

ITU-T Standardization and IPR <Japan perspective>

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Intellectual Property Policy Headquarters under Prime Minister of Japan

- ❁ **Keep updating IP Strategic Program every year since 2003.**
- ❁ **Promotion of International Standardization**
- ❁ **Promotion of discussions on IPR policy of Standardization Setting Organizations (SSOs)**
- ❁ **Promotion of Patent Pools where appropriate**



**IP Strategic Program 2007 (Japan)
Chapter 3 (Exploitation of IP), Part II
(Enhancing Int'l Standardization Activities)**

**7. Making Contributions to Establishing
Rules for International Standards**

- ① Taking Measures to Respond to the
Exercise of Intellectual Property Rights,
which Impedes the Dissemination of
Technical Standards**
- ② Aiming at Realization of a Fair and Open
International Standardization System**

Preparation for ITU-T meetings

- ❁ **National SGs meetings to be held before and after SGs**
- ❁ **WGs are formed to study specific issues related to SGs**
- ❁ **IPR matters are discussed at the national TSAG meeting together with TSAG matters**
- ❁ **TSAG-WGs are held to accelerate study**

Study on IPR matters in Japan

- ❁ **NTT and TTC have been major contributors on IPR matters**
- ❁ **13 contributions have been submitted to the IPR Ad Hoc meeting since July 2004 (10 from NTT and 3 from TTC)**
 - **Complex IPR cases (NTT)**
 - **Voluntary patent search (NTT)**
 - **Patent transfer issues (NTT)**
 - **Comments to marks and software copyright guidelines (TTC)**

NTT contributions on complex IPR cases

- **More thorough patent survey**
- **Cooperation with other SDO in identifying patents**
 - The case of normative reference to other SDO's documents
 - Sharing information regarding patent policy and patent statement.
 - Required enhancements to Recommendations A.4, A.5 and A.6 to accelerate cooperation.
- **Increased roles of the ITU-T aiming at effective licensing negotiations**

Possible future study items

- ❁ Smooth implementations of the ITU-T/ITU-R/ISO/IEC common patent policy and guidelines.
- ❁ Sharing of the patent information DB of the three organizations would be a next step.
- ❁ Cooperation with SDOs for alignment of IPR policies and sharing of the patent information DBs.
- ❁ Increased roles of the ITU-T aiming at effective licensing negotiations