Preparation of APT for PP-22



The APT Preparatory Group for PP22 (APT PP-22)

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APT Preparatory Group for PP (1)



Objectives

The main objective of APT-PP is to organize coordinated regional activities for ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP) in order to ensure that the interests of APT Members on the overall operation of the ITU are properly represented. The activities include, but are not limited to:

- to assist APT Members to prepare for the ITU PPs in coordinating issues of regional interest and the submission of regional contributions to the Conference.
- to develop proposals from APT Members that considers the interest of the Asia-Pacific region as inputs for PPs
- To assist APT members during the PPs.
- Terms of Reference
 - https://www.apt.int/APT-PP22

APT Preparatory Group for PP (2)



Structure

- Solution Working Group 1 (WG1): Policy and Legal Matters
- Solution Working Group 2 (WG2): Administration and Management
- Solution Working Group 3 (WG3) : Public Policy and General Matters



APT Preparatory Group for PP (3)



Office Bearers

Plenary
Chair – Ms. Caroline Greenway (Papua New Guinea)
Vice-Chair – Mr. Tang Zicai (People's Republic of China), Mr. Alireza Darvishi (Islamic Republic of Iran), Ms. Eum Jihyun (Republic of Korea)

WGs	WG1	WG2	WG3
Chair	Ms. Mina Seonmin Jun (Republic of Korea)	Mr. Yoshiaki Nagaya (Japan)	Mr. William Lee Kang Hwa (Malaysia)
Vice- Chairs	Mrs. Aulia Astagina Ramadhani (Indonesia) Mr. Yasunari Ueno (Japan)	Ms. Clare Spring (Australia) Mr. Zhang Chunfei (People/s Republic of China)	Ms. Thasawan Samorwong (Thailand)

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WG1: Policy and Legal Matters

- Review Council decisions/discussions/recommendations on policy, structure, legal and general issues;
- Review the substance of the treaty level instruments of ITU and proposed amendments to the Constitution (CS), Convention (CV), Rules of Procedure and Optional Protocol, if it is absolutely necessary;
- Review and propose amendments to the Rules of Procedure of Conferences and meetings relating to the Radiocommunication, Telecommunication Standardization and Telecommunication Development Sectors, and operational aspects of Plenipotentiary Conferences and the Council, if necessary;
- Review PP Decisions, Resolutions and Recommendations relevant to the activities of WG1;
- Review contributions and proposals to PP-22 from other regions and countries on any strategic issue, including policy, structure, or legal issues;
- Examine the outputs of relevant CWGs on matters falling under the responsibility of the group.

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WG2: Administration and Management

- Review and propose improvements to the management and functioning of ITU, except matters dealt by WG1;
- Review the draft ITU Strategic Plan, prepared by CWG on the Union's Strategic Plan, in the context of the implementation of results-based budgeting;
- Review and propose improvements in ITU financial processes, taking into account outcomes from ITU Council and its relevant Working Group;
- Review Income and Expenditure and the Financial Plan;
- Review Council decisions/discussions/recommendations on finance, management, budget and human resources development;
- Consider on expenditure issues, aiming to achieve a timely response to unanticipated demand for services under the cost recovery system, as well as the financial stability of the ITU;
- Review PP Decisions and Resolutions relevant to the activities of WG2;
- Review contributions and proposals to PP-22 from other regions and countries on administration, finance and budget issues; including draft financial policies and the draft financial plan;
- Examine outputs of relevant CWGs on matters falling under the responsibility of this group

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WG3: Public Policy and General Matters

- Consider reports and proposals and recommend appropriate actions with regard to issues related to public policies, including Internet and other general matters;
- Consider the proposal concerning the future role of International Telecommunication Regulations in the light of works being done by Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITR);
- Review PP Decisions and Resolutions relevant to the activities of WG3;
- Review contributions and proposals to PP-22 from other regions and countries on any public policies, including Internet and other general matters;
- Consider issues relating to the implementation of the outcome of WSIS and SDG 2030, etc.;
- Examine outputs of relevant CWGs on matters falling under the responsibility of this group

Work Plan for APT PP-22



4 times of Preparatory meetings



Deliverables of APT PP-22



APT Common Proposal (ACP)

A document containing subject matter developed by the APT PP-22 and endorsed by the required number of APT Members for submission by the Secretary General as a multi-country proposal to another organization

