assessment.			Х		Х	

Strategic Initiative: 3. Enabling Investments into Sectors

What? (Scope)	RURA could be a key enabler in attracting investments (including FDIs) into Rwanda for the sectors it regulates, by creating a business-friendly regulatory framework and offer incentives with regards to licensing.
Why? (Rationale)	 Rwanda's economy needs a much higher level of investments to develop its key sectors (some of which are regulated by RURA currently). Having a conducive regulatory framework coupled with incentives will be key to enable investments into a country.
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	# Milestones Timel						Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Study Investment Gaps	Q2					
	Conduct a comprehensive study to identify existing investment gaps for all RURA sub-sectors						
2	Study Investment Challenges	Q2-Q3					
	As an extension to the above, conduct a comprehensive study covering inputs from relevant stakeholders and current / potential investors. This study is carried out to help identify and prioritize 'Key Investment Challenges' in the current regulatory environment, licensing and compliance processes, fees and terms (for each sub-sector).						

3	Regulatory Responses to Investment Challenges	Q3-Q4					
	Based on above, develop a plan to resolve the investment challenges using RURA's regulatory framework.						
	Ensure to sync with Strategic Initiative: Bridge Regulatory Gaps.						
4	<u>Approval</u>	Q4					
	Submit the above plan to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) .						
5	<u>Execution</u>		Q1-	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Post-approval, execute the plan 🛮 Monitor progress.		Q4				

Strategic Initiative: 4. Optimize Digital Interface – Consumers & Operators

What? (Scope)	 Optimizing the use of digital channels to interface with both end-consumers and operators – thus ensuring higher service quality, efficiency and complementing RURA's existing marketing / brand-building efforts.
<u>Why?</u> (Rationale)	 Currently RURA is required to interface with end-consumers on consumer awareness / protection related areas and with operators mainly for licensing and compliance. Given the number of sectors RURA is mandated to regulate, manually interfacing with end-consumers and operators on the above will require significant manpower, leading to higher costs and overall inefficiencies.
How? (Measure- ment)	■ Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timeli	ne				Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Touchpoints Mapping	Q1					
	Conduct a comprehensive mapping of all end-consumer and operator touchpoints.						
2	<u>Define Objectives</u>	Q1-Q2					
	Clearly define RURA's strategic objectives with regards to end-consumers and operators. Ensure sync with RURA's existing marketing and brand-building efforts						
3	<u>Prioritize</u>	Q2					
	Based on above, prioritize key touchpoints that warrants digitization.						
4	<u>Validate</u>	Q2					
	Conduct a survey among the end-consumers & operators to validate above prioritization.						
5	<u>Develop Roadmap</u>	Q3					
	Research and develop a roadmap with recommendations on systems, processes, capabilities that will be required (Including the projected budget and timelines).						
	Integrate with back-end digital transformation by linking to Strategic Initiative: <i>Operations Digital Transformation.</i>						

#	Milestones	Timelir	Timeline				Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
6	Feasibility Study Conduct a feasibility study to gauge how feasible (technically and financially) the recommendations are. If external consultants are required, this is subject to DG / Regulatory Board / MC approval.	Q4					
7	Develop Action Plan Post-approval, develop a Detailed Action Plan (including timelines, KPIs and budget).		Q1				
8	Approval After completion of above, submit the roadmap (with changes incorporated) to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) for feedback and approval.		Q1				
9	Execution Execute the Action Plan Monitor progress.		Q1- Q4	Х	X	X	

Strategic Initiative: 5. Advancing Consumer Access and Usage

What? (Scope)	To increase the levels of access and usage of the essential public utilities to the wider population of Rwanda.
	To enable the ability of the wider population to afford these essential services – considering their current socio-economic circumstanc-
	es. This in turn will require, development of affordable tariffs, consumer education and awareness, and investing on accessibility (via
	UAF).
Why? (Rationale)	Ultimately, the core of RURA's existence is to serve Rwandan citizens by ensuring the affordable accessibility of public utilities, thus lead-
	ing to the Socio-economic development of Rwanda.
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timeline			Achieve-		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Study Current Status	Q2-					
	For all the sub-sectors RURA regulates, study the current status of accessibility – including	Q4					
	quantification of current levels, accessibility related challenges, gaps and opportunities.						
	This will require going granular on challenges and identifying the root causes. (Refer 2. Scan						
	Module for some top-line insights)						
2	Strategic Responses						
	Based on above study, identify the aspects that are within RURA's control to develop strategi	c resp	onse	s for a	above	challe	enges and
	opportunities. Given RURA's scope, broadly this will cover Tariff, Consumer Education and UA	۱F.					_
3	Consumer Education		Q1-	Χ	Х	Χ	
	Conduct a consumer survey to identify accessibility related consumer challenges and to		Q4				
	identify any awareness / education gaps related to public utilities (linked to Study in Step 1).						
	Based on above, develop and execute a Communications Plan 🛭 Monitor progress.						

