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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 the pleasure in transmitting to the Conference, in annex, the candidacy of:

#### Dr Agostinho LINHARES DE SOUZA FILHO (Federative Republic of Brazil)

for the post of member of the Radio Regulations Board.

Houlin ZHAO Secretary-General

Annex: 1

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Permanent Mission of Brazil to the World Trade Organization and other Economic Organizations in Geneva

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The Permanent Mission of Brazil to the WTO and other Economic Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Secretariat and has the honor to enclose a communication from the President of Brazil's National Telecommunications Agency (ANATEL), Carlos Manuel Baigorri, to the ITU Secretary-General Houlin Zhao.

2. Pursuant to the procedures set forth by Circular Letter CL-21/41, the abovementioned communication conveys Brazil's decision to nominate Dr. Agostinho Linhares de Souza Filho as a candidate for membership in the ITU Radio Regulations Board (RRB), Region A, at the forthcoming elections to be held during ITU's Plenipotentiary Conference, scheduled to take place in Bucharest, from September 26th to October 14th, 2022.

The Permanent Delegation of Brazil to the WTO and other Economic Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, June 30, 2022



To the Permanent Missions of the Member States of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU)

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Ofício nº 184/2022/GPR-ANATEL

Your Excellency HOULIN ZHAO Secretary-General International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

# Subject: Announcement of candidate of the Federative Republic of Brazil for election as a member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB).

Dear Secretary-General,

1. In conformance with item 31 of Chapter III of the "General rules of conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union," Brazil proudly presents the candidature of Mr. **Agostinho Linhares de Souza Filho**, for the election as a member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) to be held at the 2022 Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-22).

2. Brazil will be honored to contribute to the relevant functions of the RRB with one of the two representatives of the Americas region.

Yours sincerely,

Attachment: Curriculum (SEI nº 8693577).



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Candidate of Brazil for the post of Member ITU Radio Regulation Board (RRB) Region A: The Americas

# **Personal Information**



Dr. Agostinho Linhares is married, father of 3 girls, and was born in Belém (PA), Brazil, in 1977. In 2001, he left his hometown to pursue his MSc degree in the University of Campinas. In 2004, he moved to Rio de Janeiro to work at Petrobras, as Telecommunications Engineer. In 2005, he moved to São Paulo to start working at Anatel, in the Enforcement Division, which included spectrum monitoring and station inspection activities. Since 2007 he lives in Brasilia working with spectrum and orbit matters. He received his PhD in Applied Electromagnetics in 2015 from University of Brasília. He is author or co-author of more than 30 scientific papers, co-supervisor of master of science and/or PhD candidates, and has drafted dozens of contributions to ITU-R, ITU-T and Citel, submitted by the Brazilian delegation. He speaks English, Spanish and Portuguese.

#### Profile

At the moment, Dr. Agostinho Linhares is Spectrum and Orbit Advisor at the International Affairs Office of Anatel. He was Manager of Spectrum, Orbit and Broadcasting at Anatel from 2015 to 2022, leading a team of almost 30 spectrum and orbit specialists. He has a democratic leadership profile, seeking simplification and improvement of processes, thinking outside the box, with experience in negotiations. He is known and recognized nationally and internationally for his knowledge in spectrum and orbit issues, and balanced approach, having already given several lectures at telecommunications specialized and academic events.

## Work Experience Highlights

- Coordinated the 700 MHz coexistence tests (IMT-Advanced vs Broadcasting Service) in 2013 and acted in the coordination group of the 3.5 GHz coexistence tests (IMT-2020 vs Fixed Satellite Service), participating actively in the discussions of the "5G Auction Rules in Brazil".
- He was the first to propose in Brazil the migration of TVRO (TV Receive Only) users in the C-band to the Ku band, preferable the BSS band. This was included in 5G Auction Rules in Brazil.
- He conceptualized the development of an open source computational tool for sharing and compatibility studies between IMT and other systems, named as 'SHARC', positioning Brazil to a leading role in the ITU-R discussions and preparation for WRC.
- He led the update and simplification of spectrum, orbit and broadcasting regulation in Brazil, that in the end will result in the suppression or replacement of almost 100 normative instruments.

## International Experience Highlights

- Head of the Brazilian Delegation in the World Radiocommunication Conferences of 2015 and 2019 (WRC-15 and WRC19), and in many ITU-R Study Groups, Working Parties and Citel meetings. He also participated in WRC-12.
- Vice-Chair (VC) of Radiocommunication Assembly 2019.
- VC Permanent Consultative Committee II of Citel since 2018.
- VC ITU-T SG 5 Regional Group for LatAm&Caribbean 2010-2016.
- He participates in ITU-R, ITU-T and Citel since 2008.

# Vision Statement

Brazil is fully committed to ITU's goals of facilitating peaceful relations, international cooperation among peoples, and economic and social development by means of efficient telecommunications service. The telecommunications sector represents approximately 4% of countries' GDP, and radiocommunication plays a key role in this amount, once spectrum and orbit resources are essential to connect people, create jobs, new applications, business and technology advances, consequently, promoting economic growth. Therefore, Brazil is also fully committed to follow ITU's Constitution and Convention in regards of rational, equitable, efficient and economical use of the radiofrequency spectrum by all radiocommunication services, including those using satellite orbits.

Having a large experience with spectrum and orbit issues, including technical and regulation aspects, Dr. Agostinho Linhares will work actively, impartially and in cooperation with all RRB members in order to reach decisions that unconditionally respect Radio Regulations.

Dr. Agostinho Linhares is also committed to dedicate time not only to the RRB meetings, but also during the preparation process of the meetings. He is determined to have a high-skilled participation and to ensure that the Rules of Procedure will be updated in order to reflect the decisions taken during the World Radiocommunication Conference 2023.

It has been almost 30 years since Brazil was elected to the RRB. In this respect, the Government of Brazil would be honored to receive the valuable support of ITU Member States for the candidacy of Dr. Agostinho Linhares, a high-qualified spectrum and orbit expert

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