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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members and ITU-R Associates participating in the work of the Radiocommunication Study Group 6

Subject: **Meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6 (Broadcasting service), Geneva, 22 November 2013**

1 Introduction

By means of this Administrative Circular, we wish to announce that a meeting of ITU-R Study Group 6 will take place in Geneva on 22 November 2013, following the meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C (see Circular Letter [6/LCCE/84](#)).

The Study Group meeting will be held in the ITU Headquarters, Geneva. The opening session will take place at 0930 hours.

Group	Meeting date	Deadline for contributions	Opening session
Study Group 6	22 November 2013	Friday, 15 November 2013 at 1600 hours UTC	Friday, 22 November 2013 at 0930 hours (local time)

2 Programme of the meeting

The draft agenda for the meeting of Study Group 6 is contained in Annex 1. The Questions assigned to Study Group 6 may be found on:

<http://www.itu.int/pub/R-QUE-SG06/en>

2.1 Adoption of draft Recommendations at the Study Group meeting (§ 10.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6)

No Recommendations are proposed for adoption by the Study Group in accordance with § 10.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6.

2.2 Adoption of draft Recommendations by a Study Group by correspondence (§ 10.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6)

The procedure described in § 10.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6 concerns draft new or revised Recommendations that are not specifically included in the agenda of a Study Group meeting.

In accordance with this procedure, draft new and revised Recommendations prepared during the meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C held prior to the Study Group meeting will be submitted to the Study Group. After due consideration, the Study Group may decide to seek adoption of these draft Recommendations by correspondence. In such cases, the Study Group shall use the procedure for simultaneous adoption and approval (PSAA) by correspondence of the draft Recommendations as described in § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6 (see also § 2.3 below), if there is no objection by any Member State attending the meeting.

In accordance with § 2.25 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6, Annex 2 to this Circular contains a list of topics to be addressed at the meetings of the Working Parties held just prior to the Study Group meeting, and for which draft Recommendations may be developed.

2.3 Decision on approval procedure

At the meeting, the Study Group shall decide on the eventual procedure to be followed for seeking approval for each draft Recommendation in accordance with § 10.4.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6, unless the Study Group has decided to use the PSAA procedure as described in § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6 (see § 2.2 above).

3 Contributions

Contributions in response to the work of Study Group 6 are processed according to the provisions laid down in Resolution ITU-R 1-6.

The membership is encouraged to submit contributions (including revisions, addenda and corrigenda to contributions) in order for them to be received 12 calendar days prior to the start of the meeting. The deadline for reception of contributions is seven calendar days (1600 hours UTC) prior to the start of the meeting. **The deadline for reception of contributions for this meeting is specified in the table above.** Contributions received later than this deadline cannot be accepted. Resolution ITU-R 1-6 provides that contributions which are not available to participants at the opening of the meeting shall not be considered.

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to:

rsg6@itu.int

A copy should also be sent to the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 6. The pertinent addresses can be found on:

<http://www.itu.int/go/rsg6/ch>

4 Documents

Contributions will be posted “as received” within one working day on the webpage established for this purpose:

<http://www.itu.int/md/R12-SG06.AR-C/en>

The official versions will be posted on <http://www.itu.int/md/R12-SG06-C/en> within 3 working days.

In agreement with the Chairman of Study Group 6, **the Study Group meeting will be completely paperless.** Wireless LAN facilities will be available for use by delegates in the meeting rooms. Printers are available in the cyber café of the 2nd basement of the Tower building and on the ground floor and first floor of the Montbrillant building for delegates who wish to print documents. In addition, the Service Desk (servicedesk@itu.int) has prepared a limited number of laptops for those who do not have one.

5 Remote participation

In order to facilitate remote participation in ITU-R meetings an audio webcast of the Study Group Plenary meetings in all languages will be provided through the ITU Internet Broadcasting Service (IBS).

Remote participants wishing to actively participate (e.g. to introduce a contribution) will need to register in advance for the meeting (see section 6) and coordinate their active participation at least one month prior to the meeting with the responsible Counsellor.

Further information regarding remote participation can be found at:
www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/rsg-remote/.

6 Participation/Visa requirements/Accommodation

Advance registration to ITU-R events is mandatory and carried out exclusively online through Designated Focal Points (DFPs). Each ITU-R Member has been requested to designate a DFP responsible for the handling of all registration formalities, including visa support requests that should also be submitted by the DFP during the on-line registration process. Individuals wishing to be registered to an ITU-R event should directly contact the DFP for their entity. The list of ITU-R DFPs (TIES protected) as well as detailed information on event registration, visa support requirements, hotel accommodation, etc. can be found at:
www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events.

