

## **World Telecommunication Development Conference**

RESOLUTION 54 (Rev. Hyderabad, 2010)

### **Information and communication technology applications**

The World Telecommunication Development Conference (Hyderabad, 2010),

#### *Recalling*

a) Resolution 54 (Doha, 2006) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC);

b) Action Line C7 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, covering the following ICT applications:

- e-government
- e-business
- e-learning
- e-health
- e-employment
- e-environment
- e-agriculture
- e-science,

#### *Considering*

a) the lessons learned from the implementation of Action Line C7 of the Tunis Agenda;

b) that the goal of using and disseminating information and communication technology (ICT) is to bring benefits in all aspects of our daily life, and that ICTs are enormously important in facilitating citizens' access to these applications;

c) that the sharing of infrastructure, when employed to support these applications, will lead to considerable savings in the cost of provision;

d) that the dissemination of these applications must give due regard to local needs in terms of language, culture and sustainable development;

e) that one of the principal advantages of satellite is access to remote, local communities without increased connection costs due to distance or to the geographical features of the areas in which the societies are located;

f) that the security and privacy of these applications require the building of confidence in the use of ICT for this purpose,

*resolves to instruct the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau*

1 to continue to conduct detailed studies on these various applications, relying upon the expertise acquired in the implementation of Action Line C7, taking into consideration the means available for implementation (whether wireline, wireless, terrestrial, satellite, fixed, mobile, narrowband or broadband), and giving priority to e-government, without however neglecting the other applications;

2 to take into consideration the importance of the security and confidentiality of these applications and of protection of privacy in some applications;

3 to support projects relating to these applications through strategic partnerships;

4 to increase technical support and training for these various applications;

5 to give priority to international and regional initiatives in this field and encourage cooperation;

6 to continue to make these applications a major strand for the activities of the relevant programme and to focus on its key role for the implementation of Question 17 of Study Group 2 in relation to e-government for the previous and forthcoming study periods;

7 to circulate the outputs of these applications on a regular basis to all Member States;

8 to continue to inform forthcoming WTDCs of the lessons learned in relation to these applications and of any amendments the Director may propose with a view to updating this resolution.