

STATUS REPORT ON TELECOM SURPLUS PROJECTS

1. Project Title: Wireless IP Bulgaria (7BUL03001)

2. Brief Description: Three Wireless IP projects (Bulgaria, Uganda, Yemen) have been selected by the TSSC to pilot the use of Wireless IP technology for facilitating access in remote and rural areas to basic communications, Internet and to support a variety of specific applications (telemedicine, teleeducation, etc).

The project in Bulgaria extends an existing network of telecentres around the rural town of Septemvri. Emphasis is placed on telemedicine applications using blood pressure meters and electrocardiographs. Eight new villages/sites are connected to Septemvri Medical Emergency Center.

ITU is involved in the procurement of a Wide Area Network and of the healthcare devices.