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| **Agenda item: PL 3** | **Revision 3 toDocument 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 4 June 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***

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**LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS (as of 4 June 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** | 202320232017202320232023 |
| **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 Seljan Aghasarkari** (Azerbaijan)**Mr Domenico Alfieri** (Italy) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 202020232023202320242023 |
| **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** | 201720202023202320232023 |
| **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** | 201720232023202320242023 |
| **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** | 20232023202320242017 |
| **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** | 201920232023202320242023 |
| **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** | 201920232023202320242020 |
| **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)**Mr Tobias Kaufmann** (Germany) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ARB****ASP****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 20242024202420242024202420242024 |
| **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 Rafał Bartoszewski** (Poland) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 202420242024202420242024 |

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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)