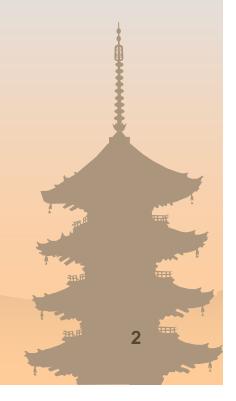
ITU-T Standardization and IPR
 <Japan perspective>

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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