

Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter 5/LCCE/87

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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members, ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5 and ITU Academia

Subject: Thirty-sixth meeting of Working Party 5D

1 Introduction

By means of this Circular Letter, I wish to announce that meeting of ITU-R Working Party 5D will take place in the ITU Headquarters in Geneva from 5 to 16 October 2020:

Group	Meeting dates	Deadline for contributions 16:00 hours UTC	Opening session
Working Party 5D	5–16 October 2020 10 working days Monday – Friday	Monday, 28 September 2020	Monday, 5 October 2020 at 0930 hours (physical) / or other starting time if e-meeting

Special details about the meeting

The exceptional circumstances and ongoing restrictions related to the COVID-19 outbreak, make it impossible to ascertain, at this date, in which format Working Party 5D #36 is going to be held (e.g. physical meeting or a fully remote participation (virtual) meeting). To accommodate this uncertainty, it was decided to extend the usual meeting time by 2 days and fix the beginning for Working Party 5D #36 for 5 October 2020, independent of the final format. Consequently, the deadline for the document contribution is set to 28 September 2020.

2 Programme of the meeting

A draft agenda for the meeting is contained in the Annex.

The status of texts assigned to the Working Party 5D can be found on:

http://www.itu.int/md/R19-SG05-C-0001/en

The Working Party will conduct its work in English.

3 Contributions

Contributions in response to the work of Working Party 5D are invited. These will be processed according to the provisions laid down in Resolution ITU-R 1-8.

The deadline for reception of contributions not requiring translation^{*} (including Revisions, Addenda and Corrigenda to contributions) is seven calendar days (1600 hours UTC) prior to the start of the meeting. **The deadline for reception of contributions for this meeting is specified in the table above.** Submissions received later than this deadline cannot be accepted. Resolution ITU-R 1-8 provides that contributions which are not available to participants at the opening of the meeting cannot be considered.

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to:

rsg5@itu.int

A copy of each contribution should also be sent to the Chairman of Working Party 5D and to the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 5. The pertinent addresses can be found on:

http://itu.int/go/rwp5d/ch http://itu.int/go/rsg5/ch

4 Documents

Contributions will be posted "as received" within one working day on the Working Party 5D webpage established for this purpose. The official versions will be posted on <u>http://www.itu.int/md/R19-WP5D-C/en</u> within 3 working days.

In accordance with Resolution 167 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, **the meetings will be completely paperless**.

5 Webcast/Remote participation

In order to follow the proceedings of ITU-R meetings remotely an audio webcast of the Working Party plenary sessions will be provided through the ITU Internet Broadcasting Service (IBS). Participants do not need to register for the meeting to use the webcast facility, however an ITU TIES account is required to access the webcast.

Remote participants wishing to actively participate (e.g. to introduce a contribution) will need to register in advance for the meeting by indicating this intention to their Designated Focal Points (see section 6). Additionally, they need to coordinate their active participation **at least one month prior** to the meeting with the responsible Counsellor (see Note below).

Note: If the circumstances related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak prevail, these next meeting of Working Party 5D may take place fully electronically (virtual meeting), and remote participation will be offered accordingly. A Corrigendum to this Circular Letter will be issued in due course to provide the usual information including the need to register to be able to participate and details on the platform, required measures for remote participation and meeting schedules, as appropriate.

Further information regarding remote participation can be found at:

https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/study-groups/Pages/remote-participation.aspx

^{*} Where translation is required, contributions should be received at least three months prior to the meeting.

6 Participation/Visa requirements/Accommodation

Registration to this event is mandatory and will be carried out exclusively on-line via Designated Focal Points (DFPs) for ITU-R event registration. The Radiocommunication Bureau has deployed, since May 2019, a new event registration platform where participants must first complete an online registration form and submit their registration request for approval by the corresponding focal point. An ITU/TIES account is required from participants to submit a registration request and obtain registration approval from the corresponding focal point.

The list of ITU-R DFPs (TIES protected) as well as detailed information on this new event registration system, visa support requirements, hotel accommodation, etc. can be found at:

www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events

Mario Maniewicz Director

Annex: 1

Annex

Draft agenda for the meeting of Working Party 5D

(Geneva, 5-16 October 2020)

- **1** Opening remarks
- 2 Approval of the agenda
- **3** Report of the 35th meeting of Working Party 5D (Document <u>5D/222</u>)
- 4 Reports from Rapporteurs and Correspondence Groups
- 5 Working structure and document assignment
- **6** Any other business

S. BLUST Chairman, Working Party 5D