4	Tariff Review and Changes	Q3-	Χ	Χ	Х	
	Undertake a comprehensive review of all the Tariffs RURA set for public utilities. Also, a study on the tariff rates of liberalized markets, to evaluate whether RURA should intervene.	Q4				
	Based on the review, develop and execute a plan to implement any changes required to					
	tariff structures / formulas and rates 🛘 Monitor progress.					
5	Universal Access Fund (UAF)		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Use the study done under step 1 as inputs to strategize new initiatives on Universal Access					
	for ICT.					
	Discuss with Senior Management and Board to develop a similar fund or expand the UAF to					
	cover all key public utilities (such as electricity, water, sanitation)					

Strategic Initiative: 6. Protect Consumer Interests by Ensuring Quality of Service (QoS)

What? (Scope)	 Protect the interests and rights of consumers, by playing the role of the intermediary between consumers and operators. Resolve consumer complaints and ensure consumers receive services as per stipulated quality standards and guidelines.
Why? (Ratio- nale)	 Most of the complaints RURA receives from consumers are on quality-of-service (QoS) related aspects. Need to ensure that these complaints are resolved on-time, in a satisfactory manner and possible future issues are prevented.
How? (Mea- surement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		Timeline				Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Contact Centre Set-up a Contact Centre to ensure effective capture of consumer complaints via both traditional modes (e.g. telephone calls) and digital modes (e.g. social media).	Q1- Q2					
2	Integrated Complaints Management System Develop/purchaseandimplementaConsumerComplaintManagementSystem(with CRM)-integratedwiththesystems of relevant operators and other government institutes Bync with Strategic Initiative: Optimize Digital Interface.	Q3- Q4	Q1- Q2				
3	QoS Review For all sub-sectors, conduct a comprehensive review of current QoS standards and guidelines. This will include;	Q1- Q4					
	 Gaps in available QoS standards and guidelines 						
	 Current QoS compliance levels, challenges and opportunities 						
	 Information / Knowledge gaps among operators leading to poor QoS compliance and fulfilling obligations as alicensee 						
	 License status of operators delivering services to the consumers 						
	 Changing market dynamics and how it could potentially impact QoS expectations 						
	 Consumer expectations and challenges in QoS – linked to the Consumer Survey in step 3 of Strategic Initiative: Advancing Consumer Access and Usage 						
	 Existing / potential consumer feedback mechanisms (including advocacy groups) 						
4	QoS Improvement Plan Based on above review, develop and implement a plan to improve QoS for all sectors and sub-sectors - Including developing / revising QoS Standards and Guidelines 🛘 Monitor progress.		Q1- Q4	X	Χ	Х	

Strategic Initiative: 7. Enhancing Institutional Collaboration

What? (Scope)	 RURA to proactively collaborate with a multitude of Rwandan Government Stakeholders – whose roles has an interface, inter-link and /or overlap with RURA's role. So that all parties concerned can work in synergy and create greater value to the Country, Consumers and Operators.
Why? (Rationale)	 Most sector developmental initiatives will require some degree of collaboration between the key players in Rwandan GovernmentEco-System. RURA can benefit by tapping into the resources and know-how of these organizations, whilst sharing RURA's own expertise withthem. In some cases (where there are overlaps in roles), it would be prudent for RURA to proactively collaborate.
How? (Measure-ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		Timeline			Achieve-	
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment
							(%)
1	Institutional Linking & Collaboration Role	Q4					
	Create a role in RURA's organizational structure, with dedicated focus on establishing and managing institutional collaborations (including to manage Strategic Initiative: Strategic Linking with Development Agencies).						
2	Stakeholder Mapping		Q1				
	Map all the key government stakeholders, their scope and how RURA should collaborate – as per the Sectors (refer Page 41 for sample).						

3	<u>Prioritize</u>	Q1		
	Develop a simple Strategic Collaboration Checklist to prioritize key stakeholders from the mapping conducted above. This checklist should provide clarity on the strategic needs each collaboration would serve.			
4	<u>Tracker Development</u>	Q1		
	Based on above, create a tracker (Excel or IT system) with all key stakeholders and their key contacts, with whom RURA should interface with.			
5	Approach Institutions	Q2-		
	Based on above tracker, approach the institutions and initiate discussions (Involving relevant internal RURA teams).	Q4		

#	Milestones				Achieve- ment		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)
6	Formalize Collaborations		Q4	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Based on the discussions, develop and sign MOUs (Including measures of success for the collaboration).						
7	Manage Collaborations			Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Execute the MOUs and maintain the collaboration. Including triggers in tracker to engage on a frequent basis.						

