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Resolution 38 – Coordination among ITU-T, ITU-R and ITU-D for activities relating to IMT



FOREWORD

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is the United Nations specialized agency in the field of telecommunications, information and communication technologies (ICTs). The ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) is a permanent organ of ITU. ITU-T is responsible for studying technical, operating and tariff questions and issuing Recommendations on them with a view to standardizing telecommunications on a worldwide basis.

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA), which meets every four years, establishes the topics for study by the ITU-T study groups which, in turn, produce Recommendations on these topics.

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(Montreal, 2000; Florianópolis 2004; Johannesburg, 2008)

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (Johannesburg, 2008),

considering

a) that the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) has undergone a reorganization at this assembly in response to the rapidly progressing worldwide telecommunication standardization environment;

b) that ITU-T is actively continuing its studies on mobility and overall network aspects of International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT);

c) that Study Group 8 of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R) has had the ITU-R responsibility for the future development of IMT (now handled by ITU-R Study Group 5);

d) that the ITU-T study groups involved in the standardization of IMT and ITU-R Study Group 8 have had, and continue to have, effective informal coordination via liaison activity with respect to development of Recommendations relating to IMT for both Sectors;

e) that the Radiocommunication Advisory Group (RAG) has advised the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) that this coordination at the working level between ITU-R and ITU-T on an informal basis be encouraged and continued;

f) that former ITU-R Study Group 8 (now ITU-R Study Group 5) has proposed to ITU-T study groups the development of a roadmap for each Sector to independently manage and advance their work on IMT, within a complementary framework, as an efficient means of effecting progress in both Sectors, such a roadmap concept facilitating the communication of issues relating to IMT with organizations external to ITU;

g) that Study Group 2 of the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) is currently involved in activities closely coordinated with ITU-T and ITU-R and relating to the development of guidelines on the smooth transition of existing mobile networks to IMT for developing countries, including the least developed countries, small island developing states and countries with economies in transition,

noting

a) Resolution 18 of this assembly, on principles and procedures for the allocation of work to, and coordination between, ITU-R and ITU-T;

b) Recommendation ITU-T A.4, on the communication process between ITU-T and forums and consortia;

c) Recommendation ITU-T A.5, on generic procedures for including references to documents of other organizations in ITU-T Recommendations;

d) Recommendation ITU-T A.6, on cooperation and exchange of information between ITU-T and national and regional standards development organizations;

e) Resolutions ITU-R 47-1, 50-1, 56 and 57 on the role of ITU-R in the ongoing development of IMT,

resolves

1 that ITU-T maintain a roadmap for all of its standardization activities relating to IMT;

2 that the effective coordination currently established between ITU-T, ITU-R and ITU-D for activities relating to IMT be continued so as to ensure full alignment and harmonization of the work programmes, including the roadmaps, of the three Sectors,

instructs the Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

to bring this resolution to the attention of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) and the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT),

encourages the Directors of the three Bureaux

to investigate new ways to improve the efficiency of ITU work on IMT.