A BRIEF OVERVIEW on

WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE (WTDC-2010) PREPARATIONS

Telecommunication Development Bureau

Agenda

- ✓ WTDC-2010

- ✓ Outcome of RPM for the WTDC-2010

- ✓ Outcome of Council 2009 for the WTDC-2010

ITU WTDC , 2010

Sets the agenda and the guidelines
for the following four-year cycle of
ITU Development Programmes
and Initiatives

- Where ?   Hyderabad, India
- When ?   24 May to 4 June, 2010
- Who ?   All stakeholders of the ITU:
              191 State Members and
              317 Sector Members

http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/conferences/wtdc/index.html

Outcome of RPMs 2009

Regional Preparatory Meetings

- Four Regional Preparatory Meetings (RPM) for the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-10) have been held for the Asia-Pacific, Africa, the Americas and CIS regions.

- RPM Europe is going on now and RPM fort Arab States is scheduled for 17-19 January 2010

- At the global level, programmes, activities and initiatives have been reviewed, while relevant adjustments to their scope and objectives were suggested for the coming cycle.

- At the regional level, implementation of projects under regional initiatives were assessed and new initiatives were identified to be proposed to the coming WTDC.

RPM's Outcomes

RPM-ASP
Held in May 09 (5-7) Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Global Development Programmes	Asia-Pacific Regional Initiatives
1. Programme 1: Information & Communication Infrastructure	1. Unique ICT Needs of LDCs, SIDSs, & Landlocked Countries
2. Programme 2: Cybersecurity & ICT Applications	2. Emergency Communication
3. Programme 3: Enabling Environment	3. Digital Broadcasting
4. Programme 4: Capacity Building & Other Initiatives	4. Broadband Access & Adoption in Urban & Rural Areas
	5. Telecom/ICT Policy & Regulation in Asia-Pacific Region

RPM's Outcomes (RPM-ASP)

Proposed Study Questions

- *Combating spam*
- *Costing methodology in a converged environment*
- *Compilation of experiences and case studies on NGN migration*
- *Framing of standard guidelines for Regulatory Impact Analysis to improve the quality of regulatory decision-making*

RPM's Outcomes

Global Development Programmes

1. Programme 1: Information & Communication Infrastructure

2. Programme 2: Cybersecurity & ICT Applications

3. Programme 3: Enabling Environment

4. Programme 4: Capacity Building & Other Initiatives
5. Programme 5 Least Developed Countries and SIDS

African Regional Initiatives

1. Human and institutional capacity building
2. Strengthening and harmonizing policy and regulatory frameworks for integration of African telecommunication/ICT markets

3. Development of a broadband infrastructure and achievement of regional interconnectivity and universal access
4. Introduction of new digital broadcasting technologies
5. Implementation of the recommendations of the *Connect Africa* Summit

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- **Proposed New Study Group Questions**
  - ➢ **Protection of the environment and of the population's health**;
  - ➢ **Impact of telecommunication/ICT technologies on climate change**;
  - ➢ **Consumer Satisfaction and Quality of Service indicators**;
  - ➢ **Power supply for Telecommunication/ICT devices**

RPM's Outcomes

Global Development Programmes

1. Programme 1: Information & Communication Infrastructure

2. Programme 2: Cybersecurity & ICT Applications

3. Programme 3: Enabling Environment

4. Programme 4: Capacity Building & Other Initiatives

Americas Regional Initiatives

1. Emergency communications

2. Digital broadcasting

3. Broadband access and uptake in urban and rural areas

4. Reduction of Internet access costs

5. Human capacity building on ICTs, with emphasis on people with disabilities or living in rural and deprived urban areas

Addressing the unique needs of LDCs and SIDS

Objective: Provision of special assistance to LDCs and SIDS countries to meet their priority ICT requirements through

- *Special Programme for LDCs and SIDS*
- *Global Initiatives for LDCs and SIDS*

Study Groups related matters

➢ **Proposed new study Questions:**

- Securing Information and Communication networks: best practices for developing a culture of Cybersecurity;

- Bridging the Standardization Gap: studies to identify countries' needs and priorities in capacity building in type-approval, conformity assessment, and other matte;

- Strategies for implementation of policies/regulation on the handling of waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) in the field of information and communication technologies;

➢ **Work and structure of Study Groups:**

- Redefinition of the terms of reference of Questions to provide focus and eliminate overlapping;

- Deletion or merging of Questions, when necessary;

- Evaluation of criteria to measure the effectiveness of Questions both in qualitative and quantitative terms

RPM's Outcomes (RPM-AMs)

