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19 – 21 March, 2012 , Cairns, Australia

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3rd APT Preparatory Meeting for WTSA 12

Preparations of other Regions & International Organisations for WTSA 12

19–21 March 2012
Cairns, Australia

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Topics to be covered:

Preparations for WTSA12

Issues of current APT interest

Contributions of other Member
States /Regions

TSAG Developments

Other possible areas of
interest to APT

Preparations for WTSA 12

- **APT:**
 - Meeting 3, 19 –24 March & issues raised in meeting documents
 - Meeting 4, 2 – 4 August 2012
- **ITU:**
 - Separate meetings: TSAG, January 2012 & 2–4 July 2012
 - Joint meetings: with other regions
- **Other Regions:**
 - Meetings held in 2011 – views being developed
 - 2012 meeting dates now set

Preparations for WTSA 12

■ ITU TSB

- Circular letter 65: Advice of meeting, 20–29 November 2012
- Circular Letter 251: Detailed information on WTSA 12
- DM–11/1028 & 1029: Announcing GSS, 19 November, prior to WTSA 12
- Separate Circular will announce focus of GSS
- WTSA 12 Agenda/Structure/Work Plan expected soon: but can expect similar to WTSA 08
- Proposed Candidatures so far:
 - Mr. Sherif Guinea, Egypt – proposed for SG2 Chair

Preparations for WTSA 12

■ TSAG

- 10–13 January 2012:
 - TD342: Circular letter from TSB (TSB Circular 190) with detailed information on WTSA)
 - TD 330: TSB Update on WTSA preparations & advice of Side events including: E–Health; ICT innovation in developing countries; Resilience of networks to disasters
- 2–4 July 2012: Final Meeting prior to WTSA 12

ITU Regional WTSA 12 and WCIT 12 Preparatory Meetings



APT Preparatory Meeting: Cairns, Australia
Dates: 19–24 March 2012



RCC Preparatory Meeting: Tashkent, Uzbekistan
Dates: 2–6 April 2012



Arab States Preparatory Meeting: Cairo, Egypt
Dates: 28 April–1 May 2012



Americas Region Preparatory Meeting: Buenos Aires, Argentina
Dates: 14–15 May 2012



The African Region Preparatory Meeting: Durban, South Africa
Dates: 21–24 May 2012

<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/wtsa-12/prepmeet/Pages/default.aspx>

<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/wtsa-12/prepmeet/Pages/calendar.aspx>

Preparations for WTSA 12

- Final APT Preparatory Meeting, 2 – 4 August:
 - After ITU Regional meetings
 - After final TSAG meeting (July 2012)
 - Provides awareness of all other Region's views & Issues of concern
 - Excellent opportunity to determine if we can support other Regions
- Commonwealth Group:
 - Likely meeting May 2012, Durban
 - Another meeting may be held in conjunction with final APT Preparatory meeting
- Contributions to ITU by 20 September 2012

Issues of Current APT Interest

Have been identified by APT CG's, the ASTAP ITU-T Issues Group & at the APT Preparatory meetings to date; including Input documents to this meeting. They include:

- Improving working methods of the ITU-T sector, Modification to ITU-T Rec A.7, (WTSA-3/INP12)
- Remote participation of ITU-T meetings: Also will assist BSG & encourage participation
- Joint Coordination Activities (JCA) & Global Standardization Initiatives (GSI) to address important participation topics across SG's
- Outcomes of PP-10 re ITU-T: Resolution 178
- Structure of Study Groups (WTSA-3/INP11)
- Term of SG Chairs & Vice Chairs Revision of Res.35, (WTSA-3/INP10)
- Review of WTSA 08 Resolutions (WTSA-3/INP09)

Issues of Current APT Interest

- Protocols & Test Specifications of SG11 (WTSA-3/INP07)
- Bridging the standardization Gap (BSG):
 - Digital divide on ICT development & access
 - Migration from legacy networks to new standards
- New study items on:
 - ICT's and Climate Change
 - Cloud computing
 - Conformance and Interoperability
 - Future Networks
 - Smart Grid
 - Internet of Things (IoT) – Machine-to machine communication
- IPv6 (WTSA-3/INP08)
- Revision of ITU-T Rec E.161 (Mapping Standards for languages other than English)
- Enhancing the pre-eminent position of ITU-T in Global Standardization (WTSA-3/INP06)

Contributions of other Member States /Regions

- RCC, 3–4 April, 2012:
 - Program on website. Issues to be covered:
 - NGN, Security & Regulatory Issues
 - Review WTSA08 outcomes
 - Examine ‘Hot Topics’; including structure of SG’s
 - Examine issues of concern and develop Regional proposals
 - Candidacies for Chair, Vice Chairs
 - Enhance participation in ITU–T, emerging activities; including accessibility and Cybersecurity

