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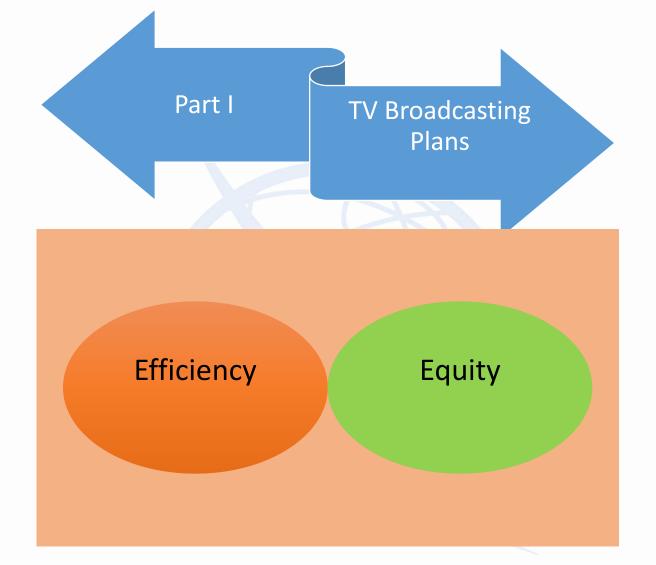
## Frequency plans for broadcasting services

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## **OVERVIEW**



- Regional Plans
- Regional Plans concerning TV broadcasting
- Modifications to the Plans
- Useful links

## **REGIONAL PLANS**

#### **Definition**



- Regional agreements for:
  - specific frequency bands
  - specific region/area
  - specific services
- Adopted by Regional Conferences (technical criteria + frequency plans).
- Types of Plans:
  - Assignment Plans (stations)
  - Allotment Plans (geographical areas)

## TV REGIONAL PLANS

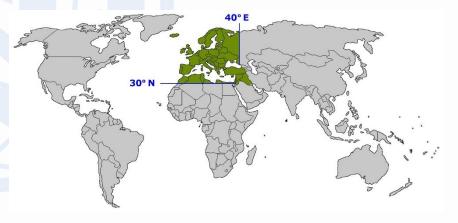


- Regional Plans (in force) that concern television broadcasting:
  - Stockholm 1961 modified in 2006 (ST61)
  - Geneva 1989 modified in 2006 (**GE89**)
  - Geneva 2006 (GE06)
- > Article 4: Procedure to make changes to the Plan
- Article 5: Notification of assignments to the MIFR when they are put into service

## **REGIONAL PLANS: ST61**



- > ST61: Stockholm 1961 modified in 2006
  In 2006 the bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz were transferred to GE06 Plan
- Assignment Plan
- Region: European Broadcasting Area (EBA)
- **Bands:** 
  - Band I: 47-68 MHz
  - Band II: 87.5-100 MHz
  - Band III: 162-174 MHz
- > Services:
  - Broadcasting (sound and television)



## **REGIONAL PLANS: GE89**



- ➤ GE89: Geneva 1989 modified in 2006
  In 2006 the bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz were transferred to GE06 Plan
- Assignment Plan
- Region: African Broadcasting Area(ABA)
- **Bands:** 
  - Band I: 47-68 MHz
  - Band III: 230-238 and 246-254 MHz
- > Services:
  - Broadcasting (television only)



## **REGIONAL PLANS: GE06**



- 2 plans: Analogue and digital
  - Analogue plan: Assignments (television)
  - Digital plan: Assignments and allotments (sound and television)
  - List of frequency assignments for other primary services
- Region: Region I (except the territories of Mongolia) and the Islamic Republic of Iran
- **Bands:** 
  - Band III: 174-230 MHz\*
     (\*for Morocco 170-230 MHz)
  - Band IV: 470-582 MHz
  - Band V: 582-862 MHz
- Services:
  - Broadcasting:
    - Digital sound
    - Analogue and digital television
  - Other primary services

#### **MODIFICATIONS TO THE PLANS**

#### **Article 4: Definition**



- > Agreements (ST61, GE89 and GE06):
  - Modify the technical characterisitics of an assignment/allotment already existing in the Plan.
  - Add an assignment/allotment to the Plan.
  - Add to the Plan an assignment stemming from an allotment already existing in the Plan (GE06).
  - Delete an assignment/allotment from the Plan.

