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| COMMENTS ON THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  “ITU STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL PLANS: GLOSSARY OF TERMS” | |
| **Purpose**  This document presents a proposal to update the Glossary of Terms contained in Document CWG-SFP-3/4, with definitions, which will be useful to reflect ITU's priorities and focus on practical activities within its mandate.  **Action required**  The Council Working Group for strategic and financial plans 2028-2031 is invited to **consider** the present contribution and **take necessary actions**, if any.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **References**  [*Document CWG-SFP-3/4*](https://www.itu.int/md/S25-CWGSFP3-C-0004/en) | |

**I Introduction**

The Russian Federation would like to thank the ITU Secretary-General and the secretariat for the preparation of the report "ITU STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL PLANS: GLOSSARY OF TERMS".

ITU Member States needs to receive agreed recommendations, criteria, methodologies and proposals for addressing specific practical issues within the framework of the ITU technical mandate. From our point of view, the terms included in the glossary should reflect the priority practical directions of ITU activities.

The Russian Federation, as one of the founding nations of the Union, is deeply worried about the current situation where the ITU's technical authority is becoming increasingly "unclear". The Union is starting to take on general responsibilities that are not central to its role, rather than concentrating on practical objectives aimed at developing specific recommendations, methodologies, standards and regulatory proposals in the ICT sector.

According to the UN definition stated in Results-Based Management Handbook, strategic planning is the fundamental organizational activity, that is used to set priorities, focus energy and resources, ensure that management staff various offices within the organization and other stakeholders work toward common goals, establish agreement around intended results; and assess and adjust the organization`s direction in response to a changing environment.

We would like to emphasize that setting priorities and focusing resources is the foundation and starting point of strategic planning. As a result, these efforts lead to the adoption of fundamental decisions and actions that shape and guide what an organization is, who it serves, what it does, and why it does it, with a focus on the future. Effective strategic planning articulates not only where an organization is going and the actions needed to make progress, but also how it will know if it is successful. Therefore, we propose to supplement the glossary with a number of terms that are applicable and useful for use as a definition of the goals and results of ITU's practical activities.

**II Proposals**

2.1 To keep the term "Product and service offerings" in the glossary as a reflection of ITU's practical activities and proposals.

“Product and service offerings - The range of ITU's products and services that are deployed to support the Union's work under its thematic priorities.”

2.2 To supplement the list of terms with an additional concept - "Goal" - from the United Nations Results-Based Management Handbook.

“Goal - specific result desired or expected to occur as a consequence, at least in part, of an intervention or activity. It is the higher order objective to which a development intervention is intended to contribute”.

2.3 To supplement the list of terms with an additional concept - "Feasibility".

“Feasibility - the quality of having a clear and defined goal, or the state of being determined and resolute in pursuing a goal. It implies intentionality and a focused approach to actions and behavior, rather than being random or aimless.”

2.4 To instruct the secretariat to prepare an updated version of Glossary of Terms, taking into account the proposed amendments and the discussion in the Council Working Group for strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP).

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