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| Report by the Secretary-General | |
| CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS  AND EXPERT GROUPS | |

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| Summary  Council Resolution 1333 instructs the Secretary-General to submit to each Plenipotentiary Conference and to each Council a table that identifies the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of each CWG, their tenure of office, and region.  The table in the Annex shows the current Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Council Working Groups and Expert Groups.  The table will be submitted to the Plenipotentiary Conference.  Action required  The Council is invited **to note** the table in the Annex.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  References  [*PP Decision 11 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts/DEC-011-E.pdf)*,* [*Council Resolutions 1333*](http://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/Resolution-1333_C16.pdf)*,* [*1379*](https://www.itu.int/md/S16-CL-C-0125/en)*,* [*1384*](https://www.itu.int/md/S17-CL-C-0117/en)*;* [*Document PP-18/54*](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0054/en)*; Council document* [*C19/21*](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-CL-C-0021/en), [*C19-ADD/6*](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-CLADD-C-0006/en)*;* [*C20/21*](https://www.itu.int/md/S20-CL-C-0021/en)*;* [*DM-20/1011*](https://www.itu.int/md/S20-DM-CIR-01011/en)*,* [*C21/64*](https://www.itu.int/md/S21-CL-C-0064/en)*,* [*CL-21/14*](https://www.itu.int/md/S21-SG-CIR-0014/en) |

1. The 2016 session of the Council adopted a revision of [Resolution 1333](http://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/Resolution-1333_C16.pdf) on the Guiding principles for the creation, management and termination of Council working groups. The Resolution instructs the Secretary-General to submit to each Plenipotentiary Conference and to each Council a table that identifies the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of each CWG, their tenure of office, and region.
2. The 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-18) confirmed the continuation of the following groups for the next cycle between two Plenipotentiary Conferences (2019-2022):

* Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues (CWG-Internet)
* Council Working Group on Child Online Protection (CWG-COP)
* Council Working Group on WSIS & SDGs (CWG-WSIS&SDG)
* Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources (CWG-FHR)
* Council Working Group on the use of the six official languages of the Union (CWG-LANG)
* Council Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC-482)
* Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITRs)

The Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for these Council Working Groups and Expert Groups were appointed during the extraordinary session of the Council on 16 November 2018.

1. The 2019 session of the Council decided to convene an Informal Expert Group to prepare the WTPF-21 (IEG-WTPF-21) and confirmed its Chair (see documents [C19/21](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-CL-C-0021/en) and [C19/119](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-CL-C-0119/en))
2. Following the first 2020 Virtual consultation of councillors (9-12 June 2020), Council Member States confirmed, via a consultation by correspondence, one new Chair and four new Vice-chairs of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups (see [C20/21(Rev.3)](https://www.itu.int/md/S20-CL-C-0021/en) and [DM-20/1011](https://www.itu.int/md/S20-DM-CIR-01011/en)).
3. Following the second 2020 Virtual consultation of councillors (16-20 November 2020), Council Member States confirmed, via a consultation by correspondence, two new Vice-chairs of Council Working Groups (see letter [DM-20/1022](https://www.itu.int/md/S20-DM-CIR-01022/en)).
4. Following the 2021 Virtual consultation of councillors (C21-VCC1), Council Member States confirmed the establishment of the Council Working Group for the elaboration of the draft Strategic and Financial Plans (CWG-SFP) for the 2024-2027 planning cycle and approved the nomination of the Chair and Vice-chairs of this group. (see letter [DM-21/1017](https://www.itu.int/md/S21-DM-CIR-01017/en)).
5. The Council is invited to note the table in the Annex. The Council Working Groups and the Expert Groups have finished their work for the current cycle. It is proposed to not nominate new Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for the vacant positions at this 2022 session of the Council.
6. A call for nominations for the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Groups to be continued or established for the next cycle will be sent during the 2022 Plenipotentiary Conference for appointment at the 2023 extraordinary session of the Council to be held on 14 October 2022 in Bucharest, Romania.

