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| **Abstract:** | This TD contains the draft report of the session of the TSAG Rapporteur Group on Industry Engagement, Metrics during this TSAG meeting (Geneva, 22 - 26 January 2024). |

# 0 Action from RG-IEM to WP2

* RG-IEM-1: to request the TSB to issue a Circular letter announcing the industry engagement workshop in Geneva, 19 April 2024.
* RG-IEM-2: to authorize RG-IEM to organize four interim virtual meetings with the following dates, times (all times are provided in Geneva time zone) and main topics:
  1. 20 February 2024, 1300-1430, remaining issues from this TSAG, workshop status
  2. 19 March 2024, 1300-1430, Emerging technology mechanism
  3. 7 May 2024, 1300-1430, Workshop results
  4. 11 June 2024, 1300-1430, Emerging technology mechanism

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# 1 Introduction

A meeting of the TSAG Rapporteur Group on Industry Engagement, Metrics (RG-IEM) took place on Tuesday, 23 January 2024 (0945-1105 hours).

Mr Glenn PARSONS (Ericsson Canada), Rapporteur of TSAG RG-IEM, chaired the meeting of RG-IEM, supported by Mr Noah LUO (Huawei Technologies, China, participating remotely), Associate Rapporteur on metrics, and Mr Arnaud TADDEI (Broadcom Europe, United Kingdom), Associate Rapporteur on emerging technologies.

# 2 Opening and welcome

The meeting adopted the draft agenda provided in [TSAG-TD320](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0320/en). A list of documents considered is provided in Annex A of the same document.

The meeting noted the RG-IEM terms of reference, as provided in Annex B of TSAG-TD320, and the progress report from interim TSAG RG-IEM meetings (July 2023 to December 2023) in [TSAG-TD328](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0328/en).

# 3 Industry engagement

The meeting took note of the industry engagement action plan ([TSAG-TD256](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-230530-TD-GEN-0256)) and the ToR for the ITU-T Industry Engagement Workshop Steering Committee (IEWSC) ([TSAG-TD257R1](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-230530-TD-GEN-0257/en)), both approved by the previous meeting of TSAG.

The Chair of the IEWSC, Mr. Didier BERTHOUMIEUX, introduced [TSAG-TD433](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0433/en) providing a comprehensive plan for the industry engagement workshop to take place at ITU in Geneva on 19 April 2024. He called upon delegates to send to IEWSC members any suggestions of possible speakers and panellists (by email before Thursday January 25th COB) for consideration by the IEWSC.

The meeting expressed its appreciation to the IEWSC for the elaborated plan.

It was clarified that - in line with the industry engagement action plan and the IEWSC ToR - the output of the meeting would comprise a summary report with suggestions/recommendations for further consideration by RG-IEM and TSAG.

It was further clarified that the workshop date was picked based on existing related events in the ITU-T calendar (e.g., SGs 12, 15, 16 meet in this period in Geneva or France), and meeting room availability at ITU.

Delegates highlighted the relationship of the workshop with, and the value of its findings for RG-SOP, and the discussion related to Res.68.

It was agreed to request the TSB to issue the Circular letter announcing the workshop with physical presence only, and to publish a LinkedIn page as a promotion of the workshop.

A delegate of Ericsson Canada introduced [TSAG-C062](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-C-0062/en) (jointly submitted with Broadcom Europe, United Kingdom). The parts related to the re-launch of RG-SOP were discussed in the WP2 opening plenary, so the presentation focused on the aspects of value proposition. It was agreed that RG-IEM would work on creating an ITU-T value proposition relevant to industry, taking into account the results of the workshop.

It was noted that the output of the industry engagement workshop would provide valuable input in this context. Delegates highlighted that engagement in ITU-T not only provided value to industry, but also to other stakeholders. An integrated approach was needed to link and coordinate various related efforts underway (including IEM, SOP, ITU transformation efforts).

The access to global markets was mentioned as an important value proposition of an international SDO.

A delegate of China introduced [TSAG-C057](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-C-0057/en) (jointly submitted with Uganda), building on a contribution (TSAG-C021) discussed at the previous meeting. The contribution collects publicly available information from ITU-T and other SDOs about next generation engagement, education about standards and standardization, competitions, programmes and awards, and shared an early draft of a possible WTSA resolution on this topic.

Several delegations expressed their interest and support for this effort.

There was a request to align this effort with PP Resolution 198. Several similar or related efforts were mentioned (BSG programme; mentoring programme in ITU-T circa 2012-2014, exchange of liaisons between TSAG and study groups; youth participation in WTDC-22, PP, ITU-D; IEC YPO programme). It was recommended that the lessons learned be considered.

The importance of language and consistent terminology (youth, next generation) was highlighted. It was suggested to not only focus on what ITU-T can do for youth, but also what youth can do for ITU-T. Consideration of open source, tooling and social media channels in the draft resolution were further suggestions.

The meeting invited contributors to take into consideration the feedback received and develop their proposal through the RTOs and keep IRM updated.

The Counsellor of ITU-T SG20 introduced the toolkit on digital transformation for people-oriented cities and communities ([TSAG-TD451](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0451/en)). The information was noted.

# 4 Mechanisms to address new and emerging technologies in ITU-T

The meeting took note of the existing RG-IEM study on a mechanism to address new and emerging technologies in ITU-T ([TSAG-TD299](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-230530-TD-GEN-0299/en) adopted at last meeting).

It was agreed to carry forward the liaison replies from ITU-T Study Groups 2 ([TD382](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0382/en)), 11 ([TD368](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0368/en)), 15 ([TD426](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0426/en)) and 20 ([TD353](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0353/en)) to TSAG on the incubation mechanism to the RG-IEM interim meetings.

A delegate of Broadcom Europe (United Kingdom) presented [TSAG-C084](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-C-0084/en).

The meeting noted ambiguity in the attributes “new” and “emerging”, and the relationship of this work with RG-SOP.

It was agreed to continue the discussion the RG-IEM interim meetings.

# 5 Metrics

[TSAG-TD411](https://www.itu.int/md/T22-TSAG-240122-TD-GEN-0411/en) containing data regarding ITU-T study group work including Question level statistics was noted.

# 6 Future meetings

The meeting agreed on the following dates, times (all times are provided in Geneva time zone) and main topics for virtual interim RG-IEM meetings before the next TSAG meeting.

1. 20 February 2024, 1300-1430, remaining issues from this TSAG, workshop status
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# 7 AOB

None.

# 8 Closure of the meeting

In closing, the Rapporteur informed delegates that the meeting report will be made available in TSAG-TD321.

The Rapporteur expressed his gratitude to Associate Rapporteurs, Contributors and delegates for the active participation.

The meeting closed at 11:05 hours.