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ITU Radiocommunication Standardization Activities

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ITU Radiocommunication Standardization Activities

- Radio standardization gap
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 - Participation
 - Radio Regulations & Standards
- Standards making
 - Processes & practices
 - New directions
- Radio standardization gap
 Way forward

Radio standardization

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RESOLUTION 123 (Rev. Antalya, 2006): Bridging the standardization gap between developing and developed countries

recognizes

- the continued shortage of human resources in the standardization field in developing countries, resulting in a low level of developing-country participation in ITU-T and ITU-R meetings and, consequently, in the standards-making process, leading to difficulties when interpreting ITU-T and ITU-R recommendations;
- the ongoing challenges relating to capacity building, in particular for developing countries, in the light of rapid technological innovation and increased convergence,
- that developing countries could benefit from improved capability in the application and development of standards;
- that ITU-T and ITU-R activities and the ICT market could also benefit from better involvement of developing countries in standard-making and standards application.

Advantages of radio standardization:

- > interoperability (harmonized spectrum & equipment interfaces)
- > lower costs (economy of scale)
- > interchangeable equipment (multi-vendors)
- > use of established best-practices



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IMT-2000 radio interface development (Working Party 8F*) *) Currently WP 5D.



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ITU-R Sector members

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Radio Regulations (RR)

The Radio Regulations (treaty status) incorporates the decisions of the World Radiocommunication Conferences, including all Appendices, Resolutions, **Recommendations and ITU-R** Recommendations incorporated by reference.



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Frequency block allocations to defined radio services (Article 5)
 Mandatory or voluntary regulatory procedures (coordination, plan modification, notification, recording) that are adapted to the allocation structure

WRC Process





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RR & ITU-R Recommendations

(Principle of "incorporation by reference" of Res. 27 (Rev. WRC-07))

5.447F In the band 5 250-5 350 MHz, stations in the mobile service shall not claim protection from the radiolocation service, the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) and the space research service (active). These services shall not impose on the mobile service more stringent protection criteria, based on system characteristics and interference criteria, than those stated in **Recommendations ITU-R M.1638 and ITU-R RS.1632**. (WRC-03)

M.1638: Characteristics of and protection criteria for sharing studies for radiolocation, aeronautical radionavigation and meteorological radars operating in the frequency bands between 5 250 and 5 850 MHz

RS.1632: Sharing in the band 5 250-5 350 MHz between the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) and wireless access systems (including radio local area networks) in the mobile service



Mobile (cellular) communications IMT (IMT-2000 & IMT-Advanced) Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Sroadband Wireless Access (BWA) fixed & mobile (terrestrial) & satellite ✓ Digital Broadcasting Mobile TV Spectrum management Software-Defined/Cognitive Radios **Emergency communications** Climate Change

Software-Defined Radio

A radio is considered to be a SDR if some or all of the baseband or RF/IF signal processing is accomplished through the use of digital signal processing software and can be modified post manufacturing.

Report ITU-R M.2117 "Software defined radio in the land mobile, amateur and amateur satellite services"

Resolution 956 (WRC-07)

"Regulatory measures and their relevance to enable the introduction of software-defined radio and cognitive radio systems"

WRC-11 Agenda Item 1.19: consider regulatory measures and their relevance in order to enable the introduction of SDR/CRS. ITU Development Forum 2008

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Antenna Baseband Section Section

International

Telecommunication



Baseband unit (BBU), Analogue-to-Digital/Digitalto-Analogue (AD/DA) converter unit, Radio Frequency Unit (RFU) and the antenna system.

IMT-2000 framework Legal



 Spectrum identification in the ITU Radio Regulations: lower (450-470 & 698-960 MHz), medium (1 710-1 885, 1 885-2 025, 2 110-2 200, 2 300-2 400, 2 500-2 690 MHz) plus satellite component global bands; higher (3 400-3 600 MHz, some countries & with sharing constraints)

Technical

- Recommendation ITU-R M.1457 Detailed specifications of the radio interfaces of IMT-2000
- Recommendations ITU-R M.1580 & ITU-R M.1581 Generic unwanted emission characteristics of base & mobile stations using the terrestrial radio interfaces of IMT 2000

Operational

- Recommendation ITU-R M.1308 Evolution of land mobile systems towards IMT-2000
- Handbook Migration to IMT-2000 Systems







