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| Further Development of the Itu-R Documents  DATABASE SEARCH FACILITY | |

# 1 Background

At the 19th meeting of the RAG, the RAG invited the Director of BR to develop the ITU‑R documents database that will allow searching for a Recommendation in a given frequency band, preferably in combination with information about the radio service and the application covered by the Recommendation.

Japan has continuously supported the activities of BR to encourage and expedite the construction of the database and the development of the search function by granting voluntary a contribution to BR in March 2014, and submitting the contribution (Document RAG14-1/3) to the 21st meeting of the RAG.

In response, BR has worked on developing the database equipped with the various search functions which are described in the contribution from the Director of BR (Document RAG15-1/2). On the ITU website, ITU members can currently try the demo version of the database, which has a filtering function for ITU-R Recommendations by frequency range and metadata, to check and make comments.

Japan strongly supports the achievements and the efforts BR has made.

# 2 Proposal

To further enhance the usability of the database, Japan invites BR:

1) to review the possibility of providing the functions proposed in Document RAG14-1/3 and Document RAG14-1/17 as well as those in the W3C accessibility;

2) to set up and operate a database maintenance system, and to keep the database updated to reflect new documents promptly, if they are published;

3) to keep working on developing the database, in order to enhance convenience for ITU members, as well as to conduct a periodical demand survey on database search function and user interface, and to respond to the requirements, if the requirements are appropriate and reasonable, for the sake of the entire ITU membership;

4) to keep working on increasing data search efficiency of the entire ITU, by providing know-how on developing the database to ITU-T and/or ITU-D departments, if required;

5) to establish a coordination framework with external standardization organizations on mutual use of the databases, if appropriate;

6) to draw up a working plan for the implementation and progress management in order to achieve the proposals written above and to report on the status of the progress to RAG meetings.

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