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ABSTRACT

Implementation of equal funding for all MS will encourage better and greater participation and promotes fairer and transparent adoption of the standards.

Issues

The new Global Telecommunication Organization (GTO) will need to be supported by sufficient sources of income, primarily from its membership. The special Study Group has been asked to recommend the best means to do so. Some considerations to bear in mind are:

1. All members do not participate in equal amounts;
2. Members enjoy different levels of economic development;
3. Approximately 30% of the budget is derived from other sources such as sale of publications, development grants and Sector Member dues, with a Member State balance of 70 million Swiss francs (CHF);
4. Outputs and services of GTO are available equally to all Members.

Considerations

1. Reduce the financial burden that a MS has to contribute yearly and to ensure continuous participation guarantee, a fixed fee per member is most appropriate;
2. The fee charged should be nominal so as not to impose burden on each MS, and this can be accomplished by sharing equally across the maximum number of members.
3. Parties from the private sectors who adopt or incorporate the standards into their commercial products will need to pay a certain reasonable and affordable standard fee to the GTO. This will offset the amount required to be provided by the Member States.

Proposal

It is proposed that equal funding model to be imposed to all MSs on the balance needed after considering other sources of revenue. This will ensure an equal and fair representation of all MSs since each MS will have the chance to provide an equal contribution and obtain the same and equal benefits from its representation.