



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter
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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members, ITU-R Associates and ITU Academia participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5

Subject: Meetings of Working Parties 5A, 5B and 5C (Geneva, 18-27 November 2026)

- **Working Party 5A: Land mobile service excluding IMT; amateur and amateur-satellite service**
- **Working Party 5B: Maritime mobile service including the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS); the aeronautical mobile service and the radiodetermination service**
- **Working Party 5C: Fixed wireless systems; HF systems in the fixed and land mobile services**

1 Introduction

By means of this Circular Letter, I wish to announce that meetings of ITU-R Working Parties 5A, 5B and 5C will take place in Geneva, Switzerland on the dates indicated in the table below:

Groups	Meeting dates	Deadline for contributions 1600 hours UTC	Opening session (Geneva time)
Working Party 5A	18-26 November 2026 (7 days)	Friday, 6 November 2026	Wednesday, 18 November at 0930 hours
Working Party 5B	18-27 November 2026 (8 days)	Friday, 6 November 2026	Wednesday, 18 November at 1115 hours
Working Party 5C	18-27 November 2026 (8 days)	Friday, 6 November 2026	Wednesday, 18 November at 1400 hours

2 Programme of the meetings of Working Parties

Draft agendas for the meetings are contained in the Annex.

The status of texts assigned to the Working Parties can be found at:

<http://www.itu.int/md/R23-SG05-C-0001/en>

The Working Parties will conduct their work in English.

The working hours of the meetings will be from 0900 to 1700 hours (Geneva time), a more precise time schedule will be included in the ADM documents of the meetings.

3 Contributions

Contributions will be processed according to the provisions laid down in Resolution [ITU-R 1-9](#).

The deadline for reception of contributions not requiring translation* (including Revisions, Addenda and Corrigenda to contributions) is **twelve calendar days** (1600 hours UTC) prior to the start of the meeting (see table above). Submissions received later than these deadlines cannot be accepted. Resolution ITU-R 1-9 provides that contributions which are not available to participants at the opening of the meeting cannot be considered.

Members are encouraged to submit their contributions as early as possible and possibly include a contact name and email address to facilitate the discussion (cf. § A2.2.4.4 of Resolution ITU-R 1-9).

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to:

rsg5@itu.int

A copy of each contribution should also be sent to the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the relevant Working Parties. The addresses of the Chair and Vice-Chairs can be found on:

<http://itu.int/go/ITU-R/wp5a/cvc>

<http://itu.int/go/ITU-R/wp5b/cvc>

<http://itu.int/go/ITU-R/wp5c/cvc>

4 Documents

Contributions will be posted “as received” within one working day on the Working Party webpages established for this purpose. The official versions will be posted at <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/rsg5/en> (see “contributions” of the relevant Working Party) within 3 working days.

5 Registration/Visa requirements/Accommodation

Registration to this event is mandatory and will be carried out exclusively online via Designated Focal Points (DFPs) for ITU-R event registration. **Participants must first complete an online registration form and submit their registration request for approval by the corresponding focal point.** Participants require an ITU account for this purpose and are strongly encouraged to register early and to indicate if they intend to attend the meeting in person or remotely.

The list of ITU-R DFPs (TIES protected) as well as detailed information on this new event registration system, visa support requirements, hotel accommodation, etc. can be found at:

www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events

Please note that for meetings in Geneva, visa support must be requested during the online registration process and may take up to 21 days. Please see <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events/Pages/visa.aspx> for further information.

* Where translation is required, contributions should be received at least three months prior to the meeting.

6 Remote participation and webcast

Access to meeting sessions is restricted to event registered participants only and can be accessed from the webpage for remote participation:

<https://www.itu.int/en/events/Pages/Virtual-Sessions.aspx>

These virtual meeting session connections will become available 30 minutes before the starting time of each session.

For those interested in following the proceedings of ITU-R meetings remotely, an audio webcast of the Working Party plenary sessions will be provided. Participants do not need to register for the meeting to use the webcast facility, however TIES access is required.

Guidelines on the management of fully virtual meetings and physical meetings with remote participation are available [here](#).

For further questions relating to this Circular Letter, please contact Mr Uwe Löwenstein, Counsellor ITU-R Study Group 5, at uwe.loewenstein@itu.int.

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Director

Annex: 1

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Draft agenda for the meeting of Working Party 5A

(Geneva, 18-26 November 2026)

- 1** Opening remarks
- 2** Approval of the agenda
- 3** Administrative matters
- 4** Report of the last meeting of Working Party 5A (Document [5A/402](#))
- 5** Review of liaison with other Working Parties
- 6** Review of possibilities for development of draft Recommendations and Reports
- 7** Adoption of work program for the meeting
- 8** Establishment of Working Groups and assignment of documents
- 9** Any other business

Amy L. SANDERS
Chair, Working Party 5A

Draft agenda for the meeting of Working Party 5B

(Geneva, 18-27 November 2026)

- 1** Opening remarks
- 2** Approval of the agenda
- 3** Administrative matters
- 4** Report of the last meeting of Working Party 5B (Document [5B/526](#))
- 5** Organization of WP 5B and schedule of the meetings
- 6** Introduction of documents
- 7** Approval of output documents
- 8** Any other business

Gregory BAKER
Chair, Working Party 5B

Draft agenda for the meeting of Working Party 5C

(Geneva, 18-27 November 2026)

- 1** Opening remarks
- 2** Approval of the agenda
- 3** Administrative matters
- 4** Report of the last meeting of Working Party 5C (Document [5C/322](#))
- 5** Review of liaison with other Working Parties
- 6** Reports from Correspondence Group(s)
- 7** Review of possibilities for development of draft Recommendations and Reports
- 8** Meeting schedule
- 9** Establishment of Working Groups and assignment of documents
- 10** Any other business

El Hadjar ABDOURAMANE
Chair, Working Party 5C