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**Administrative Circular
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**To Administrations of Member States of the ITU and
Radiocommunication Sector Members participating in the
work of the Radiocommunication Study Groups and the Special
Committee on Regulatory/Procedural Matters**

Subject: Meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6 (Broadcasting service),
Geneva, 7-8 May 2009

1 Introduction

By means of this Administrative Circular, we wish to announce that a meeting of ITU-R Study Group 6 will take place in Geneva from 7 to 8 May 2009, following the meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C (see Circular Letter [6/LCCE/64](#)).

2 Programme of the meeting

The draft agenda for the meeting of Study Group 6 is contained in Annex 1.

The Questions assigned to Study Group 6 may be found on:

<http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/que-rsg6/en>

2.1 Adoption of draft Recommendations at the Study Group meeting (§ 10.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5)

No Recommendations are proposed for adoption by the Study Group in accordance with the §10.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5.

2.2 Adoption of draft Recommendations by a Study Group by correspondence (§ 10.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5)

The procedure described in § 10.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5 concerns draft new or revised Recommendations which are not specifically included in the agenda of a Study Group meeting.

In accordance with this procedure, draft new and revised Recommendations prepared during the meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C held prior to the Study Group meeting will be submitted to the Study Group. After due consideration, the Study Group may decide to seek adoption of these draft Recommendations by correspondence. In such cases, the Study Group may also decide to apply the procedure for simultaneous adoption and approval (PSAA) of a draft Recommendation as described in § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5 (see also § 2.3 below).

In accordance with § 2.25 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5, Annex 2 to this Circular contains a list of topics to be addressed at the meetings of the Working Parties held prior to the Study Group meeting, and for which draft Recommendations may be developed.

2.3 Decision on approval procedure

At the meeting, the Study Group shall decide on the eventual procedure to be followed for seeking approval for each draft Recommendation in accordance with § 10.4.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5. Approval may be sought by submitting the draft Recommendation to the next Radiocommunication Assembly, or by consultation of the Member States; alternatively, the Study Group may decide to use the PSAA procedure described in § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-5.

3 Contributions

Contributions in response to the work of Study Group 6 are processed according to the provisions laid down in Resolution ITU-R 1-5 and posted on <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/r07-SG06-c/en>.

The deadline for submission of contributions is Thursday, 30 April at 16:00 hours UTC.

Submissions received later than this deadline cannot be accepted. Resolution ITU-R 1-5 provides that contributions which are not available to participants at the opening of the meeting shall not be considered.

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to:

rsg6@itu.int

A copy should also be sent to the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 6. The pertinent addresses can be found on:

http://www.itu.int/cgi-bin/htsh/compass/cvc.param.sh?acvty_code=6

4 Participation/Visa requirements

Delegate/participant registration for the meeting will be carried out online via the ITU-R website. Each Member State/Sector Member/Associate was requested to designate a focal point to be responsible for the handling of all registration requests for his/her administration/organization. Individuals wishing to attend should contact the focal point designated for all Study Group activities for his/her entity directly. The list of designated focal points (DFPs) is available on the **ITU-R Delegate Registration and Member Information** webpage at:

<http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/delegate-reg-info/en>.

4.1 Visa requirements

We would like to remind delegates and participants that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend time in Switzerland. **The visa must be requested at least three (3) weeks prior to the opening of the meeting** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Switzerland in the respective country of origin. In cases where there is no such office in the country, the visa should be obtained from the office that is closest to the country of departure. If problems are encountered, the Union can, at the official request of the administration or entity being represented, approach the competent Swiss authorities in order to facilitate the delivery of the visa, however, this procedure will require three weeks as mentioned above. Any such request must be accompanied by the approved registration form related to the ITU conference or meeting in question.

For further information see <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/delegate-reg-info/en>.

4.2 Visa requests

For Delegates/Participants who have made their registration request on-line via their respective Member State/Sector Member/Associate DFP, the process for requesting visa support has been simplified. ***If ITU Headquarters assistance is required***, the request for support in obtaining a visa may be made by the DFP at the time of completion of the registration request for the individual concerned. On the bottom of the registration form, the DFP will find several questions which must be completed fully and accurately. The required information is as follows:

Date of birth

Passport number

Passport issuance and expiry dates

The visa support procedure will subsequently follow automatically. The Delegate/Participant will be notified via the Confirmation of Registration form sent to his/her e-mail address that the visa support request has been received and is being processed.