Strategic Initiative: 8. Strategic Linking with Development Agencies

What? (Scope)	 To identify international development and donor agencies – with whom RURA can collaborate for R&D, Competency Development, Technical Support, Knowledge Sharing and Thought Leadership Initiatives (that will also help to strengthen the corporatebrand position of RURA). Through the above initiatives, to be able to receive funding – in return for the value proposition that RURA will offer these organizations.
Why? (Rationale)	 Many international development and donor agencies are looking to collaborate with / support the sectors that RURA regulates, in particular, the ones that are priorities in their development agenda. Rwanda, as a country, enjoys a positive image for the remarkable post-genocide socio-economic transformation. Within this, RURA is well positioned. With rapid changes taking place in RURA's operating environment and possible impact this will have on RURA's operations and revenue, there is a need for international collaboration and the need for alternate funding sources.
How? (Measure- ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timel	Timeline				Achievement (%)
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	
1	Institutional Linking & Collaboration Role	Q4					
	Create a role in RURA's organizational structure, with dedicated focus on establishing and managing institutional linking and collaborations (including to manage Strategic Initiative: Enhancing Institutional Collaboration).						
2	Development Agency Mapping		Q1				
	Map all the key international and regional development agencies, their scope and how RURA should collaborate – as per the Sectors (refer <i>Page 41</i> for sample).						

3	Tracker Development	Q1		
	Based on above, create a tracker (Excel or IT system) with all key development agencies and their			
	key contacts, with whom RURA should interface with.			
4	Value Proposition / Proposal Development	Q2		
	Based on above agencies and Rwanda's / RURA's needs, develop proposals highlighting why RURA / Rwanda require collaboration / expertise / funding and what's the value proposition RURA			
	/ Rwanda will offer to the Agencies.			

#	Milestones	Timel	Timeline				Achieve-
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
5	Approach Agencies		Q2-	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Approach the Agencies, present the proposals and initiate discussions (Involving rele-		Q4				
	vant internal RURA teams or even other government stakeholders).						

#	Milestones	Timel	Timeline				Achievement (%)
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	
1	Institutional Linking & Collaboration Role	Q4					
	Create a role in RURA's organizational structure, with dedicated focus on establishing and managing institutional linking and collaborations (including to manage Strategic Initiative: Enhancing Institutional Collaboration).						
2	Development Agency Mapping		Q1				
	Map all the key international and regional development agencies, their scope and how RURA should collaborate – as per the Sectors (refer <i>Page 41</i> for sample).						

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3	Tracker Development	Q1			
	Based on above, create a tracker (Excel or IT system) with all key development agencies and their				
	key contacts, with whom RURA should interface with.				
4	Value Proposition / Proposal Development	Q2			
	Based on above agencies and Rwanda's / RURA's needs, develop proposals highlighting why RURA / Rwanda require collaboration / expertise / funding and what's the value proposition RURA				
	/ Rwanda will offer to the Agencies.				

#	Milestones	Timel	ine		Achievement		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)
5	Approach Agencies Approach the Agencies, present the proposals and initiate discussions (Involving relevant internal RURA teams or even other government stakeholders).		Q2- Q4	X	X	X	
6	Formalize and Manage Strategic Partnership Based on the discussions, develop and sign MOUs (Including measures of success for the partnership). Execute MOU and engage on a frequent basis.			X	X	X	

Strategic Initiative: 9. Improve Operations Quality Management

What? (Scope)	 Ensuring that RURA adheres to defined quality standards – in relation to the serving its Customers and Operators (the front-end) and its Operations (the back-end). These quality standards needs to go beyond simple adherence to the QMS, it needs to be an integral part of the organizational culture.
Why? (Rationale)	 Given the breadth of sectors / functions that RURA needs to regulate and the number of interfaces / transactions it needs to manage, there needs to be a disciplined approach to managing quality.
How? (Measure-ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		٦		Achievement (%)		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	
1	Services & Operations Mapping	Q1					
	Conduct a mapping of RURA's services & operations across the value-chain functions and the regulated sectors. Develop ideal standards and study the current level of performance vis-à-vis the QMS system						
2	Baseline Survey on Service Quality and Satisfaction	Q2					
	Conduct a 360-degree Service Quality and Satisfaction Survey - covering a sample of consumers, operators, other external stakeholders (Government institutions) and internal stakeholders (Staff) – to set as the baseline for current service quality.						

3	Quality Improvement Plan Development	Q3-					
	Based on above, develop a plan to improve quality of services and operations – integrated with Quality Management System (QMS) implementation.	Q4					
	This also includes developing Quality Manuals, Reports and Internal Service Level Standards.						
4	Execution		Q1-	Χ			
	Execute the above plan 🛘 Monitor progress of the execution.		Q4				
5	Annual Service Quality and Satisfaction Survey			Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Conduct an Annual Service Quality and Satisfaction Survey – to review the progress of quality improvements and take corrective actions if needed.						

