

## RESOLUTION ITU-R 61-1

### **ITU-R's contribution in implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society**

(2012-2015)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

*considering*

- a)* the relevant outcomes of both phases of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS);
- b)* the relevant resolutions and decisions related to the implementation of relevant outcomes of both phases of WSIS adopted at the Plenipotentiary Conference (Busan, 2014):
  - i)* Resolution 71 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on the strategic plan of the Union for 2016-2019;
  - ii)* Resolution 139 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on telecommunications/information and communication technologies to bridge the digital divide and build an inclusive information society;
  - iii)* Resolution 140 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on ITU's role in implementing the WSIS outcomes;
- c)* the role of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R) in ITU's implementation of relevant WSIS outcomes, adaptation of ITU's role and development of telecommunication standards in building the information society, including in the implementation of Action Lines C2 (Information and communication infrastructure), C5 (Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs) and C6 (Enabling environment) of the Tunis Agenda, which includes the development of broadband communications and the use of radiocommunication/ICT facilities for disaster prevention and mitigation in emergency situations and climate change,

*recognizing*

- a)* Resolution 30 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC);
- b)* that the Council established a Working Group on WSIS (WG-WSIS) to oversee all ITU activities for WSIS implementation;
- c)* Resolution 75 (Rev. Dubai, 2012) of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA), on ITU-T's contribution in implementing the WSIS outcomes and the establishment of a dedicated group on Internet-related public policy issues as an integral part of WG-WSIS;
- d)* the relevant decisions of the 2015 session of the ITU Council, including Resolutions 1332 (C11, last amended C15) and 1334 (C11, last amended C15);
- e)* the programmes, activities and regional initiatives being carried out in accordance with the decisions of WTDC-10 for bridging the digital divide;
- f)* the relevant work already accomplished or still to be carried out by ITU under the guidance of WG-WSIS for implementation of the WSIS outcomes,

*noting*

- a) that the ITU Secretary-General created the ITU WSIS Task Force, whose role is to formulate strategies and coordinate ITU's policies and activities in relation to WSIS, as noted by Council Resolution 1282 (Rev. 2008);
- b) that Resolution 140 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, resolved that ITU should complete the report on the implementation of WSIS outcomes concerning ITU in 2014,

*resolves*

- 1 to continue ITU-R's work on WSIS implementation and follow-up activities within its mandate;
- 2 that ITU-R should carry out those activities that come within its mandate and participate with other stakeholders, as appropriate, in the implementation of all relevant action lines and other WSIS outcomes,

*instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau*

- 1 to provide WG-WSIS with a comprehensive summary of ITU-R activities on implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the resolutions of the Plenipotentiary Conference and the Council;
- 2 to incorporate work on the implementation of WSIS outcomes in the Sector's operational plan, in accordance with Resolution 140 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- 3 to take appropriate action for the implementation of this resolution,

*invites Member States and Sector Members*

- 1 to submit contributions to relevant ITU-R study groups and the Radiocommunication Advisory Group on the implementation of WSIS outcomes within ITU's mandate;
- 2 to support and collaborate with the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau in implementing relevant WSIS outcomes in ITU-R.