The Delegate Registration desk will open at 08:30 hours on the first day of the meeting at the entrance of the Montbrillant building. Please note that the confirmation of registration sent to each delegate/participant by e-mail must be presented, together with photo identification, in order to receive a badge.

Information regarding hotel accommodation for meetings held in Geneva is available at <http://www.itu.int/travel/index.html>.

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- ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 6
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- Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference Preparatory Meeting
- Members of the Radio Regulations Board
- Secretary-General of the ITU, Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau, Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau

Annex 1

Draft agenda for the 3rd meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6

(Geneva, 7 - 8 May 2009)

- 1** Opening of the meeting
- 2** Approval of the agenda
- 3** Appointment of the Rapporteur
- 4** Summary Record ([Document 6/122](#))
- 5** Executive Reports from Working Party Chairmen
 - 5.1** WP 6A
 - 5.2** WP 6B
 - 5.3** WP 6C
- 6** Consideration of new and revised Recommendations
 - 6.1** Recommendations where notice of intention to seek adoption was not given (see Resolution ITU-R 1-5, §§ 10.2.3, 10.3 and 10.4)
 - Decision to adopt the text by Study Group
 - Decision on eventual approval procedure to be followed
- 7** Results of the meetings of ITU-R SG 6 Steering Committee
- 8** Status of Handbooks, Questions, Recommendations, Reports, Opinions, Resolutions and Decisions
- 9** Liaison with other Study Groups and international organizations
- 10** Schedule of meetings
- 11** Any other business

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Annex 2

Topics to be addressed at meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C held prior to the meeting of Study Group 6 and for which draft Recommendations may be developed

Working Party 6A

Spectrum usage and user requirements for wireless microphones (PDNR ITU-R BT.[WIREMIC] in [Annex 2 to Document 6A/120](#))

Protection requirements for broadcast systems against interference from radio devices utilizing the TV bands (PDNR ITU-R BT.[WS] in [Annex 3 to Document 6A/120](#))

Protection requirements for broadcasting systems operating in the LF, MF, HF and VHF bands below 80 MHz against the radiation from PLT systems (PDNR ITU-R BT.[PLT REC] in [Annex 4 to Document 6A/120](#))

Error-correction, data framing, modulation and emission methods for digital terrestrial television broadcasting (PDNR ITU-R BT.1306-3 in [Annex 5 to Document 6A/120](#))

Frequency requirements for terrestrial electronic news gathering (PDNR ITU-R BT.[ENGFREQ] in [Annex 6 to Document 6A/120](#))

Planning criteria for digital terrestrial television services in the VHF/UHF bands (PDNR ITU-R BT.1368 in [Annex 7 to Document 6A/120](#))

Working Party 6B

Conditional-access systems for digital broadcasting (PDNR ITU-R BT.[DCAS] in [Annex 2 to Document 6B/69](#))

Harmonization of declarative content format for interactive TV applications (PDNR ITU-R BT.1699 in [Annex 3 to Document 6B/69](#))

Multichannel extensions of audio coding systems for digital broadcasting (PDNR ITU-R BS.[MEAC] in [Annex 4 to Document 6B/69](#))

User requirements for electronic news gathering (PDNR ITU-R BT.[ENGUSER] in [Annex 5 to Document 6B/69](#))

Multiplexing scheme for variable-length packets (PDNR in [Annex 6 to Document 6B/69](#))

Working Party 6C

Metadata for broadcast operational monitoring (PDNR in [Annex 2 to Document 6C/133](#))

Subjective assessment method of picture quality delivered to the home over broadband IP networks (PDNR ITU-R BT.[ASSESS] in [Annex 3 to Document 6C/133](#))

Perceptual visual quality measurement techniques for mobile broadcasting in the presence of a reduced bandwidth reference (PDNR in [Annex 4 to Document 6C/133](#))

Operational practices for loudness in the international exchange of digital television programmes (PDNR ITU-R BS.[XXX] in [Annex 5 to Document 6C/133](#))

Adaptive image quality control in television systems (PDRR ITU-R BT.1691 in [Annex 6 to Document 6C/133](#))

Optimization of the quality of colour reproduction in digital television (PDRR ITU-R BT.1692 in [Annex 7 to Document 6C/133](#))

Methodology for the subjective assessment of the quality of television pictures (PDRR ITU-R BT.500-11 in [Annex 8 to Document 6C/133](#))
