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| **Agenda item: PL 3** | **Revision 1 to Document C24/21** |
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| Report by the Secretary-General | |
| LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF THE COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS | |
| **Purpose**  Council Resolution 1333 (C11, last amended C16) 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.  **Action required by the Council**  The Council is invited to **note** this document and its [annex](#annex), and to **appoint** the new candidates for the Vice-Chair positions of the Council working groups, the expert groups, and the informal expert group for the 2023-2026 period/cycle.  **Relevant link(s) with the Strategic Plan**  Membership driven.  **Financial implications**  Within the allocated budget 2024-2025.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **References**  [*Decision 11 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022)*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts-2023/DEC-011-E.pdf) *of the Plenipotentiary Conference;* [*Council Resolution 1333*](http://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/Resolution-1333_C16.pdf)*; Letter* [*CL-24/22*](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-SG-CIR-0022/en)*; Council summary records* [*C23/112*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0112/en)*,* [*C23-ADD/11*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-C23ADD-C-0011/en)*,* [*C23/ADD/12*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-C23ADD-C-0012/en)*;* [*Webpage of Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the Council Working Groups and Expert Groups*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Pages/Chairs-Vice-Chairs-2022-2026.aspx)*.* | |

**Introduction**

1. Council Resolution 1333 (C11, last amended C16) 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. In July 2023, the Council decided at its ordinary session that a Council working group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP) and an informal expert group on the World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF) would be created the following year. The Council approved the proposed chairs of the aforementioned groups (see document [C23/112](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0112/en)).
3. In October 2023, at its additional session, Council-23 confirmed the chairs of the already established Council Working Groups and Experts Groups (CWGs & EGs) and approved the proposed new Vice-Chairs, except for those from the CIS region for the CWG-FHR, CWG-LANG, EG-ITRs, and EG-Dec482 (see documents [C23-ADD/11](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-C23ADD-C-0011/en) and [C23-ADD/12](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-C23ADD-C-0012/en)).
4. On 30 April 2024, Member States have been invited via Circular Letter [CL-24/22](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-SG-CIR-0022/en) to nominate candidates for the Vice-Chair positions of the CWG-SFP and IEG-WTPF (subject to validation of the creation of these groups by Council-24) and to submit their proposals by 20 May 2024.
5. The table in [annex](#annex) presents the current list of chairs and vice-chairs of each group, their tenure of office and region, as of 25 May 2024.
6. The proposed candidates have been published on the Council website as received, at the following link <https://www.itu.int/en/council/Pages/Chairs-Vice-Chairs-2022-2026.aspx>, and Council-24 will be invited to appoint these candidates for the 2023-2026 period/cycle.

