ITU-BDT ACTIVITIES IN SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT AND BROADCASTING

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TECHNOLOGIES AND NETWORKS DEVELOPMENT (TND)

- Mandate of the Unit
  - **WSIS**: Action Line C2
  - **Doha 2006**: Programme 2

- Assist Member States and ITU-D Sector Members to maximize the utilization of appropriate new technologies

- Assists developing countries to plan, build, operate, upgrade, manage and maintain technologies applicable in their networks and services

- Applied research and the transfer of technological know-how

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PROGRAMME 2: Information and communication infrastructure and technologies development

Priorities are given to the following technology-related domains:

• 1.1 Spectrum management and radio monitoring
• 1.2 Broadcasting
• 1.3 Network planning
• 1.4 Mobile terrestrial communications
• 1.5 Innovative services/applications networks

TASKS WITHIN PROGRAMME 2

• Creation of tools
• Creation of training material
• Assistance to members
• Information sharing

The Programme is carried out by various means, including symposia, workshops, conferences, seminars and expert advice.
TND Activities

• **Training**
  Technology-oriented training material developed and presented in all regions

• **Assistance to members**
  Network engineering and dimensioning (Wireline, Wireless, Mobile),
  Spectrum management
  Transition to digital broadcasting

• **Partnerships**
  United Nation agencies and other stakeholders, international and regional organisations

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• Developing principles and techniques for effective spectrum management
• Advising on practical questions from developing countries on spectrum management and broadcasting
• Providing an opportunity for expert and high-level consultation for senior personnel from developing countries
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- Providing information on various aspects of sound and television broadcasting systems/networks and of spectrum management systems (planning, engineering, operations, management and economics).
- Evaluating existing systems and participate in the evaluation of tenders for equipment.
- Participating in seminars and courses organized at ITU Headquarters or elsewhere on specialized aspects of broadcasting and spectrum management subjects.

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SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT AND RADIO MONITORING

The frequency spectrum is recognized as a "scarce resource"

- Efforts to strengthen administrations' national regulatory bodies in the fields of frequency planning and assignment, spectrum management and radio monitoring.
- Assisting developing countries to better plan and manage the use of their radio spectrum and establishing their national frequency management system.

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SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY EXAMPLES / 1

- **SMS4DC (Spectrum Management Software for Developing Countries)**
  - Developed by BDT close cooperation with the ITU-R sector
  - Recent developments: monitoring link, Google Earth
  - Providing training

- **2008**
  - **SMS4DC Trainings**
    - Gambia, Bangladesh, Yemen, Lebanon
  - **Presentations**
    - Buenos Aires (BR Seminar), Johannesburg
    - Regular information to administrations, delegates

- **2009**
  - FAT of version 3 (monitoring, Google Earth)
  - **ITU-D SG2, Resolution 9**

SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY EXAMPLES / 2

- **Assistance to developing countries**
  - spectrum management assessments, revising legislation, spectrum pricing, coordination procedures
  - assisting in spectrum management projects

- **2008**
  - spectrum management assessments
    - Benin, Gambia, Samoa, Vanuatu, East-Timor, Tonga, Gabon, Sierra-Leone, Zimbabwe
  - assisting in spectrum management projects
    - Angola, Colombia
  - Satellite communication:
    - Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh
  - Spectrum pricing
    - Kenya
Digitization is completely transforming the sound and television broadcasting sector.

- impart information to broadcasters and service providers to all aspects of digital conversion
- provide advice in the area of implementation of digital technology and development of relevant human resources

**ACTIVITY EXAMPLES**

- Transition from analogue to digital
  - Roadmap project for Africa
  - ITU-D SG2 Question 11-2/2
- Cooperation with regional broadcasting unions
  - e.g. WBU, EBU, ABU, ASBU
- Delivering seminars for capacity building
- Assistance to developing countries
- Conversion of audiovisual archives from analogue to digital
ROADMAP PROJECT IN AFRICA
DIGITAL BROADCASTING TRANSITION

- Outputs of the 1st phase of the project (January – July 2008)
  - Survey on the digital broadcasting transition situation including the African governments’ requirements for assistance from ITU
  - Development of the project document of the 2nd phase of the project

- Expected outputs of the 2nd phase of the project (November 2008 - October 2009)
  - Development of the guidelines on transition to DTTV and introduction of MTV
  - Customization of guidelines and deployment of pilot systems to selected countries

Thank you!

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