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| **Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)** |
| Circular Letter**7/LCCE/85** | 12 December 2023 |
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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 7** |
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| Subject: | **Meetings of Working Parties 7A, 7B, 7C and 7D (Geneva, 18-22 March 2024)****– Working Party 7A: Time signals and frequency standard emissions****– Working Party 7B: Space radiocommunication applications****– Working Party 7C: Remote sensing systems****– Working Party 7D: Radio astronomy** |
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# 1 Introduction

By means of this Circular Letter, I wish to announce that meetings of ITU-R Working Parties 7A, 7B, 7C and 7D will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, on the dates indicated in the table below:

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| Groups | Meeting dates | Deadline for contributions1600 hours UTC | Opening session(Geneva time) |
| Working Party 7A | 19-22 March 2024 | Thursday, 7 March 2024,  | Tuesday, 19 March 2024at 0930 hours |
| Working Party 7B | 18-22 March 2024 | Wednesday, 6 March 2024 | Monday, 18 March 2024at 1400 hours |
| Working Party 7C | 18-22 March 2024 | Wednesday, 6 March 2024 | Monday, 18 March 2024 at 1545 hours |
| Working Party 7D | 19-22 March 2024 | Thursday, 7 March 2024 | Tuesday, 19 March 2024at 0930 hours |

2 Programme of the meetings of Working Parties

The draft agenda for the meetings is contained in the Annex.

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

[www.itu.int/md/R23-SG07-C-0001/en](http://www.itu.int/md/R23-SG07-C-0001/en)
*(Document will be available shortly)*

The Working Parties will conduct their work in English.

The working hours of the Working Parties 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](https://www.itu.int/pub/R-RES-R.1).

The deadline for reception of contributions not requiring translation[[1]](#footnote-1)\* (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 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 to include a contact name and email address to facilitate the discussion (cf. § A2.2.4.4 of Resolution ITU-R 1).

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to:

rsg7@itu.int

A copy of each contribution should also be sent to the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the relevant Working Party and to the Chair of Study Group 7. The addresses can be found on:

[www.itu.int/go/rwp7a/ch](http://www.itu.int/go/rwp7a/ch)

[www.itu.int/go/rwp7b/ch](http://www.itu.int/go/rwp7b/ch)

[www.itu.int/go/rwp7c/ch](http://www.itu.int/go/rwp7c/ch)

[www.itu.int/go/rwp7d/ch](http://www.itu.int/go/rwp7d/ch)

<http://itu.int/go/ITU-R/SG7/Chair>

**4 Documents**

Contributions will be posted “as received” within one working day on the Working Party webpage established for this purpose. The official versions will be posted on <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/rsg7/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 on-line 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 event registration system, 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)

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 [www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events/Pages/visa.aspx](http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/information/events/Pages/visa.aspx) for further information.

**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:

[www.itu.int/en/events/Pages/Virtual-Sessions.aspx](http://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.

For further questions relating to this Circular Letter, please contact Mr Vadim Nozdrin, Study Group 7 Counsellor, at vadim.nozdrin@itu.int.

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Director

**Annex:** 1

Annex

Draft agenda for the meetings of Working Parties 7A, 7B, 7C and 7D

(Geneva,18/19-22 March 2024)

**1** Opening

**2** Approval of the agenda

**3** Chair’s progress Report

**4** Outcome of CPM27-1 of interest to WPs 7A, 7B, 7C and 7D

**5** Status of Questions assigned to the Working Party and related work

**6** Work programme for the meeting

**7** Introduction of input documents

**8** Establishment of working groups and assignment of documents

**9** Preparation of output documents

**10** Discussion of the future work plan

**11** Next meetings

**12** Any other business

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| Joseph ACHKARActing Chair, Working Party 7A | Catherine SHAMActing Chair, Working Party 7B | Markus DREISActing Chair, Working Party 7C | Anastasios TZIOUMISActing Chair, Working Party 7D |

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