

## RESOLUTION ITU-R 43

### **Rights of Associates**

(2000)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

*considering*

- a) that the rapid pace of change in the radiocommunication environment and industry groups dealing with radiocommunications encourages the increased participation of interested entities and organizations in radiocommunication activities;
- b) that entities or organizations with highly focused areas of activity may be interested only in a small part of the radiocommunication activities but may be discouraged from doing so by the financial obligation incurred by Sector Members;
- c) that Article 19 of the ITU Convention enables the Radiocommunication Sector to admit entities or organizations to participate as Associates in the work of a given Study Group or subgroups thereof;
- d) that Articles 19, 20 and 33 of the Convention contain provisions relevant to the participation of Associates,

*resolves*

- 1 that interested entities or organizations may join the Radiocommunication Sector as Associates, and be entitled to take part in the work of a selected single Study Group and its subordinate groups;
- 2 that Associates may take part in the process of preparing recommendations within a single Study Group, including the roles of participating in meetings, submitting contributions and providing comments before the adoption of Recommendations, if any;
- 3 that Associates shall be granted access to all Study Group documentation in their chosen Study Group and other Study Groups as required by the work programme;
- 4 that Associates shall not be involved in voting for, or approval of Questions and Recommendations;
- 5 that an Associate may serve as Rapporteur (see § 2.11 of Resolution ITU-R 1), within the selected Study Group, except for liaison activities which are to be handled separately,

*invites*

- 1 the Council to determine a financial contribution for Associate membership to share in defraying the expenses of the Radiocommunication Sector and the Study Group concerned as asked for by Article 33 of the Convention and promote wider participation,

*instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau*

- 1 to take the necessary steps to implement this Resolution as soon as practicable.