

**Closing Remarks of the Director, BR**

**Radiocommunication Assembly (RA-15)**

**Friday, 30 October 2015, 16:15 hours**

Excellencies,  
Mr Secretary-General,  
Mr Deputy Secretary-General,  
Fellow Directors,  
Ladies and gentlemen,  
Dear colleagues,

It is a pleasure to be addressing you at the end of this memorable Assembly. A great deal has been achieved in five days and the results of your work will have a major impact on the future activities of the Sector, and in particular those of the Study Groups for the next four years. Beyond that, they will have impact on radiocommunications as a whole, and on our lives, by enabling the development of worldwide standards and best practices on the use of spectrum.

One of your principal achievements has undoubtedly been in refining many of the basic Resolutions upon which our working methods rest. Not only has Resolution ITU-R 1 been restructured and brought up-to-date to reflect current practices within the Sector and Bureau, but you have also streamlined the Conference preparatory process in revising Resolution ITU-R 2.

The successful approval at this Assembly of a number of ITU-R Recommendations which raised difficulties within the Study Groups is a clear indication of the strong spirit of cooperation that has been shown at this event. This will undoubtedly help to the success of WRC-15.

I would also like to highlight the importance of the adoption by the Radiocommunication Assembly of Resolution IMT 2020 and Recommendations M 1036 (IMT) and M (BSMS 700).

Also noteworthy are the new Resolutions addressing topics such as small satellites, IOT and accessibility. These Resolutions place the Study Group activities on a sound footing, setting the framework for detailed studies in the coming Study Period.

While I could mention several other notable achievements, I will not take up more time except to mention the remarkable skills of the chairman in bringing this event to such a successful conclusion. Dr Hashimoto's patient and masterly guidance of the proceedings has been outstanding and I can only express my admiration and thanks for his untiring support both before and during this event.

Last but not least, thanks to all of you for your support in helping to bring the 2015 Assembly to a successful conclusion.