***Annex: 1***

ANNEX

**LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS (as of 25 May 2024)[[1]](#footnote-1)**

| Current CWG | Chair | Region | Date of appointment | Vice-Chair (s) | Region | Date of first appointment |
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| **Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues** **(CWG-Internet)** | **Mr Wojciech Berezowski** (Poland) | EUR | 2023 | **Dr Ramy Ahmed** (Egypt)  **Ms Emilce Maria Portillo Gonzalez** (Paraguay)  **Mr Abdulrahman Al Marzouqi** (United Arab Emirates)  **Ms Xiao Zhang** (China)  **Mr Jeyhun Huseynzade** (Azerbaijan)  **Mr Nigel Hickson** (United Kingdom) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2023  2023  2017  2023  2023  2023 |
| **Council Working Group on Child Online Protection (CWG-COP)** | **Mr Abdelaziz Al Zarooni**  (United Arab Emirates) | ARB | 2018 | **Ms Stella Chubiyo Erebor** (Nigeria)  **Mr Kemie Jones** (Bahamas)  **Ms May Ali Alghatam** (Bahrain)  **Ms Jocelle Batapa Sigue** (Philippines)  **Ms Mahsati Guliyeva** (Azerbaijan)  **Mr Domenico Alfieri** (Italy) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2020  2023  2023  2023  2023  2023 |
| **Council Working Group on WSIS&SDGs  (CWG-WSIS&DSGs)** | **Ms Cynthia Lesufi** (South Africa) | AFR | 2023 | **Ms Janet Umutesi** (Rwanda)  **Ms Renata Santoyo** (Brazil)  **Mr Ahmed Saleem** (Iraq)  **Ms Mina Seonmin Jun** (Korea (Rep. of))  **Ms Khayala Pashazade** (Azerbaijan)  **Ms Susanna Mattsson** (Sweden) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2017  2020  2023  2023  2023  2023 |
| **Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources** **(CWG-FHR)** | **Ms Vernita Harris** (United States) | AMS | 2020 | **Ms Seynabou Seck Cisse** (Senegal)  **Mr Ronaldo Moura** (Brazil)  **Ms Noha Gaafar** (Egypt)  **Mr Daniel Caruso** (Australia)  **Mr Erzhan Meiramov** (Kazakhstan)  **Mr Szabolcs Szentleleky** (Hungary) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2017  2023  2023  2023  2024  2023 |
| **Council Working Group on the use of the six official languages (CWG-Lang)** | **Ms Sharon Bosire** (Kenya) (English) | AFR | 2023 | **Dr. Rim Belhaj**(Tunisia)  **Mr Jian Wang**(China)  **Ms Daphne Goudry** (France)  **Mr Dmitry Cherkesov** (Russian Federation)  **Ms Blanca Gonzalez** (Spain) | **Arabic**  **Chinese**  **French**  **Russian**  **Spanish** | 2023  2023  2023  2024  2017 |
| **Expert group on ITRs (EG-ITRs)** | **Ms Shahira Selim** (Egypt) | ARB | 2023 | **Mr Guy-Michel Kouakou** (Côte d’Ivoire)  **Ms Ena Dekanic** (United States)  **Mr. Omar Ali Alnemer** (United Arab Emirates)  **Mr Sunil Singhal** (India)  **Mr Ulugbek Azimov** (Uzbekistan)  **Mr Vilem Vesely** (Czech Republic) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2019  2023  2023  2023  2024  2023 |
| **Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482)** | **Ms Fenhong Cheng** (China) | ASP | 2023 | **Mr Mostafa Mousa** (Egypt)  **Ms Anabel del Carmen Cisneros** (Argentina)  **Mr Abdulrhaman AlNajdi** (Saudi Arabia)  **Mr Meiditomo Sutyarjoko** (Indonesia)  **Mr Dilmurod Dusmatov** (Uzbekistan)  **Mr Cristian Ungureanu** (Romania) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2019  2023  2023  2023  2024  2020 |
| **Informal Expert Group on World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum  (IEG-WTPF)****[[2]](#footnote-2)** | **Mr Rodney Taylor** (Barbados) | AMS | 2024 | **Mr Dominic Ooko** (Kenya)  **Mr Santiago Reyes-Borda** (Canada)  **Mr Alshyab Nooh** (Jordan)  **Mr Muath Alrumayh** (Saudi Arabia)  **Mr Ahmad R. Sharafat** (Iran (Islamic Republic of))  **Mr Ashok Kumar** (India)  **Ms Umida Musayeva** (Uzbekistan) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2024  2024  2024  2024  2024  2024  2024 |
| **Council Working Group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP)\*** | **Mr Mansour AI-Qurashi** (Saudi Arabia) | ARB | 2023 | **Mr Mulembwa Denis Munaku** (Tanzania)  **Mr Victor Manuel Martínez Vanegas** (Mexico)  **Ms Maitha Al Jamri** (United Arab Emirates)  **Mr Yi Lun** (China)  **Mr Bakhtjan Smanov** (Uzbekistan)  **Mr Rafat Bartoszewski** (Poland) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2024  2024  2024  2024  2024  2024 |

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1. *Proposed new candidatures are highlighted in* ***green*** [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Subject to validation of the creation of the groups by Council-24.* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)