Contributions of other Member States /Regions

- **Arab States, 28 April – 1 May, 2012:**
 - No information presently available
- **America's (CITEL), 14–15 May 2012:**
 - No information presently available
- **African Region, 21–22 May 2012:**
 - Program on website. Issues to be covered:
 - Review WTSA 08 outcomes
 - 'Hot Topics', including NGN, Convergence, IP-based platforms, ICT's and climate change, Conformance and interoperability.
 - ICT standardization gaps in the African Region
 - Examine issues of concern & develop Regional proposals

TSAG Developments

- TSAG is where WTSA Preparatory work is focused
- TD359: Draft Report of 10–13 January 2012 TSAG meeting – provides excellent summary of progress
- Final TSAG meeting before WTSA to be held 2–4 July 2012
- TSAG has:
 - Established a Focus Group on ‘Bridging the Gap: from Innovations to Standards’
 - Established a Focus Group on ‘Machine-to-Machine Communication/Internet of Things’
 - Considered proposals on SG structure from Japan (C63 & C64), China (C65), Korea (C66) and others
 - TSAG noted the documents & agreed they would be considered by the CG on Work Program, chaired by Mr. Dmitry Cherkesov

TSAG Developments

- TSAG has:
 - Formed the view that the following principle, together with other options, be submitted to WTSA12 on 'Conformity & Interoperability Testing (CIT):
 - Not all Recommendations need to contain a CIT clause
 - For Recommendations where CIT language is appropriate, there is no need for 'every' Recommendation to use the same CIT language
- All WTSA Resolutions are subject to review; principally, in the TSAG CGs on Working Methods, & Work Program & Structure
 - A virtual meeting of TSAG Ad hoc Group on Working Methods will be held 17 – 18 April (15–17:00 Geneva time)

■ TSAG Developments

- TSAG:
 - Has reviewed a draft TSB Circular on ‘Candidates for Chairmen & Vice-Chairman of ITU SG’s & TSAG, 2012–2016. (Now issued by TSB as TSB Circular 251, 24 January 2012)
 - TSAG/WTSA CG’s are listed in Annex I of TD/359
 - Is also working on other WTSA related issues such as:
 - Accessibility & Human Factors
 - Smart Grids
 - Cloud computing
 - ITU role in technical aspects of the internet (PP-10 Resolution 178)
 - BSG issues

Other Possible Areas of Interest to APT

- Cybersecurity – (Of interest to Canada and RCC). Suggest APT look at this issue & also follow progress
- Others not readily identifiable at this stage. Key issues seem covered by topics already identified by APT (through this Preparatory Group and ASTAP ITU–T Issues Group); & are also being progressed through TSAG
- Anticipated that others may be identified:
 - At this meeting
 - Following final TSAG meeting & Regional Preparatory meetings
 - If other issues are identified through TSAG & the various regional preparatory meetings these can be discussed at the final APT Preparatory Meeting in August

ITU Calendar of Regional and other Preparatory Meetings

Updated 31 January, 2012

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January 10-13	TSAG	Geneva
February 1-2	CEPT: DG WCIT	Bienne, Switzerland
February 6-8	APT-ITU Workshop on ITRs (**)	Bangkok, Thailand
February 3rd week	CEPT: DG WTSA	[tbd]
February 27-29	CWG-WCIT	Geneva
March 19-24	<u>APT 3 (WTSA/WCIT) (*)</u>	Cairns, Australia †
March-May [dates tbc]	CEPT (*)	[tbc]
April 2-6	RCC (**)	Tashkent, Uzbekistan †
April 2-4	CEPT Com-ITU (*)	[tbd]
April 23-25	CWG-WCIT	Geneva
April 28- 1(3) May	Arab States (*)	Cairo, Egypt †
May 14-15	CITEL (**)	Buenos Aires †
May 16 (9h30 - 12h30)	Information Session on WCIT	Geneva (during WSIS Forum)
May 22-24	CEPT Com-ITU (*)	[tbd]
May 21-24	ATU 2 (**)	Durban, South Africa †
June 20-22	CWG-WCIT	Geneva
July 2-4	TSAG	Geneva
August 2-4	APT 4 (*)	[tbd]

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(*) ITU to send experts only
 (**) ITU to co-organize
 † venue confirmed

REMINDER

REMEMBER:

- The ITU is contribution driven so your input to APT will set the regional agenda for issues to be considered at WTSA 12
- If you don't raise it (*the issue(s) of concern to your country*) then the APT and ITU cannot consider or take into account your needs and the desired outcomes for your country
- *This is the meeting to make sure your needs are heard & addressed*
- APT Common Positions now need to be developed in accordance with the procedure outlined in Doc. WTSA12-2/INP-06 Rev.2 (Provided for & discussed at the 2nd APT WTSA 12 Preparatory meeting)