



## **The ASEAN Telecommunication Regulators' Council (ATRC) Work Plan 2005 - 2006**

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### **Background**

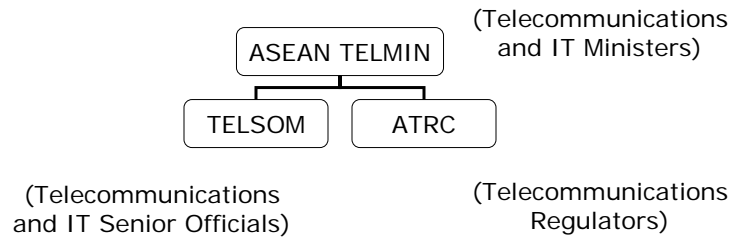
- ATRC was formed in July 1995 as an independent regional grouping
- Started as a technical committee, evolved to cover all regulatory matters
- Included in the ASEAN institutional structure in 2001 when ASEAN TELMIN was established
- Meets once a year, Chair rotates annually
- No programme budget for ATRC
- Malaysia is Chair for the 2005/2006 term

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## Background

Where ATRC sits institutionally



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## What We Do

- Share information and experience on regulatory issues
- Coordinate views on regional and international matters
- Conduct capacity building activities
- Develop guidelines for best practices in regulation
- Promote Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRA)
  - to support ASEAN telecommunications equipment trade

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## Major Achievements

- ATRC Sectoral Mutual Recognition Arrangement for Telecommunications Equipment
- ATRC Framework for Cooperation on Network Security

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## The ATRC Work Plan 2005 - 2006

- Complements TELSOM work programme
- To ensure continuity of discussions between ATRC meetings
- And continued relevance of ATRC work items to Members' interests, TELMIN's directions and other regional and international developments

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## The ATRC Work Plan 2005 - 2006

- Divided into two tiers
- Conduct stock-takes, info-sharing, capacity building workshops
- Develop benchmarks, guidelines or regulatory models
- Key focus – capacity building, international issues, development of best practice models

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## The ATRC Work Plan 2005 - 2006

### Tier 1 work items

- Develop benchmarks, guidelines or regulatory models
- Conduct capacity building workshops before next ATRC meeting
- Submit report and recommendations at next ATRC meeting.

### Tier 2 work items

- Stocktaking and Information-sharing (possibly virtual)
- Where necessary, a working group to be formed to study the issue
- Where appropriate, report and recommendations (if any) to be submitted at next ATRC meeting

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## Focus Areas

### Tier 1

- ATRC MRA
- Migration / Transition Issues
- Competition Issues
- Public Consultation
- Broadband Deployment
- NGN (eg VOIP)

### Tier 2

- 3G
- Resource Planning and Management (incl RFID, wireless broadband spectrum)
- Universal Service provision
- WTO-related issues
- Network Security (incl Spam)

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## Implementation

- Work Plan Working Group set up to implement and monitor work plan
- All work to be completed by Q2, 2006
- Next ATRC Meeting tentatively July 2006
- Tier 1
  - Best practices, guidelines or regulatory models to be completed and circulated by 30 April 2006
  - Workshops to be held by 30 April 2006
- Tier 2
  - Stocktake and information sharing to be completed and circulated by 30 April 2006

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# **THANK YOU**

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