## **MODIFICATIONS TO THE PLANS**



## Article 4: General Procedure

#### **Submission**

An Administration submits to the BR some proposed modifications to the Plan



#### **Publication in Part A**

BR identifies potentially affected administrations and publishes (modifications + affected administrations) in the BRIFIC (Part A of the corresponding Special Section).



#### Coordination

Period to reach agreement between notifier and affected administrations.



#### **Publication in Part B**

If an agreement is reached, BR publishes the modifications to the Plan in the BRIFIC (Part B of the corresponding Special Section) and the modifications are recorded into the Plan.



## Master Register (Article 5)

When putting the station in operation, the administration should notify the BR in order to include the station in the Master Register

### **USEFUL LINKS**



Frequency Plans:

www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/broadcast/Pages/FMTV.aspx

Article 4 procedure (flowchart):

www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/broadcast/plans/Documents/GE06%20Art4.pdf

Final Acts:

GE06: www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.14-2006

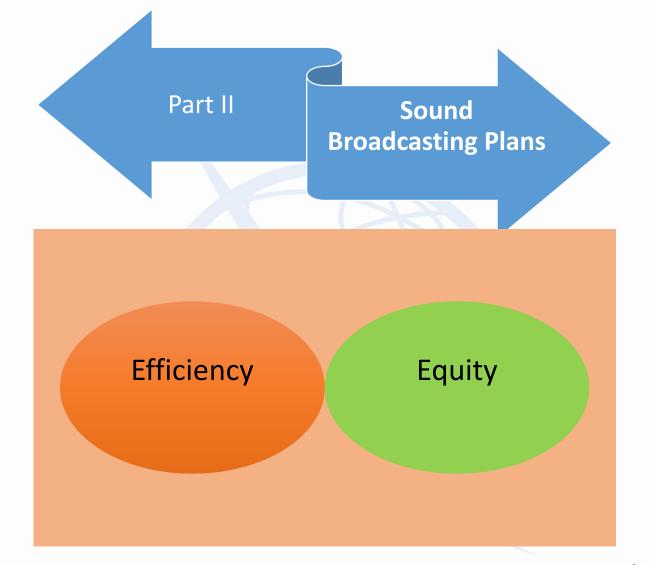
GE89: www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.11-1989

Revision of GE89: www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.16

ST61: www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.1-1961

Revision of ST61: <a href="https://www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.15-2006">www.itu.int/pub/R-ACT-RRC.15-2006</a>







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#### **Overview**

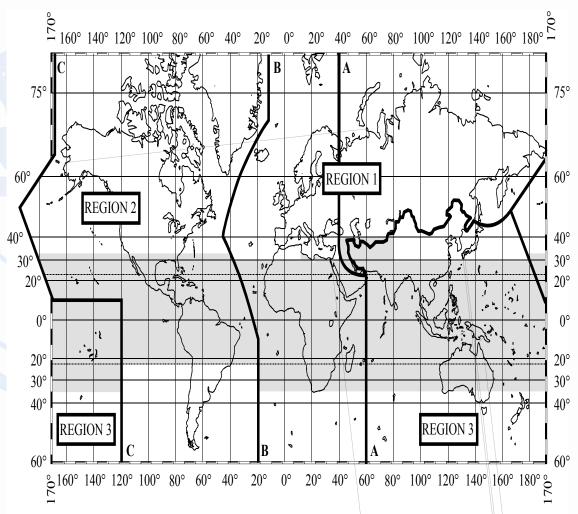


- > ITU Regions
- ➤ LF/MF bands allocated to the broadcasting service and Regional Sound Broadcasting Plans
- > Basis and Modifications to Broadcasting Plans
- Notification of frequency assignments to the Master Register

