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The table below summarizes the 17 received Contributions to the 8th TSAG meeting based on their abstracts and proposals. The table will also identify the TSAG Rapporteur Groups and TSAG Plenary sessions to which these Contributions will be mapped for consideration.

Notes

* One contribution was withdrawn.
* This document does not summarize received contributions of the 3rd interregional meeting.

# Summary of contributions to the 8th TSAG meeting

| **Contribution number** | **Source** | **Title** | **Abstract, Proposal** | **Allocated to** |
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| [C179](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0179) | Korea (Rep. of), Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI) (Korea (Rep. of)), Hyundai Motors (Korea (Rep. of)), KT Corporation (Korea (Rep. of)), SK Telecom (Korea (Rep. of)), Soonchunhyang University (Korea (Rep. of) | Proposal for establishment of new Focus Group on digital COVID-19 certificate based services (FG-DCC) | This Contribution proposes TSAG to consider establishment of an ITU-T Focus Group on Digital COVID-19 Certificate based services (FG-DCC), in line with ITU/WHO workshop’s outcome on digital vaccination certificate held on 11 August 2021.  Taking into account the urgent need for the study on digital COVID-19 certificate, Korea (Republic of) proposes TSAG to consider the establishment of a Focus Group on Digital COVID-19 Certificate based services (FG-DCC). The draft Terms of Reference are given in the Annex of this contribution to facilitate discussion for consideration by TSAG. | PLEN |
| [C180](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0180) | Korea (Rep. of) | Proposal to revise A.1 for cancellation of rapporteur group e-meetings | This contribution proposes to revise A.1 to reflect practices of rapporteur group e-meetings being held without new contributions to continue discussions.  Taking into consideration of the rationale above, Korea (Republic of) would like to suggest to revise A.1 as highlighted below based on CEPT’s contribution.  2.3.3.11bis If an insufficient number of contributions or notification of contributions has been submitted, the rapporteur group meeting should not be held ***unless the meeting agrees in advance***. The decision whether to cancel a rapporteur group meeting shall be taken by the chairman of the working party, in agreement with the chairman of the study group, and shall be reflected in a convening letter.  The text could be more specific if necessary and revising Rapporteurs and Editors Manual can be further discussed once this meeting agrees with the need to hold e-meetings for on-going discussions. | RG-WM |
| [C181](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0181) | Korea (Rep. of) | Suggestion to modify NOTE of clause 9.4.6 in WTSA Resolution 1 in TSAG TD 924 | This Contribution is to suggest modifying the NOTE of clause 9.4.6 in WTSA Resolution 1.  Taking into account the rationale above, Korea (Republic of) proposes to modify the NOTE of clause 9.4.7 in WTSA Resolution 1 as follows:  **From:**  *NOTE ̶ Replies that do not explicitly support or not support consideration for approval at the study group meeting are not counted. Comments accompanying such replies are however collected (see clause 9.4.7).*  **To:**  *NOTE - Counted are only those replies that explicitly support or that explicitly do not support consideration for approval at the study group meeting. Comments accompanying such replies are however collected (see clause 9.4.7)* | RG-WM |
| [C182](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0182) | Korea (Rep. of) | Comment on clause 9.5.3 in WTSA Resolution 1 | This Contribution propose to consider revising the clause 9.5.3 of WTSA Resolution 1 to clarify the meaning of “the delegations”.  **Proposal**  Considering the rationale above, Korea (Republic of) proposes that TSAG consider revising the clause 9.5.3 to clarify the meaning of “the delegations” as follows:  ***From:***  **9.5.3** After debate at the study group meeting, the decision of the delegations to approve the Recommendation under this approval procedure must be unopposed (but see 9.5.4, regarding reservations, 9.5.5 and 9.5.6). See No. 239 of the Convention.  ***To:***  **9.5.3** After debate at the study group meeting, the decision of the delegations to approve the Recommendation under this approval procedure must be unopposed (but see 9.5.4, regarding reservations, 9.5.5 and 9.5.6). See No. 239 of the Convention and No.1005 of the Constitution. | RG-WM |
| [C184](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0184) | China Telecommunications Corporation, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) (China) | Proposed to revise A.7 | This contribution proposes to revise ITU-T A.7 by adding a procedure of working group establishment in a new sub-clause 3.2, explaining the base material examples in clause 10, and introducing the post-processing procedures of deliverables transfer from the focus groups in Appendix I.  Based on the relevant discussions raised during the last TSAG meeting, this contribution provides further revision suggestions of ITU-T A.7 (10/2016) with the revision mode in the Annex.   1. Add a procedure of working group establishment in a new sub-clause 3.2. 2. Give clear explanations to the base material examples in clause 10. 3. Add a new bulletin in Appendix I to record and summarize the transfer results of focus group deliverables. | RG-WM |
| [C188](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0188) | N/A | withdrawn |  | --- |