Evolution to IMT-2000



IMT-Advanced schedule

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Steps in radio interface development process:

Step 1: Issuance of the circular letter

Step 2: Developement of candidate RITs and SRITs

- Step 3: Reception of the RIT and SRIT submissions and acknowledgement of receipt
- Step 4: Evaluation of candidate RITs and SRITs by evaluation groups

Step 5: Review and coordination of outside evaluation activities Step 6: Review to assess compliance with minimum requirements Step 7: Consideration of evaluation results, consensus building and decision Step 8: Development of radio interface Recommendation(s)

Critical milestones in radio interface development process:

March 2008

October 2009

- (0): issue an invitation to propose RITs
- (1): ITU proposed cut off for submission of candidate RIT proposals

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- (2): Cut off for evaluation report to ITU
 - (3): WP 5D decides framework and key characteristics of IMT-Advanced RITs and SRITs
 - (4): WP 5D completes development of radio interface specification Recommendations

June 2010 October 2010

February 2011

International

Union

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IMT-Advanced A2-0

Intelligent Transportation

Systems (ITS)

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RADIO SERVICES

- Broadcast: point-to-multipoint one way transmission.
- DSRC: one way or two-way short-range communications (e.g. RFID).
- Short-range radar.
 - Short-range vehicle-to-vehiclecommunications.
 - Short-range continuous communications (e.g., LCX, etc.).
- *Wide area*: mobile two-way communications using networks of terrestrial base stations (e.g., cellular) or using satellites. FIGURE 4
- GPS: for location-based services

such as AVL

one way communication.

Resolution 646 (WRC-03) – Public protection and disaster relief

"considering h) that continuing development of new technologies such as IMT-2000 and systems beyond IMT-2000 and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) may be able to support or supplement advanced public protection and disaster relief applications;"

"resolves 6 that administrations may encourage agencies and organizations to use advanced wireless solutions taking into account *considering h*) and *i*) for providing complementary support to public protection and disaster relief;"



Recommendations ITU-R M.1310 (Objectives & requirements) (1997), M.1452 (60 & 76 GHz) (2000), M.1453 (5.8 GHz) (2005), M.; Handbook (2006).

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International Telecommunication Union

- Terrestrial digital broadcasting carries many advantages over the analogue system:
- Expanded services
- Higher quality video and audio
- Greater variety and faster rates of data transmission
- Consistency of data flows over long distances
- More spectrum efficiency means more channels

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Mobile TV

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An example of enhanced handheld receivers for digital BSS (sound)

ITU-R studies:
✓ user requirements
✓ system characteristics
✓ data transmission mechanisms
✓ content formats
✓ interoperability

Recommendation ITU-R BT.1833: Broadcasting of multimedia and data applications for mobile reception by handheld receivers.



Current systems:ISDB-T (Japan)

- •T-DMB (Rep. Korea)
- •DVB-H (Europe)
- •AVIS (Russia)
- •FLO (US)



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Standards making processes Ways that standards get set in practice:

- De facto standards, i.e., standards set primarily by the market. These standards are often proprietary.
 - Voluntary industry agreements, where standards are often jointly developed. These standards are typically open standards, that is, they are not proprietary.
- De jure standards, i.e., standards imposed by national standards bodies, or agreed upon by regional or international standards development organizations (SDOs)

Wireless standards Committed to Connecting the World





Standards making forums Committed to Connecting the World

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Source: GCS-12, 2007. 24

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- reducing the gap

RESOLUTION 47 (Doha, 2006): Enhancement of knowledge and effective application of ITU Recommendations in developing countries

noting

- the difficulties in understanding ITU Recommendations and related international standards to apply new technology to the network appropriately and effectively;
- the lack of practical information on the application of ITU Recommendations and related standards of other countries, and the lack of guidelines on applying these technical documents,

→ ITU is instructed

- to promote participation in training courses and workshops on best-practice application of ITU Recommendations for developing countries;
- to establish a database containing information on new technologies that are standardized and develop guidelines on applying ITU Recommendations.

Administrations are encouraged

to establish and maintain active national structures to provide for coordination of internal preparation and follow-up, and coordination of participation in external regional and international standardization bodies (e.g., ITU-R), to protect their government & industry interests.