Bridging The Standardization Gap (BSG) : Collaboration with Regional Offices

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ITU-T Strategic Goals

PP10 Agreed ITU-T Strategic Goals 2012-2015

- To develop interoperable, non-discriminatory international standards (ITU-T Recommendations)

- To assist in bridging the standardization gap between developed and developing countries

- To extend and facilitate international cooperation among international, regional and national standardization bodies

Bridging The Standardization Gap

- To assist in bridging the standardization gap between developed and developing countries and beyond

  – BSG Action Plan prepared for 2011

  – We need to encourage more members from developing countries, not just to join ITU-T but help them become active in developing standards.

BSG Activities - Objectives

- Enhance understanding and application of ITU-T Recommendations at level of developing countries
- Promote developing countries participation in ITU-T Standardization activities
- Promote membership among developing country participants
- Increase membership among universities and research bodies

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BSG Activites Planned

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Regional Workshops:

- Guatemala ,   6-7 June 2011
- CIS States,   October 2011
- Asia-Pacific Region,   November 2011

Capacity Building:

- Fibre Optic Cables and Systems Tutorial, Mexico

- Conformity and Interoperability Event in Tanzania

- Climate Change Event, Ghana

BSG Activities Planned

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- Regional Assessments of national standardization capability
  - Questionnaire sent to developing countries in December 2010
- Online Forums
- E-Learning
- ITU-T Handbooks

BSG Regional Workshops

Event Format:

- 2 days
- 1st Day : Focus on standardization topics important for the region and hot topics in ITU-T
- 2nd Day : Capacity building on Standardization

Capacity Building:

- Standardization Tutorial
- Focus on a specific ITU-T Recommendation

Co-ordination with ITU Regional Office

COORDINATED PLANNING

- ✓ Close collaboration to tailor event to meet needs of the region
- ✓ Assist TSB in identifying potential speakers in the region
- ✓ Assistance for Standardization Bodies of LDCs
- ✓ Assist TSB in obtaining replies to the questionnaire sent to developing countries
- ✓ Collecting regional requirements for ITU-T Recommendations, Handbooks etc

THANK YOU!

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