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Sponsorship of the IEEE Connecting the Unconnected Challenge and Summit will showcase your company's leadership and innovation in the important work of connecting the nearly 3 billion people who still don't have access to the Internet*. This global IEEE competition will invite solutions from start-ups, grassroots organizations, university projects, and others that are working to bridge the digital divide in innovative ways.

Increased connectivity provides life-changing benefits to communities while expanding markets. Internet access provides unconnected populations opportunities for health, education, and economic progress, and research shows that each additional 10% of internet penetration adds 1.2% to per capita GDP growth in emerging markets**.

The Challenge will culminate in an IEEE Future Networks event, the Connecting the Unconnected Summit, which will convene experts and thought leaders to present and network on the issue of Internet connectivity. Be part of the conversation with regulators, standards setting bodies, and other companies paving the way for increased broadband access!

Sponsors are provided visibility on Challenge and Summit materials, and elite level patrons will be among the distinguished speakers at the Summit. At the highest level of patronage, your company name is included in an award. Your support will allow us to increase and enhance the prizes for the winning solutions.

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The speaker and attendee list will feature innovators, regulators, multinational companies, standards-setting bodies, and nonprofits dedicated to Internet connectivity and inclusion. Attendees can expect a robust program of keynotes, invited talks, panels, and presentations from winners and mentees of the IEEE Connecting the Unconnected Challenge.

DIAMOND Limited availability — $5,000

- Keynote speaking position at Connecting the Unconnected Regional Summit
- Special recognition from IEEE Future Networks host at start of event
- Company logo on Connecting the Unconnected web site, literature, promotions, and at event
- Recognition in social media outreach
- Exhibit table
- Four items in event bag

PLATINUM Limited availability — $2,500

- Invited Talk at Connecting the Unconnected Summit
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