ANNEX

**CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS (as of 15 February 2022)**

| Current CWG + Secretary | Chair | Region | Date of appointment | Vice-Chair (s) | Region | Date of appointment |
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| **Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues** **(CWG-Internet)** (Sec: Mr Preetam Maloor) | Mr Majed Al Mazyed  (Saudi Arabia) | ARB | 2009 | Mr Silulami J. Doyi (South Africa)  Mr César Martinez (Paraguay)  Mr Abdulrahman Al Marzouqi (United Arab Emirates)  Mr YGSC Kishore Babu (India)  Mr Kamal Mammadov (Azerbaijan)  Mr Paul Blaker (United Kingdom) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2019  2019  2017  2017  2019  2017 |
| **Council Working Group on Child Online Protection (CWG-COP)**  (Sec: Ms Carla Licciardello) | Mr Abdelaziz Al Zarooni  (United Arab Emirates) | ARB | 2018 | Ms Stella Chubiyo Erebor (Nigeria)  Ms Ellen Blackler (The Walt Disney Company)  Ms Maha Z.Y. Mouasher (Jordan)  Mr Manish Gupta (India)  Ms Aysel Hadiyeva (Azerbaijan)  ***Vacant*** | **AFR**  **AMS (Sector Member)**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2020  2017  2017  2019  2019 |
| **Council Working Group on WSIS&SDGs (CWG-WSIS&DSGs)**  (Sec: Mr Catalin Marinescu) | Mr Vladimir Minkin  (Russian Federation) | CIS | 2006 | Ms Janet Umutesi (Rwanda)  Ms Renata Santoyo (Brazil)  Mr Mansour Al-Qurashi (Saudi Arabia)  Mr Ahmad Reza Sharafat (Isl. Rep. of Iran)  ***Vacant***  Mr Wojciech Berezowski (Poland) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2017  2020  2017  2019  2019 |
| **Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources** **(CWG-FHR)** (Sec: Mr Alassane Ba/Mr Diego Ruiz) | Ms Vernita Harris (United States) | AMS | 2020 | Ms Seynabou Seck Cisse (Senegal)  ***Vacant***  Mr Mohamed Almazroei (United Arab Emirates)  Ms Archana Goyal Gulati (India)  Ms D.V. Kalyuga (Russian Federation)  Mr Vilem Vesely (Czech Republic) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2017  2019  2019  2020  2019 |
| **Council Working Group on the use of the six official languages (CWG-Lang)** (Sec: Mr Fernando Peral) | Ms Monia Jaber Khalfallah  (Tunisia) | ARB | 2018 | Mr Paul Najarian (USA)  Ms Sameera Belal (Kuwait)  ***Vacant***  Mr Vladimir Minkin (Russian Federation)  Ms Blanca Gonzalez (Spain)  Ms Yana Brugier (France) | **English**  **Arabic**  **Chinese**  **Russian**  **Spanish**  **French** | 2013  2017  2013  2017  2020 |
| **Expert group on ITRs (EG-ITRs)** (Sec: Mr Preetam Maloor) | Mr Lwando Bbuku (Zambia) | AFR | 2019 | Mr Guy-Michel Kouakou (Côte d’Ivoire)  Mr Santiago Reyes-Borda (Canada)  Mrs. Shahira Selim (Egypt)  Mr Xiping Huang (China)  Mr Aleksei Sergeevich Borodin (Russian Federation)  Mr Simon van Merkom (Netherlands) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2019  2019  2021  2019  2019  2019 |
| **Expert group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC-482)** (Sec: Mr Alexandre Vallet) | Mr Nikolay Varlamov (Russian Federation) | CIS | 2018 | Mr Mustapha Mousse (Egypt)  Mr Andrew Feltman (United States)  Mr Mohammad AlJanoobi (Saudi Arabia)  Mr Yuansheng Xie (China)  Mr Rizat Nurshabekow (Kazakhstan)  Mr Cristian Ungureanu (Romania) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2019  2019  2019  2019  2019  2020 |
| **Informal Expert Group on WTPF-21 (IEG-WTPF-21)** (Sec: Mr Preetam Maloor) | Mr Fabio Bigi (Italy) | EUR | 2019 | - | **-** | - |
| **Council Working Group for the elaboration of the draft Strategic and Financial Plans (CWG-SFP)**  (Sec: Mr Catalin Marinescu) | Mr Frederic Sauvage (France) |  | 2021 | Mr Dominic Ooko (Kenya)  Ms Michele Wu-Bailey (United States)  Ms Sameera Belal (Kuwait)  Mr Chunfei Zhang (China)  Ms Natalia Reznikova (Russian Federation)  Mr Oli Bird (UK) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2021  2021  2021  2021  2021  2021 |

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