Strategic Initiative: 10. Strategic Impact Assessment

What? (Scope)	 To develop a framework and ensure it is periodically tested – to assess the strategic impact of the role and contribution of RURA to the 'bigger picture' i.e., National Socio-Economic Development. This should strongly link all RURA's key functions to the impact it creates in terms of Socio-Economic Development, either directly or indirectly.
Why? (Rationale)	 Given the intermediary / contributory role of RURA to the national agenda, the importance of a strategic check – to ensure the organizational efforts are converted to impact. This can also help RURA to assess it internal efficiencies and productivity, thus ensuring its focused on the strategic priorities.
How? (Measure-ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		Т	imelir	ne		Achievement (%)
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	
1	Strategic Impact Assessment (SIA) Role						
	Create a role in RURA organizational structure, with dedicated focus on assessing strategic impact of RURA's role and collaborate with other departments / units to improve.						
2	SIA Frameworks						
	For each sector and sub-sector, develop SIA frameworks – covering all RURA key functions. Depending on the function, can go granular and specific.						
3	<u>Approval</u>						
	Present SIA Frameworks to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) and get approval.						
4	Strategic Impact Assessment						
	Conduct SIAs as per the frameworks. Present results to Board, Management and Key Stakeholders.						
5	<u>Decisions and Actions</u>			Χ			
	Decision making and actions based on above SIAs – link to job roles and KPIs of relevant Sectors.						
6	Continuous SIA and Actions			Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Repeat step 4 and 5 above, annually.						

Module: 5. Structure-Staff

Strategic Initiative: 11. Functional Structure Review

What? (Scope)	To review the Functional Organizational Structure of RURA - considering the emerging opportunities, challenges, expectations and implications from this Strategic Plan (to fill-in the vacant positions will be an integral part).
	RURA could choose to review its structure through 2 options;
	Option 1: Ground-zero based Organizational Structure Development
	Option 2: Adjust the Existing Structure
Why? (Rationale)	35 positions in the current legacy structure is vacant and this is impacting both the ability for RURA to discharge its duties and the performance of the current staff (some of whom are overloaded as a result). Enable the accommodation of the positions / roles arising out of this Strategic Plan
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timeline				Achievement	
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)
1	Strategic Plan - Implications for Structure	Q1					
	Conduct a Strategic Plan review covering;						
	RURA Scope as per the sectors and functions						
	All strategic initiatives and their impact on organizational structure and capacity						
	To supplement above, gather inputs and insights from senior management and staff. This can include insights on staff satisfaction, internal co-ordination, communication, and engagement.						

2	Option 1: Ground-zero based Organizational Structure Development	Q1			
	Based on the above review, RURA could choose to develop the organizational structure on a clean- slate basis, without referring to existing structures, functions, designations, and levels.				
3	Option 2: Adjust the Existing Structure	Q1			
	RURA could choose to adjust the current structure to accommodate the positions / roles arising out of this Strategic Plan				
4	Select Option	Q2			
	Based on a thorough evaluation. RURA to choose the best-fit option from the 2 options provided above LGet Regulatory Board approval if applicable				

#	Milestones	Timeline	Timeline				Achievement	
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)	
5	Migration from / Adjustments to the Current Structure	Q2-Q3						
	Migrate from / adjust the current structure, functions, designations and levels including who will be filling which positions.							
6	Approval	Q3-Q4	Q1					
	Present above to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) and get approval and execute the option.							
7	Capacity Gaps Filling	Q4	Q1-					
	Based on the approved structure and current capacity, identify capacity gaps (vacant positions). Develop and execute a plan to fill the capacity gaps (including internal rotations, promotions and external recruitments).		Q2					

8	Engagement Plan	Q3-	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	After above, develop and implement a Staff Engagement Plan (covering internal co-ordination and	Q4				
	communication, based on structure changes) [Monitor progress.					
9	Staff Satisfaction Survey		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Conduct annual staff satisfaction survey to assess internal satisfaction levels on structure, capacity, competencies, engagement / coordination and systems.					

Module: 5. Structure-Staff

Strategic Initiative: 12. Strategy Enabling Competency Development

What? (Scope)	 Mapping and identifying the Competencies that RURA needs to have in place – to meet the emerging opportunities, challenges and expectations. Based on the above, map RURA's existing competencies, thus identifying the Competency Gaps – that needs to be developed and /or acquired. This will be followed by Competency Development (Training).
Why? (Rationale)	 RURA is required to acquire and improve strategy-critical competencies to meet the future challenges and opportunities addressed in this Strategic Plan. This has a direct impact on both RURA's staff performance and the ability to implement the Strategic Plan.
How? (Measure- ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Time	eline				Achievement
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)
1	Competency Mapping	Q1					
	ConductacomprehensivemappingofRURA's existing and required competencies – covering all functions (for each sub-sector if relevant) Refer framework in <i>Page 47</i> as a guide.						
2	Competency Gaps Prioritization	Q2					
	Based on above, identify and prioritize competency gaps to be addressed.						
3	Develop Training & Development Plan	Q3					
	Based on above, develop a detailed Training & Development Plan (including resourcing plan, KPIs, budgets and timelines).						
4	<u>Approval</u>	Q4					
	Submit the plan to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) for feedback and approval.						
5	<u>Execute</u>		Q1-	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Post-approval, execute the plan 🏻 Monitor progress.		Q4				

