



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

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To Administrations of Member States of Africa

Subject: **ITU Online Questionnaire on the current and future use of the frequency band 87.5-108 MHz in the African countries**

The ITU Radiocommunication Bureau (BR), in collaboration with the African Telecommunication Union (ATU), is launching a process for the optimization of the GE84 Plan for African countries.

The main purpose of this optimization is to achieve an efficient use of the 87.5-108 MHz (FM) band for analogue sound broadcasting and to allocate new frequencies to FM broadcasting to meet the increasing need for additional frequencies in African countries.

This optimization process requires strong involvement of the participating administrations, to provide the necessary data, update the GE84 Plan and the MIFR, and actively participate in future frequency coordination meetings to successfully identify additional mutually compatible assignments.

Prior to beginning the process, it is necessary to have an accurate picture of the current and future situation of the FM band in Africa. This includes information on the use of the FM band with respect to the Geneva, 1984 Plan in Africa.

For this purpose, the BR has prepared an online questionnaire on the use of the frequency band 87.5-108 MHz in the African countries, which is accessible from the following ITU web page:

www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/broadcast/africa

Your Administration is kindly invited to provide a detailed input to the online questionnaire by **15 November 2019, 18h00 Geneva time.**

The BR remains at the disposal of your Administration via the following email address: brmail@itu.int for any clarification you may require with respect to the subject covered in this Circular Letter.

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