- **Draft resolutions to be submitted directly by Members to WTDC:**

  - ➢ Strengthening coordination and cooperation between ITU-D and ITU-T on matters of mutual interest and con;

  - ➢ Integrating assistance to indigenous peoples within the activities of BDT and its various programmes ;

  - ➢ Assistance for the implementation of projects aimed at reducing the digital divide

RPM's Outcomes

Global Development Programmes	CIS Regional Initiatives
1. Programme 1: Information & Communication Infrastructure 2. Programme 2: Cybersecurity & ICT Applications 3. Programme 3: Enabling Environment 4. Programme 4: Capacity Building & Other Initiatives	1. Electronic meetings ; 2. Terrestrial digital broadcasting (TV and sound); 3. Virtual laboratory ; 4. Provision of a stable electric power supply for telecommunication facilities in rural and remote areas; 5. Human capacity building in the infocommunication field ; 6. Broadband access, including mobile

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RPM's Outcomes (RPM-CIS)

- **Study groups and TDAG related matters:**
  - **Proposed new/revised study Questions;**
    - Revision of Question 19-1/1 "Implementation of IP telephony in developing countries" to become "Economic and regulatory aspects of the implementation of IP telephony in developing count;
    - Merging Questions 18-1/2 "Implementation aspects of IMT-2000 and information-sharing on systems beyond IMT-2000 for developing countries" and 20-2/2 "Examination of access technologies for broadband telecommunications";
    - A new study group Question on the development of national mobile payment systems based on wireless telecommunication networks;

  - **Work and structure of study groups and TDAG:**
    - Procedures governing the appointment and maximum terms of office for chairmen and vice-chairmen of ITU-D study groups;
    - Scheduling of TDAG meetings in relation to the drafting of the Sector's operational and financial plans;
    - Number of study groups and relationship of outcomes of study groups and programmes ;
    - The TDAG Working Group on Private Sector Issues (WGPS) should retain its current status

RPM's Outcomes (RPM-CIS)

- **Draft resolutions to be submitted directly by Members to WTDC;**

  1. Draft new Resolution "Appointment and maximum term of office of chairmen and vice-chairmen of ITU-D study groups and TDAG" ;

  2. Draft new Resolution "Strengthening coordination and cooperation between ITU-D, ITU-T and ITU-R on matters of mutual interest and concern" ;

  3. Revision of Resolution 47 (Doha 2006) "Enhancement of knowledge and effective application of ITU recommendations in developing countries";

  4. Draft new Resolution "Improving access to healthcare services using information and communication technologies";

  5. Draft new Resolution on ITU Centres of Excellence

Dates and Venues for Remaining RPM related issues

1-3 December 2009: Regional preparatory meeting for the European Region (RPM-EU)

17-19 January 2010: Regional preparatory meeting for the Arab Region (RPM-ARB)

22-26 February 2010: Coordination Meeting followed by the 15th meeting of TDAG, Geneva

A coordination meeting of the RPM chairmen will take place to consolidate the output and submit it to TDAG for its consideration (22-23 February 2010).

Preparation of WTDC-2010

Deliberations in Council 09

- As per Article 22 of the Constitution of the ITU, there shall be a World Telecommunication Development Conference between two Plenipotentiary Conferences;

- Resolution 77 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) resolves to hold the WTDC in March 2010;

- At 2008 session, Council took note of the preparatory work carried out for WTDC-10, and in particular, the consultation process undertaken with Member States interested in hosting the Conference,

- In June 2009, the Government of India extended an invitation to hold WTDC-10 at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC), Hyderabad, India, from 24 May to 4 June 2010,

- The Members of Council, in a consultation carried out between 30 June and 27 July 2009 , endorsed the offer and approved the duration for the conference, exact dates and draft agenda for the Conference

Hyderabad Preparatory Group

- At the secretariat level, an inter-sectoral group was set up to coordinate the preparations of WTDC-10.
- It held its first meeting in July 2009
- Terms of Reference of the Group are:
  - ➢ identify the substantive, administrative and logistical issues that must be addressed in order to prepare for the 2010 World Telecommunication Conference and ensure that they are effectively coordinated;
  - ➢ implement a comprehensive action plan for dealing with these issues, including time frames and responsibilities;
  - ➢ develop the Time Management Plan in light of anticipated requirements;
  - ➢ coordinate the preparation of documents by the Secretariat;
  - ➢ identify possible improvements to the functioning of the Conference

Host Country Agreement

- Following a site visit carried out to Hyderabad by the Secretariat at the end of July 2009, a draft Host Country Agreement was prepared and sent on 14 August 2009 for consideration by the Host Government.

- The Agreement was signed during the Council, Geneva, 21 October 2009, seven months prior to the opening of the Conference.

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