Module: 6. Sustainability (Environment)

Strategic Initiative: 13. Enabling the Green Agenda

What? (Scope)	 Enable the adoption of environmentally sustainable practices – among Consumers and Operators via RURA's regulatory role and how it conducts its day-to-day operations. Through its regulatory role, RURA could initiate the need for environmentally sustainable policies, laws and develop appropriate regulations. As an organization, RURA could encourage sustainable practices by how it performs its day-to-day operations such as Licensing, Compliance, Enforcement, etc.
Why? (Rationale)	 The criticality of sustainable practices – given the impact it has on Rwanda's environment. The vantage position that RURA is in, to be able to influence sustainability practices among a significant proposition of the Consumers and Organizations in Rwanda.
How? (Measurement)	 Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timel	Timeline				Achieve-		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)		
1	Study National Environmental Plans		Q1						
	Study Rwanda's national plans on environmental sustainability and current challenges, gaps and opportunities. Including best practices from other national regulators on promoting Green Agenda.								
2	Regulatory Responses		Q1-						
	Based on above, develop a plan to accelerate Rwanda's national plans and resolve challenges / gaps - using RURA's regulatory role and framework. Ensure sync with Strategic Initiative: Bridge Regulatory Gaps.		Q2						

3	<u>Approval</u>	Q3				
	Submit the above plan to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) for feedback and approval.					
4	Execution	Q3-	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Post-approval, execute the plan 🏻 Monitor progress.	Q4				

Module: 7. Systems

Strategic Initiative: 14. Operations Digital Transformation

What? (Scope)	To carry out an organization-wide, comprehensive digital transformation of RURA's back-end operations leading to the elimination of both human and process inefficiencies.
Why? (Rationale)	The current level of digitization is inadequate given the number of sectors that RURA must regulate and the type of functions that RURA is expected to perform for the sectors it regulates.
How? (Measure-ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		ine	Achieve-			
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Process Mapping & Review	Q1					
	Undertake a comprehensive mapping of all the back-end processes at RURA. Clearly define objectives on operational efficiency and existing operational pain points. Based						
	on which a thorough review is to be conducted for each process to evaluate its current efficiency, quality and relevance.						

2	<u>Prioritize</u>	Q1-					
	Based on above, identify and prioritize key processes to be digitally transformed / op-	Q2					
	timized. Including the already identified digitization initiatives / systems (Refer Appen-						
	dix 3 for the list).						
3	<u>Develop Roadmap</u>	Q3					
	Based on above, develop a roadmap with recommendation (including projected bud-						
	get and timelines). Ensure sync with Strategic Initiative: Optimize Digital Interface –						
	Consumers & Operators.						
4	<u>Feasibility Study</u>	Q3-					
	Conduct a feasibility study to gauge how feasible (technically and financially) the rec-	Q4					
	ommendations are. If external consultants are required, this is subject to DG / Regula-						
	tory Board / Management Committee approval.						
5	<u>Develop Action Plan</u>	Q4					
	Post-approval, develop a Detailed Action Plan (including timelines, KPIs and budget).						
6	<u>Approval</u>		Q1				
	After completion of above, submit the roadmap (with changes incorporated) to the						
	appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) for feed-						
	back and approval.						
7	<u>Execute</u>		Q1-	X	X	Χ	
	Execute the Action Plan IMonitor progress.		Q4				

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Strategic Initiative: 15. Risk Management Framework

What? (Scope)	Identifying the potential risks that RURA is likely to encounter and proactively mitigating them hence in the event of encountering the risk, RURA can minimize its negative impact to itself and its stakeholders.
Why? (Rationale)	Given the dynamics in RURA's operating environment, risks are likely to occur, and it is important for RURA to be able to respond effectively with minimum damage.
How? (Measure-ment)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones	Timeline			Achievement		
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	(%)
1	Risk Management Role	Q4					
	Create a role in RURA organizational structure, with dedicated focus on risk						
	management.						
2	Risk Management Framework		Q1				
	Develop a comprehensive Risk Management Framework for RURA, covering						
	all its functions (by Sectors / sub-sectors if relevant). Refer framework in						
	Page 50 as a guide.						
3	Risks Identification		Q1-				
	Based on above framework, identify and prioritize key strategic risks for		Q2				
	RURA.						

