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Q26/16 (Accessibility to Multimedia Systems and Services) thanks FG Cloud for your useful liaison giving information on progress and wishes you success in your work (our TD 290/Gen, your Cloud-LS3).

We recently received a proposal to create a Focus Group on Accessibility; however, we decided not to proceed as suggested because we felt that the main topic for study (“Investigate how cloud computing technologies can assist in providing accessible ICT services and how cloud computing can be made more accessible”) was more appropriate for FG Cloud.

It is important that the accessibility aspects of all new technologies be carefully considered so that the widest range of users can enjoy such technologies. We encourage you to make sure that your work results in deliverables that are accessible. Our Accessibility Checklist and ITU-T Recommendation F.790 (Telecommunications Accessibility Guidelines for Older Persons and Persons with Disabilities) may be helpful in the work. Some related work is underway elsewhere; for example, see the National Public Inclusive Infrastructure (<http://www.npii.org/>).

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