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| CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE FINAL REPORT OF THE EG-ITRs |
| **Purpose**This contribution sets out proposals for the content and structure of the final report of the Expert Group on the ITRs. **Action required**The Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations is invited to considerthis document.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**References***Final report of the Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITRS) to ITU Council 2022 (Document* [*C22/26*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-CL-C-0026/en)*); Council Resolution 1379 (Mod. 2023) (Document* [*C23/121*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0121/en)*); Final Report Expert Group (2016-2018) (Document* [*C18/26*](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-CL-C-0026/en)*); Final Report Expert Group (2019-2022) (Document* [*PP-22/35*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-PP-C-0035/en)*); Report of the first meeting of the Expert Group (Document* [*EG-ITRs-2/20*](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-EGITRS2-C-0020/en)*); Report of the second meeting of the Expert Group (Document* [*EG-ITRs-2/21*](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-EGITRS2-C-0021/en)*); Report of the third meeting of the Expert Group (Document* [*EG-ITRs-3/12*](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-EGITRS3-C-0012/en)*)* |

Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom thank the Chair of the Expert Group, participants and the TSB for their work on the review of the ITRs. This contribution sets out proposals for the content and structure of the final report that will be submitted to the Council 2026 in line with Annex 1 of Council Resolution 1379 (Modified 2023).

We believe that it is important that the final report is factual, concise and reflects the opinions expressed throughout this process. The final report should follow the approach of reports of the previous two Expert Groups and ensure that all views are properly and concisely recorded in a balanced way. The progress reports are a good foundation for the final report to build on, particularly their use of links and use of the reports of previous meetings which incorporate the written and verbal contributions of Member States, Sector Members as well as inputs from the TSB.

We propose the report should contain the following sections:

Introduction

This should briefly set out the work of the Expert Group, reference the key documents that led to its establishment and detail its Terms of Reference.

Activities of the EG-ITRs

This should be taken from the progress reports submitted to the Council in 2024 and 2025 which briefly set out the key points of discussion during the Expert Group meetings and provide links to the meeting reports.

Summary of views

This section should contain a brief summary of the views submitted in writing and verbally on the below topics. This section should reflect the diversity of views submitted to the Expert Group, particularly on:

– the new trends in telecommunications/ICTs and emerging issues in international telecommunications/ICTs environment which may impact the ITRs;

– empirical data on the current use of the ITRs by operating agencies and/or administrations and the proportion of global telecommunication services which now rely on the ITRs, and

– the relevance of the ITRs which “consist of high-level guiding principles” in the current telecommunications/ICTs environment.

Potential Way forward

This section should summarise views on the way forward once the review has been completed.

Conclusion

This section should summarise what has been discussed in the report.

Given that the previous Expert Group already considered overall Observations on the ITRs in the 2022 report, we see no reason to duplicate that work in this report.

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