Note: Preliminary ACP (PACP) is under the direct remit of APT PP-22 (i.e., Plenary approval) whereas ACP requires Members' endorsement

APT Position

A document containing an agreed view of APT Members on certain matters to be used internally prior to or during the debate at international Conferences/Assemblies *Note: Plenary approval is required*

APT View

A view approved by the plenary of the APT PP-22 on certain matters, which can be submitted to an international organization by the Secretary General on behalf of Members participating at that plenary (for submission to the international organizations mainly at no higher level than ITU Study Group activities or equivalent) *Note: Plenary approval is required*



Conditions for PACPs

- PACPs should be, as far as possible, be adopted by consensus at the Plenary of APT-PP;
- However, if there is a difference of opinion at the Plenary and further discussion cannot produce consensus then, as a last resort, document can be adopted provided that:
 - the document is supported by at least one quarter (25%) of the APT Members present at the Plenary; AND,
 - the document is not opposed by a number of Members present at the Plenary greater than the number of Members who support it.



Conditions for ACPs

- Once PACPs are formulated by the APT preparatory meetings, they are required to be circulated to all APT Members (38 Members) through the APT Secretariat for endorsement. When they meet the criteria below, those PACPs become ACPs,
- On confirmation of a proposal as a PACP, all APT Members will be asked to consider inclusion of their country name as a signatory to that proposal. A PACP becomes an ACP provided that:
 - the proposal is supported by at least one quarter (25%) of the APT Members; AND
 - the proposal is not opposed by more than 50% of the number of Members who support it.

Outcomes of APT PP22-2 (1)



Preliminary APT Common Proposals (PACPs)

- (MOD) Resolution 179 (ITU's role in child online protection)
 - to strengthen the role of sector member to develop innovative solutions and applications to facilitate providing appropriate practical + some editorial changes
 - *(focal point)* Heung Youl Youm (<u>hyyoum@sch.ac.kr</u>) / Republic of Korea
- (MOD) Resolution 200 (Connect 2030 Agenda for global telecommunication/information and communication technology, including broadband, for sustainable development)
 - to reaffirm the critical role of telecommunications/ICTs and digital inequalities in the era of pandemic, telecommunications/ICTs, + reflect the recent changes and challenges
 - (focal point) Tae Eun KIM(<u>Imy94@kisdi.re.kr</u>) / Republic of Korea

Outcomes of APT PP22-2 (2)



CS / CV

- APT Members agreed not to change CS / CV unless it is absolutely necessary
- Article 48 of CS
 - APT Members agreed not to change Article 48 of CS and will further explore alternative measures including a new Resolution at the subsequent meeting

Outcomes of APT PP22-2 (3)



On-going discussion for PACPs

- (MOD) Resolution 130 (Strengthening the role of ITU in building confidence and security in the use of information and communication technologies)
- (MOD) Resolution 140 (ITU's role in implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as well as in their follow-up and review processes)
- (MOD) Resolution 180 (Promoting deployment and adoption of IPv6 to facilitate the transition from IPv4 to IPv6)
- (MOD) Resolution 182 (The role of telecommunications/ICTs in regard to climate change and the protection of the environment)
- (MOD) Resolution 197 (Facilitating the Internet of Things and smart sustainable cities and communities)

Outcomes of APT PP22-2 (4)



Identified topics for further discussion at the subsequent meetings

Resolution 48 (Human resources management and development)

- With a view to consolidating human-resource-related text from Resolution 70 into this resolution and proposing modifications to assist addressing the enduring ITU employment for gender gap
- Resolution 70 (Mainstreaming a gender perspective in ITU and promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women through telecommunications/ICTs)
 - With a view to sharpening the focus of Resolution 70 to emphasise achieving results of reducing gender gaps in government, public and private sectors and academia

Resolution 100 (Role of the Secretary-General of ITU as depositary for memorandum of understanding)

With a view to explore options to improve transparency and strengthen the processes and procedures surrounding the ITU entering into MoUs

Way Forward



- Future APT Preparatory meetings
 - APT PP22-3 on 9-12 May, Tokyo/Japan (physical / virtual)
 - APT PP22-4 on 1-5 August, Bangkok/Thailand (physical)
- Council 2022 and 3 times of IRM require due attention of APT Members