| [C189](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0189) | China Information Communication Technologies Group, China Mobile Communications Co. Ltd., China Telecommunications Corporation, China Unicom, Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. (China), Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) (China), ZTE Corporation (China) | China's Comments and Proposals on Draft F of Action Plan for Study Group (SG) Restructuring | In order to reach a common understanding on some key points of the Action Plan among ITU-T members, and analyse the preparation work more practically and effectively, this contribution provides China’s comments on principles, metrics required, employing an independent consultants and time scales in draft F of the Action Plan for Study Group (SG) Restructuring.  This contribution provides China’s comments and proposals on principles in clause 3.1, metrics required in clause 3.2, employing independent consultants’ related descriptions in clause 5 and 8, and time scales in clause 7 of the action plan, including  1) The principles for ITU-T SG restructuring in clause 3.1 should serve for the mission and long term development of ITU-T, and also reflect members’ requirement for ITU-T standardization objectively, fairly, and comprehensively. So it’s proposed to add “the SG restructuring of ITU-T should obey the primary principle for promoting the global telecommunications/ICT development from 2022 to 2030 and the progress of SDGs.”  2) The item 4 and 5 in clause 3.1 provide unreasonable limitations on the number of Questions and how to implement the standardization of new and emerging technologies within Study Groups. These limitations do not comply with the ITU-T working methods, especially the relevant specification in section 7 of WTSA Resolution 1 for “Development and approval of Questions”, and clause 2.1 for “Study group structure and distribution of work” in A.1 Recommendation. So it’s proposed to delete them or improve them appropriately.  3) Considering the comparative analysis on restructuring of related SDOs have more reference value for the SG restructuring of ITU-T, it’s proposed to add the requirement for analysis restructuring history of related SDOs in bullet 8 of item 2 in clause 3.2  4) For the topic on employing an independent consultant, China think the reason is very inadequate in the draft F of action plan, and it is not conducive to the discussion and promotion of SG restructuring works among ITU members at current stage. Six comments with details are provided in clause 2.3 of this contribution for further discussion among ITU-T members. It’s proposed that RG-WP and CG on SG Restructuring should provide more necessary analysis information to address these comments, before TSAG make any decision on this topic on next plenary meeting in January of 2022.  5) The description for the time scales of the action plan in clause 7 needs to be modified in detail. It’s proposed to modify the phase 7 and 8 as the three comments provided in clause 2.4 of this contribution. | RG-WP |
| [C190](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0190) | United Kingdom | Working Method Proposals | This contribution reflects issues that the UK identified in a review of draft E of the action plan for study group re-structuring that whilst not necessarily relevant to the action plan were none the less sufficiently important to be submitted separately.  That TSAG identifies which of its RG’s are suitable to lead discussions on the issues that are listed in attachment 1 below. | RG-WP, (RG-WM) |
| [C191](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0191) | United Kingdom | Amendment to clarify Last Judgment steps in AAP | This contribution proposes an amendment to Recommendation A.8, on the alternative approval process (AAP), to ensure consistency and transparency in addressing comments submitted during the last call process.  That TSAG consider revising Clauses 4.4.2 through 4.6 to ensure that the description of the steps to be clear and consistent. A first draft of such a revision is attached as the basis for such an a discussion and amendment to Recommendation ITU-T A.8. | RG-WM |
| [C192](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0192) | Australia, Canada, Japan, United Kingdom | Alignment of meeting rules for virtual meetings | This contribution proposes a new work item to define rules for e-meetings, or virtual meetings. The current rules are either for physical meetings, or for remote participation, but there are no rules that take into account the unique nature of e-meetings, or virtual meetings. This contribution proposes a new work item to develop such rules.  To approve the new work item proposed in the attachment and call for contributions to assist in developing rules for the occurrence and management of virtual meetings. | PLEN |
| [C193](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0193) | United States | Views on Draft F of the action plan for analysis of ITU-T Study Group restructuring | The United States offers a way forward for Draft F of the action plan for analysis of ITU-T Study Group restructuring.  The United States proposes that TSAG approve the action plan with the attached revisions and proceed with the next steps as outlined therein. | RG-WP |
| [C194](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0194) | Russian Federation | Streamlining WTSA and PP resolutions | This Contribution propose to determine at WTSA-20 the list of WTSA resolutions that can be streamline at WTSA-24 if the necessary provisions are introduced into the corresponding resolutions of the Plenipotentiary Conference in 2022.  **II Proposals**  2.1 To determine the list of WTSA resolutions that, if amending the relevant resolutions of the Plenipotentiary Conference, could be significantly reduced, merged or suppressed at WTSA-24.  2.2 When considered at WTSA-20, to request Member States and regional telecommunication organizations to pay attention to the preparation of proposals for the revision or preparation of new resolutions / decisions in these areas of the Plenipotentiary Conference, including provisions that take into account the interests and tasks of the ITU-T Sector. | RG-ResReview |
