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## **Resolution 81 – Strengthening collaboration**

### ***CAUTION !***

### ***PREPUBLISHED RESOLUTION***

This prepublication is an unedited version of a recently approved Resolution. It will be replaced by the published version after editing. Therefore, there will be differences between this prepublication and the published version.

## FOREWORD

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is the United Nations specialized agency in the field of telecommunications, information and communication technologies (ICTs). The ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) is a permanent organ of ITU. ITU-T is responsible for studying technical, operating and tariff questions and issuing Recommendations on them with a view to standardizing telecommunications on a worldwide basis.

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA), which meets every four years, establishes the topics for study by the ITU-T study groups which, in turn, produce Recommendations on these topics.

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## RESOLUTION 81

### Strengthening collaboration

(Dubai, 2012)

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (Dubai, 2012),

*considering*

- a)* the responsibilities of the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group (TSAG), as outlined in Article 14A of the ITU Convention, which include, pursuant to No. 197F, the recommendation of measures, *inter alia*, to foster cooperation and coordination with other relevant bodies, with the Radiocommunication Sector, the Telecommunication Development Sector and the General Secretariat;
- b)* Resolution 22 (Rev. Dubai, 2012) of this assembly, on authorization for TSAG to act between world telecommunication standardization assemblies (WTSAs), which outlines the mandate and duties of TSAG consistent with the responsibilities outlined in Article 14A of the Convention;
- c)* that ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) external cooperation is guided by relevant WTSA Resolutions, ITU-T A-series Recommendations and Supplements;
- The square brackets will be removed
  - "*considering c*" will read "that ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) external cooperation is guided by relevant ITU-T Resolutions, A-series Recommendations and Supplements;"
  - Under "invites TSAG", the word "complementary" will be removed
- d)* that there are current models for collaboration between standards bodies such as the World Standards Cooperation (WSC) involving ITU and ISO/IEC, and the Global Standards Collaboration (GSC) involving a number of participating standards organizations, including ITU, as well as the collaborative activities involving ITU associated with the development of a globally harmonized set of intelligent transportation system (ITS) communication standards;
- e)* that Resolution 1 (Rev. Dubai, 2012) of this assembly, on rules of procedure of ITU-T, makes it very clear that cooperation with other relevant standards bodies is desirable;
- f)* that ITU has established a number of memoranda of understanding with relevant major standards bodies, the key objective being to improve collaboration;
- g)* that the 2012 Chief Technology Officers (CTO) meeting continued to work towards a new approach to international standardization based on improved collaboration, cooperation and coordination with other organizations, and that ITU-T is asked to continue to promote an industry-led, consensus-based approach to standardization;
- h)* that the 2012 Global Standards Symposium (GSS) recognized that a collaborative mechanism should be developed between related standards bodies to identify new work areas at an early stage, and agree on a common approach in order to bring the respective skills of the different bodies together in a cooperative manner for the purpose of developing common global standards,

*resolves*

- 1 that an action plan be developed by TSAG, which will result in:
  - the identification of areas where improvement is required, taking into account CTO meeting outcomes and the results of GSS;
  - the development of a mechanism within ITU-T to achieve this objective; and
  - documentation of the mechanism developed, which defines specific steps on how to improve coordination with other relevant standards bodies regarding development of new Questions that are intended to address new domains and new work items under such Questions,
- 2 that this mechanism, which could take the form of a working party or group of TSAG, and which may work additionally between TSAG meetings in order to ensure continuity of the discussions on this topic, should:
  - report to TSAG for implementation on the outcome of actions taken;
  - work, as required, including the socialization of ITU-T's desire to work cooperatively with the relevant standards bodies to improve cooperation; and
  - provide a report to TSAG containing the outcome of the actions taken and that this report will be subsequently submitted to WTSA-16,

*invites the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group*

to establish and maintain a close relationship with the Review Committee in order to develop synergies for the development of recommendations which are addressed to the objective of strengthening collaboration between ITU-T and other standards bodies.