4	Risk Mitigation Plan	Q3-				
	For each identified strategic risk above, develop a detailed risk mitigation	Q4				
	plan.					
5	<u>Approval</u>		Χ			
	Present outcomes from step 2-4 above to the appropriate approval point					
	(Regulatory Board / Management Committee) for feedback / approval.					
6	<u>Execution</u>		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Execute the risk mitigation plans. This could include changes to RURA's pro-					
	cesses, policies, compliance, governance, systems and even resourcing 🛭					
	Monitor progress.					
7	Annual Review		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	Review / the Risk Management Framework annually and repeat step 3-6.					

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Strategic Initiative: 16. Performance Management Framework

What? (Scope)	To develop comprehensive evaluation framework, that will facilitate RURA to effectively monitor its performance with regards to implementation of this strategic plan and take remedial actions. There are two aspects in this Performance Management Framework:
	M&E Framework for Strategic Plan Implementation (Excel)
	KPIs arising from Strategic Initiatives – Refer M&E Framework
Why? (Rationale)	To ensure that RURA's staff efforts are focused on achieving the goals recommended in the Strategic Plan.
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestones		ne	Achieve-			
		Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Performance Management Framework	Q1					
	Appreciate and validate the M&E Framework (Excel) and KPIs in the framework.						
	RURA can expand / revise both as necessary.						
2	<u>Approval</u>	Q1					
	Get approval from the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee).						
3	Revise Performance Contracts and KPIs	Q2					
	Based on the responsibilities (Strategic Plan Implementation) and KPIs above, revise RURA's internal performance contracts and functional / personal KPIs.						
4	Team Briefing / Training on M&E Framework	Q2					
	Detailed briefing / training to the project champions who are supposed to implement the respective Strategic Initiatives - by Consultant and RURA Planning, M&E Team.						
5	Monitor & Evaluate	Q2	Х	Х	Х	Х	
	Monitor and evaluate the Strategic Plan implementation as per M&E Framework. Assess the KPIs achievement (For the KPIs arising from Strategic Plan – <i>Refer M&E Framework</i>).						

Module: 9. \$ (Financials)

Strategic Initiative: 17. Cash Flow & Revenue Optimization

What? (Scope)	To short-term invest the idle cash with RURA, including the idle amounts in the Universal Access Fund.
	Identify revenue reductions / leakages and address
Why? (Rationale)	Currently RURA has excess cash that could be utilized more profitably via investment options.
	RURA also needs to bridge any revenue reductions / leakages to mitigate any adverse impact on the overall financial sustainability
How? (Measurement)	Refer 1.1 KPIs for Strategic Initiatives in the M&E Framework

#	Milestone 5	Timeline					Achieve-
			Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	ment (%)
1	Cash Flow Forecast	Q1					
	Develop a short-term (6-12 months) cash flow forecast for RURA.						
	Based on above, identify the amount RURA can invest and amount RURA need to keep at hand (to pay construction expenses and other immediate expenses).						
2	Investment Options	Q2	İ				
	Based on above amount RURA can invest, develop and evaluate the investment options for RURA.						
	This could include investing on;						
	 RURA core operations – UAF projects 						
	 RURA capacity building (staff, training, consultancy, technology systems etc.) 						
	 Short-medium term financial instruments – Deposits, Bonds 						
3	Revenue Forecast	Q3					
	Appreciate the financial forecast provided to RURA by the consultant. Identify and study the potential revenue reductions / leakages						
4	Revenue Bridging Options	Q4					
	Identify initiatives that will enable RURA to address the leakages and reductions identified above						
5	Board Decision & Approval	Q4					
	Present above 1 and 2 to the to the appropriate approval point (Regulatory Board / Management Committee) and decide on the investment options to pursue.						
6	<u>Execution</u>		Q1-	Х	Χ	Χ	
	Execute the above decided investment options. Link to KPIs of relevant departments / units.		Q4				

Appendix

Appendix 1 | Key Sector Achievements – During Strategic Plan Implementation (2017-2020)

ICT (Including Media & Broadcasting, Postal & E-Commerce)

- Rate of compliance increased from 65% to 81.5% due to strengthened compliance monitoring and enforcement
- The acquisition of Tigo Rwanda by Airtel Rwanda reducing number of Mobile Network Operators (MNO) in Rwanda to 2
- Mobile telephone subscriptions increased from 8.8 million in 2017 to 9.9 million in 2020 – 12.5% growth
- Internet service subscriptions increased from 4.4 million in 2017 to 7.9 million in 2020
 79.5% growth
- 4G LTE Technology is deployed on 94.2% of geographic coverage and 96.6% of population coverage
- Construction and operationalization of 10 sites in national parks of Akagera, Virunga, and Nyungwe Forest
- Rwf 200 million was allocated to increase smartphone penetration in Rwanda, via Universal Access Fund (UAF)
- Identified 68 potential sites as nominal points to increase ICT accessibility. The project which will be funded by UAF is valued at Rwf 3.5 billion

