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| **Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)** | | |
| Administrative Circular  **CACE/876** | | 30 November 2018 |
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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  and ITU Academia** | | |
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| Subject: | **Meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6 (Broadcasting service), Geneva, 5 April 2019** | |
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# 1 Introduction

By means of this Administrative Circular, I wish to announce that a meeting of ITU‑R Study Group 6 will take place in Geneva on 5 April 2019, following the meetings of Working Parties 6A, 6B and 6C (see Circular Letter [6/LCCE/100](https://www.itu.int/md/R00-SG06-CIR-0100/en)).

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

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| Group | Meeting date | Deadline for contributions | Opening session |
| Study Group 6 | Friday, 5 April 2019 | Friday, 29 March 2019 at 1600 hours UTC | Friday, 5 April 2019 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 status of texts assigned to Study Group 6 and its Working Parties is available in Document [6/1](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C-0001/en), which can be found on:

[www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C-0001/en](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C-0001/en)

The summary Record of the previous meeting on 26 October 2018 (Document 6/288) is available at:

<https://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C-0288/en>

The meeting will be provided with interpretation in all official languages based on announced participation and live captioning in English only.

## 2.1 Adoption of draft Recommendations at the Study Group meeting (§ A2.6.2.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-7)

No Recommendations are proposed for adoption by the Study Group in accordance with § A2.6.2.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-7.

## 2.2 Adoption of draft Recommendations by a Study Group by correspondence (§ A2.6.2.2.3 of Resolution ITU‑R 1-7)

The procedure described in § A2.6.2.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-7 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 § A2.6.2.4 of Resolution ITU-R 1-7 (see also § 2.3 below), if there is no objection to this approach by any Member State attending the meeting and if the Recommendation is not incorporated by reference in the Radio Regulations.

In accordance with § A1.3.1.13 of Resolution ITU-R 1-7, 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 § A2.6.2.3 of Resolution ITU‑R 1‑7, unless the Study Group has decided to use the PSAA procedure as described in § A2.6.2.4 of Resolution ITU‑R 1‑7 (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 1-7.

The deadline for reception of contributions not requiring translation[[1]](#footnote-2)\* (including Revisions, Addenda and Corrigenda to contributions) is 7 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 1-7 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](mailto:rsg6@itu.int)

A copy should also be sent to the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 6 ([rsg6-cvc@itu.int](mailto:rsg6-cvc@itu.int)). The pertinent addresses can be found on:

[www.itu.int/go/rsg6/ch](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:

[www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06.AR-C/en](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06.AR-C/en)

The official versions will be posted on [www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C/en](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C/en) within 3 working days.

In accordance with Resolution 167 (Rev. Busan, 2014), **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](mailto:servicedesk@itu.int)) has prepared a limited number of laptops for those who do not have one.

**5 Remote participation**

In order to follow the proceedings of ITU-R meetings remotely an audio webcast of the Study Group Plenary meetings in all languages will be provided through the ITU Internet Broadcasting Service (IBS). Participants do not need to register for the meeting to use the webcast facility, however, an ITU [TIES account](http://www.itu.int/TIES/) is required to access the webcast.

6 Participation/Visa requirements/Accommodation

Advance registration for 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 for 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](http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events)

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Director

**Annexes**: 2

**Distribution:**

– 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

– ITU Academia

– Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Radiocommunication Study Groups

– 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 7th meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 6

(Geneva, 5 April 2019)

**1** Opening of the meeting

**2** Approval of the agenda

**3** Appointment of the Rapporteur

**4** Summary Record of the previous meeting (Document [6/288](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-SG06-C-0288/en))

**5** Executive Reports from Working Party Chairmen

**5.1** Working Party 6A

**5.2** Working Party 6B

**5.3** Working Party 6C

**6** Consideration of new and revised Recommendations

**6.1** Recommendations where notice of intention to seek adoption was not given (see Resolution ITU-R 1-7, §§ A2.6.2.2.2, A2.6.2.2.3 and A2.6.2.4)

– Decision to adopt the text by the Study Group

– Decision on eventual approval procedure to be followed

**7** Consideration of new and revised Reports

**8** Consideration of new and revised Questions

**9** Suppression of Recommendations, Reports and Questions

**10** Consideration of other contributions

**11** Results of the meetings of ITU-R SG 6 Steering Committee

**12** Status of Handbooks, Questions, Recommendations, Reports, Opinions, Resolutions and Decisions

**13** Liaison with other Study Groups and international organizations

**14** Schedule of meetings

**15** Any other business

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 Chairman, Radiocommunication Study Group 6

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

Technical basis for planning of terrestrial digital sound broadcasting in the VHF band (PDRR ITU-R BS.1660 – See Annex 5 to Document [6A/470](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6A-C-0470/en))

Systems for terrestrial digital sound broadcasting to vehicular, portable and fixed receivers in the frequency range 30 3 000 MHz (PDRR ITU-R BS.1114 – See Annex 6 to Document [6A/470](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6A-C-0470/en))

Working Party 6B

Broadcasting of multimedia and data applications for mobile reception by handheld receivers (PDRR ITU-R BT.1833 – See Annex 7 to Document [6B/294](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6B-C-0294/en))

Audio Definition Model (PDRR ITU-R BS.2076 – See Annex 9 to Document [6B/294](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6B-C-0294/en))

Long-form file format for the international exchange of audio programme materials with metadata (PDRR ITU-R BS.2088 – See Annex 10 to Document [6B/294](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6B-C-0294/en))

**Working Party 6C**

Methods for the subjective assessment of sound systems with accompanying picture (PDNR ITU-R BS.[NEW1286] – See Annex 1 to Document [6C/390](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6C-C-0390/en))

Method for the subjective quality assessment of [highly differentiable] audio systems using multiple stimuli without a given reference (PDNR ITU-R BS.[MS-NOREF] – See Annex 2 to Document [6C/390](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6C-C-0390/en))

A guide to selection of the most appropriate ITU-R Recommendations for subjective assessment of sound quality (PDRR ITU-R BS.1283 – See Annex 3 to Document [6C/390](https://www.itu.int/md/R15-WP6C-C-0390/en))

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1. \* Where translation is required, contributions should be received at least three months prior   
   to the meeting. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)