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| **Agenda item: PL 3** | **Revision 3 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 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***

ANNEX

**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** | 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 Seljan Aghasarkari** (Azerbaijan)  **Mr Domenico Alfieri** (Italy) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2020  2023  2023  2023  2024  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)  **Mr Tobias Kaufmann** (Germany) | **AFR**  **AMS**  **ARB**  **ARB**  **ASP**  **ASP**  **CIS**  **EUR** | 2024  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 Rafał 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)