Energy (Electricity, Downstream Petroleum & Gas, Nuclear & Radiation)

- 11 new electricity generation licenses were issued with 20.8 MW capacity
- National grid capacity increased from 208.3 MW in 2017 to 228.1 MW in 2020 9.5% growth
- Total electricity generation increased from 781,501 MWh to 872,646 MWh (11.7% growth) while active customers connected to the grid increased from 811,129 to 1,092,168 34.6%
- The total experienced outages were reduced from 7,471 to 2,460 (67.1% decline) and cumulative hours the outage lasted reduced from 2,372.5 to 1,488 hours (37.3% decline)

- Over 100 LPG business licenses and service station installation licenses were granted
- Total capacity of LPG storage plants increased from 298 MT in 2017 to 693.7 MT in 2020 – 132.8% growth
- Nuclear & Radiation Protection department was started in 2018 to regulate radiation sector

Water & Sanitation

- Water production increased by from 47,709,233 m3 in 2017 to 53,245,484 m3 in 2020
 11.6% growth
- For rural water supply, 42 new licenses were granted to private service providers and 9 licenses surrendered
- 81 new licenses were granted for sanitation services and 5 new licenses were granted for solid waste management
- The number of customers has increased from 191,684 in 2017 to 230,190 in 2020 –
 20.1% growth
- All 27 Districts have established District WASH Boards and 20 Districts have in place WATSAN officers
- Public Private Partnership Agreement (PPA Amendment) was agreed between the Government of Rwanda, WASAC Ltd and Kigali Water Ltd (KWL) for the construction of a bulk water treatment facility of 40,000 m3/day

Transport

- Number of licensed operators in road transport (passenger and goods) and waterways transport increased significantly
- New ICT Applications were introduced in the sector
 - Electronic Ticketing Systems for inter– city buses
 - Mobile phone-based Booking Systems
 - Automated Fare Collection System use in the City of Kigali buses
 - Free Wi-Fi in Kigali City Buses and Internet services in Taxi parks
 - Driver Vocational Cards (DVCs) to monitor behaviors of public transport drivers

- Created a real-time dashboard that collects and visualizes data from e-Ticketing systems. The system allows data visualizations for transport planning purposes
- Introduced an online system of licensing motorcycles through Irembo platform
- RURA in collaboration with stakeholders conducted inspections and approved speed governor gadgets of Sieco 2020 Ltd and Sator Rwanda Ltd

Source: Situational Analysis – Strategic Plan 2017- 2020 (RURA)

Appendix 2 | Gaps in Regulatory Framework

ICT, Media, Postal

- Presidential Order establishing the Universal Access fund in ICT sector
- Prime Minister's order determining the specific responsibilities of RURA regarding Media
- Draft Prime Minister Order determining the list of reserved postal services provided by the operator in charge of the universal postal services
- Draft Prime Minister Order designating the universal postal services operator
- Ministerial Order on radio communication fees
- ICT Policy

Energy, Water & Sanitation

- Draft Law governing gas sector
- Draft Ministerial Order determining categories of licenses for petroleum and petroleum products trade
- Draft Ministerial Order determining the minimum quantity to maintain in the stocks and modalities for the release and sale of the government strategic stock
- Draft Ministerial Order determining the scale of price of petroleum and petroleum products
- Draft Law governing water supply services in Rwanda
- Petroleum Product Trade Policy
- Water Supply Policy
- Sanitation Policy

Transport

- Draft Law governing road transport in Rwanda
- Draft Law governing inland waterways
- Transport Policy and Strategy

Note: Gaps as at June 2021.

The above regulatory gaps will be reviewed and updated accordingly as per Strategic Initiative: Bridge Regulatory Gaps

Milestone #1. Regulatory Mapping

Systems & Initiatives

- Converged licensing Management System (90% done) need to be integrated with SAP
- SAP B1and S/4 Hana
- Microsoft exchange server 2013 integrated with AD
- Active Directory and NAC
- Drivers/Conductors Vocational Cards Management System
- Payment Gateway
- SMS Gateway
- IGTVS: International Gateway Traffic Verification System
- M3: Mobile Money Monitoring
- SMMS: Spectrum Monitoring and Management System.
- Bus Information System
- GIS-Mapping System
- Attendance System
- Security Access Control
- Extra SIM Registration
- Online Interference Complaint Form
- IMEI VERIFICATION SYSTEM
- E-procurement
- RURA Website

- Printing Server
- Event Management System,
- E-Recruitment
- Hadoop for CDR-data analyses
- E-Ticketing
- Mobile Money Analytics

