



# Report from the informal meeting of Regional Regulators Associations

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Mr. David Gomez, Chairman, Association of  
Communications and Telecommunications  
Regulators of the Portuguese Speaking  
Countries (ARCTEL-CPLP)

## The informal meeting of Regional Regulators Associations

- The meeting was chaired by Dr. Abdulrahman Bin Ahmed Al-Jaafari, Governor, Communications and Information Technology Commission of Saudi Arabia and moderated by Mr. David Gomes, Chairman, Association of Communications and Telecommunications Regulators of the Portuguese Speaking Countries (ARCTEL-CPLP).
  - 28 participants from 7 Regional Associations and ITU represented by Mr. Sami Al Basheer Al Morshid, Director, ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau:
    - AREGNET;
    - ARCTEL;
    - ARCTAC;
    - EACO;
    - FRATEL;
    - REGULATEL;
    - WATRA .
  - Presentations made by ARCTEL, AREGNET, REGULATEL.
    - Presentations will be available on line at [www.itu.int/ITU-D/treg/Events/Seminars/GSR/GSR09/rras09](http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/treg/Events/Seminars/GSR/GSR09/rras09)
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## Regional cooperation

<b>Challenges of RRAs</b>	<b>RRAs Aims and Objectives</b>
Use ICT for poverty reduction	Achieve efficient and well-grounded regulatory process
Need for stable and coherent regulatory framework that works within developing economies where resources are particularly scarce	Harmonization – promote regional regulation
Need for more information sharing between RRAs	Facilitate access to information and cooperation between associations
Need for more cooperation and collaboration	Promote common and regular activities

## Regional motivation

<b>RRA drivers</b>	<b>Inter-RRA Drivers</b>
Enhance regulation within the region and improve regulatory harmonization	Enhance regulation throughout all regions
Promote the adoption of best practices, exchange of information and experts, joint studies and adopt a common position	Improve inter regional regulatory harmonization by promoting the adoption of best practices
Create an active and harmonized regulatory environment to improve cooperation and encourage innovation and communications development	Exchange information and experts and execute joint studies and adoption of common positions

# Conclusions

## Future actions:

- Organize annual meetings in parallel with GSR;
- Establish a Regional Association Secretariat Network in collaboration with ITU;
- Use the G-REX forum as a platform for Regional Association Secretariat Network.



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# Thank you!