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| **Agenda item: PL** | **Revision 2 toDocument C23-ADD/3-E** |
| **18 October 2023** |
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| Report by the Secretary-General |
| LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF THE COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS |
| **Purpose**During its ordinary session, the ITU Council approved the proposed Chairs of the Council Working Groups and Experts Groups and the Vice-Chairs, except for those from the CIS region for the CWG-FHR, CWG-Lang, EG-ITRs, and EG-Dec482. The Regional Commonwealth in the field of Communications (RCC) was invited to propose candidates for vice-chair position for the above-mentioned groups to the additional 2023 session of the Council.As of 3 October 2023, the ITU secretariat has received a list of proposed new candidatures:* CIS region: A new candidate was received for the position of Vice-chair of CWG-Internet in replacement of Mr Kamal Mammadov (Azerbaijan); a new candidate was received for the position of Vice-chair of CWG-COP in replacement of Ms Aysel Hadiyeva (Azerbaijan); and new candidates were received for the positions of Vice-chair of CWG-FHR, of CWG-Lang (for the Russian language), of EG-ITRs, and of EG-DEC428.

In addition, * ASP region: A new candidate was received for the position of Vice-chair of EG-ITRs in replacement of Mr Anand Singh (India).
* EUR region: A new candidate was received for the position of Vice-chair of CWG-Lang (for the French language) in replacement of Ms Yana Brugier (France).

**Action required by the Council**The Council is invited **to note** this document and its [annex](#annex) containing the list of chairs and vice-chairs of Council Working Groups and Experts Groups, and **to appoint** the new candidates for the Vice-Chair positions of the Council Working Groups and Expert Groups for the 2023-2026 period/cycle.**Financial implications**N/A.**References***Document* [*PP-22/55*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-PP-C-0055/en) *of the Plenipotentiary Conference;* [*Summary record of the Extraordinary session of Council-23*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-CEXT23-C-0009/en)*; Letters* [*CL-22/38*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-SG-CIR-0038/en)*,* [*CL-23/2*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-SG-CIR-0002/en)*,* [*Council Resolution 1333*](http://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/Resolution-1333_C16.pdf); *Council documents* [*C23/21*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0021/en)*,* [*C23/112*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0112/en)*;* [*Webpage of Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the Council Working Groups and Expert Groups*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Pages/Chairs-Vice-Chairs-2022-2026.aspx)*.* |

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**LIST OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS AND EXPERT GROUPS (as of 3 October 2023)****[[1]](#footnote-2)**

| Current CWG  | Chair | Region | Date of appointment  | Vice-Chair (s) | Region | Date of first appointment  |
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| **Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues** **(CWG-Internet)** | **Mr Wojciech Berezowski** (Poland) | EUR | 2023 | **Dr Ramy Ahmed** (Egypt)**Ms Emilce Maria Portillo Gonzalez** (Paraguay)**Mr Abdulrahman Al Marzouqi** (United Arab Emirates)**Ms Xiao Zhang** (China)**Mr Jeyhun Huseynzade** (Azerbaijan) [replacement]**Mr Nigel Hickson** (United Kingdom) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 202320232017202320232023 |
| **Council Working Group on Child Online Protection (CWG-COP)**  | **Mr Abdelaziz Al Zarooni** (United Arab Emirates) | ARB | 2018 | **Ms Stella Chubiyo Erebor** (Nigeria)**Mr Kemie Jones** (Bahamas)**Ms May Ali Alghatam** (Bahrain)**Ms Jocelle Batapa Sigue** (Philippines)**Ms Mahsati Guliyeva** (Azerbaijan) [replacement]**Mr Domenico Alfieri** (Italy) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 202020232023202320232023 |
| **Council Working Group on WSIS&SDGs (CWG-WSIS&DSGs)**  | **Ms Cynthia Lesufi** (South Africa) | AFR | 2023 | **Ms Janet Umutesi** (Rwanda)**Ms Renata Santoyo** (Brazil)**Mr Ahmed Saleem** (Iraq)**Ms Mina Seonmin Jun** (Korea (Rep. of)) **Ms Khayala Pashazade** (Azerbaijan)**Ms Susanna Mattsson** (Sweden) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 201720202023202320232023 |
| **Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources** **(CWG-FHR)** | **Ms Vernita Harris**(United States) | AMS | 2020 | **Ms Seynabou Seck Cisse** (Senegal)**Mr Ronaldo Moura** (Brazil)**Ms Noha Gaafar** (Egypt)**Mr Daniel Caruso** (Australia)**Ms Daria Kalyuga** (Russian Federation) [new]**Mr Szabolcs Szentleleky** (Hungary) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 201720232023202320232023 |
| **Council Working Group on the use of the six official languages (CWG-Lang)** | **Ms Sharon Bosire** (Kenya) (English) | AFR | 2023 | **Dr. Rim Belhaj**(Tunisia)**Mr Jian Wang**(China)**Ms Daphne Goudry** (France) [replacement]**Ms Maria Bolshakova** (Russian Federation) [new]**Ms Blanca Gonzalez** (Spain) | **Arabic****Chinese****French****Russian****Spanish** | 20232023202320232017 |
| **Expert group on ITRs (EG-ITRs)** | **Ms Shahira Selim** (Egypt) | ARB | 2023 | **Mr Guy-Michel Kouakou** (Côte d’Ivoire)**Ms Ena Dekanic** (United States)**Mr. Omar Ali Alnemer** (United Arab Emirates)**Mr Sunil Singhal** (India) [replacement]**Mr Alexey Borodin** (Russian Federation) [new]**Mr Vilem Vesely** (Czech Republic) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 201920232023202320232023 |
| **Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482)** | **Ms Fenhong Cheng** (China) | ASP | 2023 | **Mr Mostafa Mousa** (Egypt)**Ms Anabel del Carmen Cisneros** (Argentina)**Mr Abdulrhaman AlNajdi** (Saudi Arabia)**Mr Meiditomo Sutyarjoko** (Indonesia)**Mr Nikolay Varlamov** (Russian Federation) [new]**Mr Cristian Ungureanu** (Romania) | **AFR****AMS****ARB****ASP****CIS****EUR** | 201920232023202320232020 |
| **Informal Expert Group on World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF)[[2]](#footnote-3)** | **Mr David Bedard** (Canada) | AMS | 2023 |  |  |  |
| **Council Working Group on the strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP)[[3]](#footnote-4)** | **Mr Mansour AI-Qurashi** (Saudi Arabia) | ARB | 2023 |  |  |  |

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1. Proposed new candidatures for vacant positions are highlighted in **orange**The replacement of an already nominated person by a new candidate from the same country is shown **in green** [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. The arrangements and planning regarding the IEG-WTPF will be defined next year, however the chair has been nominated at the 2023 ordinary session of the Council (see Document C23/112), and will start his functions in 2024. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. The arrangements and planning regarding the CWG-SFP will be defined next year, however the chair has been nominated at the 2023 ordinary session of the Council (see Document C23/112), and will start his functions in 2024. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)