Appendix 3 | RURA Technology Systems - Current & Planned

Planned Systems, Initiatives & Gaps

- Corporate Digitization 0%-5% progress
- Financials (including but not limited to Purchasing and Procurement, Asset Management, Materials Management, Inventory Management)
- Human Capital Management module (including but not limited to E-Recruitment, Employee Self-service, Payroll Engine, Personnel Management, Leaves Management, Talent Management, Career Progression)
- Corporate Planning (Strategic & Annual Planning)
- Document & Workflow Management
- Mobility Management
- Integrated Business Data Warehouse (DWH)
- Customer Relationship Management— CRM (CRM Service,
- CRM Channels, Interaction Center)
- Integration with third party systems and data acquisition from operators

Emerging Tech Initiatives

- Al, IoT and MR initiatives
- Big Data Analytics
- To store Telecom data for 20 Years
- Hosting the Smart Transport Initiatives
- Smart Africa
- Satellite Data

Appendix 4 | Strategic Plan 2017-2020 – Strategic Goals Achievement | Detailed Breakdown

Strategic Goal	Strategic Outcome	Targets	Progress
1. Interests Of Regulated	1. All consumer complaints responded to in the shortest time possible	100% of complaints resolved	92%
Services Users Protected	2. Increased affordability and availability of regulated services	10% annual increase in water production	60%
Trotected		10% annual increase in population with access to affordable clean water	80%
		10% increment in number of routes in urban and rural areas	53%
		5% annual increase in number of subscribers with internet subscription	85%
		100% annual increase in mobile money transactions	94%
	Overall Achievement	77%	
	Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Tot	28%	

1. Increase in number of licenses issued and increase regulated services cover-	10% annual	100%
age	increase in	
10% annual increment in number of water subscribers	electricity	
10% annual increment in number of water subscribers	subscribers	
10% annual increment in number of operators' fleet	50%	
100% mobile penetration across the country	45%	
	83%	
10% annual increase in internet penetration	85%	
2. Higher level of compliance among the service providers	100% com-	100%
	pliance by	
	the service	
	providers	
3. Increased quality of regulated services	30% annual	75%
0% annual increment in quality water production	increase in	
10% annual merement in quanty water production	production	
	of quality	
	electricity	
	40%	
Overall Achievement	73%	
Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Total Estimated Budget for the Goal)	264%	

Appendix 4 | Strategic Plan 2017-2020 – Strategic Goals Achievement | Detailed Breakdown

Strategic Goal	Strategic Outcome	Targets	Prog- ress	
3. RURA Contributes to the National,	1. Increased in coverage of regulated services	20% increase in regulated public utilities services in the rura		
Regional And Inter- national Long Term	2. Enhanced regional and international relations		89%	
Development Goals	Overall Achievement			
	Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Total Estimated Budget for the Goal)		93%	
4. Regulated Services Sectors' Le-	1. Improved processing of legal tools	100% acceptance of proposal for draft laws by line ministries	72%	
gal Framework is Strengthened		100% guideline, regulations and policies covering all regulated public utilities	74%	
	2. Legal function successfully handles all litigation cases	·	76%	
	Overall Achievement		75%	
	Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Total	al Estimated Budget for the Goal)	27%	
5. RURA Research	1. Data available for analysis	100% of regulated services have available data	45%	
And Development Function is Estab-	2. Better decisions made on public utilities regulations	100% of research reports shared	25%	
lished and Function-	Overall Achievement		35%	
	Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Total	al Estimated Budget for the Goal)	0.7%	

Appendix 4 | Strategic Plan 2017-2020 – Strategic Goals Achievement | Detailed Breakdown

Strategic Goal	Strategic Outcome	Targets	Progress
6. RURA's Institu-	1. Staff motivation and retention im-	85% staff satisfaction by 2020	80%
tional Capacity	proved		
Strengthened	2. Service delivery and reporting speed	90% service delivery time by 2020	70%
	improved	100% of RURA services automated	63%
	3. RURA technical capacity improved	100% purchase of technical tools by 2020	86%
		100% completion of building construction by 2019	55%
	4. Prompt decision making	100% of reporting within deadlines	80%
	Overall Achievement	72%	
	Overall Executed Budget (as a % of Total E	51%	

Source: Situational Analysis – Strategic Plan 2017-2020, Strategic Plan Evaluation (RURA)

Appendix 5 | List of External Stakeholders interfaced with as part of the Strategy Development process

Ministry of ICT & Innovation (MINICT)

Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA) – Energy

Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA) – WATSAN

Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA) – Transport

Ministry of Commerce (MINICOM)

Rwanda Information Society Authority (RISA)

Rwanda Space Agency (RSA)

Rwanda Inspectorate, Competition and Consumer Protection Authority (RICA)

Rwanda Standard Board (RSB)

Water and Sanitation Corporation (WASAC)

MTN Rwanda

Airtel Rwanda

AC Group

Rwanda Governance Board (RGB)

East African Communication Organization (EACO)

Rwanda Consumer's Rights Protection Organization (ADECOR)

Rwanda Development Board

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