| [C195](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0195) | Russian Federation | Proposals on the revision of Recommendation ITU\_T A.1 (09/2019) Working methods for study groups of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector | Amendments include new IPR Note, Collective letter requirements at 1.3.2 regarding planned decisions for TAP and AAP at the meeting notification, conditions to postpone contribution discussion at 1.4.2, two members support for new work item and indication of decision in the report at 1.4.7, requirement to have a concise summary of contributions and list of agreed/not agreed proposals in the report at 1.7.1, equal footing of contributions and transparency of decision making process at 2.3.3.12, Memo to the Rapporteur on meeting order when discussing contributions at 2.3.3.16 and Appendix II, proprietary Marks usage in ITU-T Recommendations; contribution in the form of LS or TD deadline and conditions for late contribution at 3.3.3.  The Russian Federation proposes to consider the proposal to amend ITU-T Recommendation A.1 "Working methods for the study groups of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector" (see the Annex). | RG-WM |
| [C196](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0196) | Russian Federation | Proposals for transparent decision-making for compliance with ITU-T Recommendations A.5 Generalized procedures for including references to documents of other organizations in ITU-T Recommendations and A.25 Generalized procedures for including text in ITU-T and other organizations documents | It is proposed to provide ITU members with access to the original documents defining the policies of intellectual property rights of organizations qualified for compliance with the requirements of Recommendations A.5 and A.25, as well as to include a requirement for free/non-restricted access to such documents on the websites of such organizations.  In connection with the above, the Russian Federation proposes to amend the texts of the existing ITU-T Recommendations A.5 and A.25 as follows. | RG-SC |
| [C197](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0197) | Russian Federation | Proposals on amending the ITU-T Guidelines for the inclusion of Marks in ITU-T Recommendations | Proposed to discuss the role of ITU Member States in developing ITU intellectual property rights policies and guidelines  The Russian Federation respects the views of the three Sector members and would like to receive the views and clarifications from the Member States, TSAG and TSB on the following issues:  1. What is the role of Member States in developing IPR policies? On par with sector members through membership in the IPR Director's group?  2. Who develops and approves the ITU intellectual property rights policy?  3. In which documents is it defined?  4. Where and how is the mandate of the TSB Director's IPR team defined?  The Russian Federation proposes to consider all abovementioned issues at TSAG. The text of the contribution to the IPR Ad-hoc group is attached. | PLEN |
| [C198](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0198) | Russian Federation | Proposal on further steps on issue of inclusive languages in texts of ITU-T | This contribution propose to invite TSB Director to report to ITU Council and request further solution on inclusive and neutral language issue  Russian Federation would like to invite TSB and TSB Director to report either ITU Council or SWG-Lang or both, if appropriate, on the current situation with inclusive/neutral language issue raised by some members of ITU-T to request consideration and proposing an appropriate way forward which will be a common solution for whole ITU if necessary. Provided answers from ITU‑T SGs may be included in such a report if appropriate.  Russian Federation also would like to ask the secretariat to provide information on the relevant UN decisions.  Russian Federation propose to postpone any other activity within ITU-T on this issue until getting a solution or another clear answer from ITU Council as well as after receiving information from the UN. | PLEN |
| [C199](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0199) | Russian Federation | On the proposed metrics for evaluating ITU-T work and the feasibility of involving external consultants | This contribution presents the Russian Federation view on questions raised by CG on Study Group Restructuring, as well as an opinion on the proposed metrics for evaluating ITU-T activity. | RG-WP |
| [C201](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-C-0201) | National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (NTRA) (Egypt) | Consideration of future virtual ITU-T meetings | Egypt proposes to consider holding some ITU-T meetings virtually in the near future as this will lead to: Reducing the travel costs for some developing countries,  Increasing the number of participants specially from LDCs, We also propose to consider the hybrid system in Study Group meetings.  In this regard, Egypt proposes to consider holding some ITU-T meetings virtually, when applicable, in the near future as this will lead to:   * Reducing the travel costs for some developing countries, * Increasing the number of participants specially from LDCs,   We also propose to consider the hybrid system in Study Group meetings | PLEN |

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