# Low and Medium Frequency bands allocated to the broadcasting service and covered by a Regional Sound Broadcasting Plan

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Frequency Band, kHz	R1	R2	R3
148.5-283.5			
535-1605			
1605-1606.5			
1606.5-1705			

Colored box – the band is allocated to broadcasting and covered by a RSBP Not colored – the band is not allocated to broadcasting in the appropriate ITU Region



The shaded part represents the Tropical Zones as defined in Nos. 5.16 to 5.20 and 5.21.



## Regional Sound Broadcasting Plans Summary



Band	Frequency band	Region/	Plan
	(kHz/MHz)	Geographical	
		zone	
LF	148.5 – 283.5 kHz	R1	GE75
MF	526.5 – 1606.5 kHz	R1 and R3	GE75
	535 – 1605 kHz	R2	RJ81
	1605 – 1705 kHz	R2	RJ88
VHF	47 – 68 MHz	EBA	<b>ST61</b>
	87.5 – 108 MHz	R1+IRN+AFG	GE84
	(170 mrc) 174 – 230 MHz	R1-MNG+IRN	GE06

Plan	Assignments/Allotments	
Stockholm-61	Assignments only	
Geneva-75	Assignments only	
Rio de Janeiro-81	Assignments only	
Geneva-84	Assignments only	
Rio de Janeiro-88	Allotments only	
Geneva-06	Assignments and Allotments	



## **Basis of Broadcasting Plans**



Regional Radiocommunication Conferences steps

> First session – adopt technical planning criteria

Second session – adopt Agreements containing frequency Plans Modifications to Broadcasting Plans

Add a new assignment/allotment

Modify a recorded assignment/allotment

Suppress a recorded assignment/allotment

Identification of affected administrations

Distance to the nearest boundary: ST-61, GE84 Plans

Potential for interference to assignments/allotments recorded in the Plan: GE-75, RJ-81, RJ-88

Field strength at border: GE-06



## **Article 4 - General procedure**



BR publishes in Part A of a Special Section Affected administrations send comments to BR and notifying ADM

Coordination completed, BR publishes in Part B of a Special Section and modifications are being recorded into the Plan

Notifying ADM submits notices BR identifies potential affected administratio

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Plan	Comment	In case of no
	Period	comment
Stockholm-61	12 weeks	Agreement
Geneva-75	16 weeks	Agreement
Rio de Janeiro-81	60 days	Agreement
Geneva-84	100 days	Agreement
Rio de Janeiro-88	Not applicable	-
Geneva-06	75 days	Disagreement



## "Quick" Plan modification procedure



## For corresponding Plans no agreement is required if modifications involve:

- Less interference lower ERP/site
- Distance to border > coordination distances
- Field strengths at border less than coordination limits
- Suppression of the recorded assignment/allotment



## **Part B publication**



- ✓ Not automatic
- ✓ Notifying ADM must request for publication in Part B
- ✓ If no request for publication in Part B:

Plan	Period from date of	BR action
	publication	
	in Part A	
Stockholm-61	Not applicable	-
Geneva-75	One year	Removal
Rio de Janeiro-81	180 days	Removal
Geneva-84	Not applicable	-
Geneva-06	24 months+75 days	Removal

## Notification to the Master Register for all Broadcasting Plans (Sound and TV)

When an administration proposes to bring into use an assignment, it shall notify its characteristics to the BR in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 of the Radio Regulations

Plan	Article
Stockholm-61	5
Geneva-75	5
Rio de Janeiro-81	5
Geneva-84	7
Rio de Janeiro-88	5
Geneva-89	5
Geneva-06	5





# Thank you for your attention!

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