
PLENARY MEETING

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Note by the Secretary-General

**CANDIDACY FOR THE POST OF MEMBER OF
THE RADIO REGULATIONS BOARD (RRB)**

Further to the information published in Document 3, I have pleasure in transmitting to the Conference, in annex, the candidacy of:

Mr Akira Hashimoto (Japan)

for the post of member of the Radio Regulations Board.

Houlin ZHAO
Secretary-General

Annex: 1

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Mr. Houlin ZHAO
Secretary-General
International Telecommunication Union

Japan's candidature for the post of Member of the Radio Regulations Board

Dear Secretary-General:

In response to your Circular Letter CL-17/42 of 23 October, 2017, on behalf of the Government of Japan, I have the honor to inform you that the Government of Japan has decided to present the candidature of Dr. Akira Hashimoto, Counsellor for Wireless Technology Standardization, NTT DOCOMO Inc. for the post of Member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) for Region E, at the election to be held during the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-18) that will take place in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 29 October to 16 November 2018.

I strongly support Dr. Hashimoto's candidacy for the post as a Member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) since he has vast knowledge and experience of wireless technology and has long played a leading role in the activities of the ITU-R.

According to the Election Procedures, it is understood that this information, once received, will be immediately circulated to all members of the Union. I have attached a copy of Dr. Hashimoto's curriculum vitae for that purpose.

Yours sincerely,



Seiko NODA
Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications

Curriculum Vitae

Name: Akira Hashimoto
Present Title: Counsellor for Wireless Technology
Standardization, NTT DOCOMO Inc.
Birth: 30 October 1947 in Tokyo, Japan
Nationality: Japanese
Marital Status: Married, one son and one daughter



Education and Academic Achievements:

1970 Bachelor's degree of Electrical Engineering, The University of Tokyo
1999 Ph.D. degree, The University of Tokyo
1999 Achievement Award from the Institute of Electronics, Information &
Communication Engineering, Japan

Professional Experience:

1995-1997 Executive Manager of Wireless Systems Lab, NTT
1997-1998 NTT DOCOMO, Senior Manager of Plant Department
1998-2001 Vice President, Executive Manager of Wireless Link Development Department
2001-2015 Managing Director of Wireless Technology Standardization Department
2016- Counsellor for Wireless Technology Standardization

ITU Experience:

1995 Chairman, Working Party 9B, Study Group 9, ITU-R
2000-2007 Vice-Chairman Study Group 9, ITU-R
2003 Chairman, Working Group 5D, WRC-03
2007 Chairman, Committee 5, WRC-07
2007-2015 Chairman, Study Group 5, ITU-R
2015 Chairman, Radiocommunication Assembly 2015

Publications:

Digital Microwave Communications, Kikaku-center, Japan, 1984;
Handbook on Digital Radio-Relay Systems, ITU-R, 1996;
International Standardization of Radiocommunication, ITU Association Japan, 2014;

Awards:

2015 Minister's Award from Ministry of Internal affairs and Communications (MIC)
for Radiowave Achievement Award
2015 ITU Silver Medal for contributions to the ITU-R activities
2016 Minister's Award from the MIC for Radio Day 2016

Background to Dr Akira Hashimoto's candidacy for a Member of RRB

Since joining NTT in 1970, Dr Akira Hashimoto has engaged in R&D activities and the practical design of radio communication systems for more than 30 years. He has served a number of important positions in NTT group companies, including Vice President and Managing Director of NTT DOCOMO from 1999 to 2003. As a radio engineer, Dr Hashimoto has contributed very actively in the international standardization of wireless systems and has played a leading role in former CCIR and ITU-R activities since 1980.

Dr Hashimoto's wide experiences of ITU-R achievement include the submission of many technical proposals, publication of a Handbook on digital radio-relay systems, review of ITU-R Resolutions, and approval of many ITU-R Recommendations as Chairman of a Study Group.

With these long-term contributions to the ITU-R, Dr Hashimoto was appointed to the Plenary Chairman of the Radiocommunication Assembly in 2015, where Dr Hashimoto excellently fulfilled his responsibility and was awarded a silver medal by the Secretariat General of the ITU.

As mentioned above, Japan believes that Dr Hashimoto's outstanding and significant accomplishments in the ITU-R make him an ideal candidate for a Member of the RRB.

SUMMARY OF DR AKIRA HASHIMOTO'S CARRIER

1. ITU-R ACTIVITIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Chairman of Working Party 9B, ITU-R, including joint activity with other groups

He assumed the position of Chairman of Working Party 9B (in the former Study Group 9) in 1995 to address fixed wireless systems. He was very active in the joint study on wireless access systems with the land mobile group (Working Party 8A) taking into account the convergence arising from modern digital technologies, and established a Joint Rapporteur Group on wireless access in 1997. This group was so productive as to develop more than 10 ITU-R Recommendations in a few years. His activities heralded restructuring of the Study Group structure in the early 21st century.

Chairman of Working Group 5D, WRC-03

At WRC-03, Dr Hashimoto was nominated as Chairman of Working Group 5D, dealing with the agenda items on the 5GHz allocation issues for wireless access systems (WAS) including RLANs and other radio services. Although they were the most difficult subjects at that Conference, his efficient chairmanship successfully led to the new allocations in the 5GHz range to the MS, FS, EESS, SRS and RLS as well as adoption of the relevant provisions and the WRC Resolutions specifying requirements for compatibility of these services.

Chairman of Committee 5, WRC-07

At WRC-07, Dr Hashimoto was appointed to Chairman of Committee 5 to address a number of important agenda items including issues related to HEO, HAPS, science services and satellite networks. His managerial ability and chairmanship again contributed to the work of COM 5 to be completed within the limited days making new important decisions in many parts of the Radio Regulations.

Chairman of Study Group 5, ITU-R

ITU-R Study Group structure was reviewed at the Radiocommunication Assembly 2007 (RA-07) to commensurate with modern radio technologies and spectrum issues, newly creating Study Group 5 for the entire terrestrial services (except for broadcasting). The Assembly elected Dr Hashimoto to the Chairman of this big group with wide responsibilities. Under his leadership, Study Group 5 produced many significant and fruitful outputs which included Recommendations on IMT-Advanced, ITS, various types of radars and HAPS gateway links.

Chairman of RA-15

As the completion of the 8-year term of Study Group 5 Chairman, Dr Hashimoto was unanimously appointed to the Chairman of the Radiocommunication Assembly in 2015 (RA-15), where many ITU-R Resolutions and Recommendations were successfully approved under his excellent chairmanship. For his long-term great contributions to the Radiocommunication Sector, a silver medal was awarded to him by the Secretary General of the ITU at the closure of the RA-15.

2. ACTIVITIES IN JAPAN

Since 1990, Dr Hashimoto has been one of the active members in the domestic Information & Telecommunication Technical Consultative Committees in Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC), Japan, dealing with ITU-R affairs on the terrestrial services, satellite services, science services, the Radio Advisory Group meetings and CPM/WRC preparation. Throughout his career, he is always making wise and constructive suggestions in developing Japan's contributions to various levels of the ITU-R meetings, and thus gaining the great respect of many people in a number of domestic organizations.
