Geneva, 30 April 2024

Ref:	**CL-24/22**	To: ITU Member States
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Subject: **Nomination of candidates for the positions of Vice-Chairs of Council working group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP) and Informal expert group on the World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF) for the 2023-2026 period/cycle**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may recall, the 2023 session of the Council (11-21 July 2023) appointed the Chairs of all Council Working Groups (CWGs), Expert Groups (EGs), and Informal Expert Group (IEG), including the Council working group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP) and the Informal expert group on the World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF). The CWG-SFP and IEG-WTPF will be formally created at the 2024 session of the Council (see summary record C23/112).

In order to prepare the list of Vice-Chairs for these two groups for submission to Council 2024, I invite your administration to nominate candidates for the Vice-Chair positions as shown in the table in Annex, in compliance with the Plenipotentiary Conference Decision 11 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) and Council Resolution 1333. Regional coordination is strongly encouraged to avoid multiple candidates from the same region for the same position.

The commitment of time and resources required to fulfil the duties of Vice-Chairs will be borne by the candidates themselves and by their nominating administrations. Kindly be reminded that Vice-Chairs of these groups are not eligible to receive financial assistance from ITU.

Please provide to gbs@itu.int by **20 May 2024,** the proposed candidate's full name and biographical profile, highlighting the qualifications of the individual concerned (as indicated in Council Resolution 1333). Please note that this information will be published on the Council website as received, at the following link: https://www.itu.int/en/council/Pages/Chairs-Vice-Chairs-2022-2026.aspx.

I very much look forward to receiving your nominations.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Secretary-General

Annex: 1

ANNEX

LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF IEG-WTPF AND CWG-SFP (as of 30 April 2024)[1]

Current CWG	Chair	Region	Date of appointment	Vice-Chair (s)	Region	Date of first appointment
Informal Expert Group on World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF)[2]	**Mr David Bedard** (Canada)	AMS	2023	*VACANT*	**AFR**	2024
				VACANT	**AMS**	2024
				VACANT	**ARB**	2024
				VACANT	**ASP**	2024
				VACANT	**CIS**	2024
				VACANT	**EUR**	2024
Council Working Group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP) [2]	**Mr Mansour Al-Qurashi** (Saudi Arabia)	ARB	2023	*VACANT*	**AFR**	2024
				VACANT	**AMS**	2024
				VACANT	**ARB**	2024
				VACANT	**ASP**	2024
				VACANT	**CIS**	2024
				VACANT	**EUR**	2024

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[1] Curent vacant positions are shown in green

[2] Subject to validation of the creation of the groups by Council-24.