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- Administrations of Member States of the ITU and Radiocommunication Sector Members participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 6
- ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 6
- Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Radiocommunication Study Groups and Special Committee on Regulatory/Procedural Matters
- Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference Preparatory Meeting
- Members of the Radio Regulations Board
- Secretary-General of the ITU, Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau, Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau

Annex 1

Draft agenda for the 4th meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6

(Geneva, 22 November 2013)

- 1** Opening of the meeting
- 2** Approval of the agenda
- 3** Appointment of the Rapporteur
- 4** Results of RAG-2013
- 5** Summary Record of the previous meeting (Document [6/147](#))
- 6** Executive Reports from Working Party Chairmen
 - 6.1** Working Party 6A
 - 6.2** Working Party 6B
 - 6.3** Working Party 6C
- 7** Consideration of new and revised Recommendations
 - 7.1** Recommendations where notice of intention to seek adoption was not given (see Resolution ITU-R 1-6, §§ 10.2.3, 10.3 and 10.4)
 - Decision to adopt the text by Study Group
 - Decision on eventual approval procedure to be followed
- 8** Consideration of new and revised Reports
- 9** Consideration of new and revised Questions
- 10** Suppression of Recommendations, Reports and Questions
- 11** Consideration of other contributions
- 12** Results of the meetings of ITU-R SG 6 Steering Committee
- 13** Status of Handbooks, Questions, Recommendations, Reports, Opinions, Resolutions and Decisions
- 14** Liaison with other Study Groups and international organizations
- 15** Schedule of meetings
- 16** Any other business

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Workshop on Emergency Broadcasting to be held on 21 November 2013

Study Group 6, at its April 2013 meeting, endorsed the proposal to hold a half-day Workshop on the essential role of broadcasting in the delivery of emergency information to the public (see § 12 of Document [6/147](#)). The Workshop will be held during the afternoon of 21 November 2013 and will be organized by the Co-Rapporteurs of Working Party 6A who were tasked to develop the Report on the long-standing, essential role of terrestrial radio and television broadcasting to rapidly deliver emergency information to the public (see [Annex 16 to Document 6A/264](#)). At the Workshop, the Co-Rapporteurs will present their intermediate results. Additional experts in this field will be invited by the Co-Rapporteurs. Study Group 6 participants are encouraged to participate actively in this Workshop and to contribute to the Report. The workshop is open to media and the public and should focus on experiences made, lessons learnt and best practice, see also the BR newsflash at <http://www.itu.int/go/ITU-R/news/2013-06/sg6>.

Annex 2

Topics to be addressed at meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C held prior to the meeting of Study Group 6 and for which draft Recommendations may be developed

Working Party 6A

Planning criteria for terrestrial multimedia broadcasting for mobile reception using handheld receivers in VHF/UHF bands (PDNR ITU-R BT.[ETMMPLAN] - See Annex 2 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

Methods for objective reception quality assessment of digital terrestrial television broadcasting signals of System B specified in Recommendation ITU-R BT.1306 (PDRR ITU-R BT.1735 - See Annex 3 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

Planning criteria, including protection ratios, for digital terrestrial television services in the VHF/UHF bands (PDRR ITU-R BT.1368-10 - See Annex 4 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

Error correction, data framing, modulation and emission methods for digital terrestrial television broadcasting (PDRR ITU-R BT.1306-6 - See Annex 5 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

User requirements for wireless microphones (PDRR ITU-R BT.1871 - See Annex 6 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

Masthead amplifier reference model to be used for the assessment of interference into the broadcasting service (PDNR [HEAD-AMP] - See Annex 12 to [Document 6A/264](#)).

Working Party 6B

Technical requirements for Integrated Broadcast-Broadband (IBB) systems (PDNR ITU-R BT.[IBB-TECH] - See Annex 2 to [Document 6B/128](#)).

Broadcasting of multimedia and data applications for mobile reception by handheld receivers (PDRR ITU-R BT.1833-2 - See Annex 3 to [Document 6B/128](#)).

Working Party 6C

Use of UHD TV image systems for capturing, editing, finishing and archiving high-quality HDTV programme (PDNR ITU-R BT. [HQPROD] - See Annex 2 to [Document 6C/176](#)).

Channel-based advanced sound systems for programme production (PDNR ITU-R BS.[ADV-SOUND-CHBASE] - See Annex 3 to [Document 6C/176](#)).

Speaker layout for advanced sound systems for programme production (PDNR ITU-R BS.[ADV-SOUND] - See Annex 4 to [Document 6C/176](#)).

Method for the subjective assessment of intermediate quality levels of coding systems (PDRR ITU-R BS.1534-1 - See Annex 5 to [Document 6C/176](#)).
