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### **Note by the Secretary-General**

#### **CANDIDACY FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION STANDARDIZATION BUREAU (TSB)**

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

**Mr Seizo ONOE (Japan)**

for the post of Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union.

Doreen BOGDAN-MARTIN  
Secretary-General

Annex: 1

**MISSION PERMANENTE DU JAPON**

AUPRÈS DES ORGANISATIONS INTERNATIONALES

GENÈVE - SUISSE

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The Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and, under the instruction of its home Government, has the honour to forward herewith letters to Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin, Secretary-General of the ITU, from Mr. HAYASHI Yoshimasa, Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications, Japan, on the candidature of Mr. ONOE Seizo, incumbent Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (TSB) of the ITU, for the post of the TSB Director of the ITU for the term 2027 - 2030, and on the candidature for a seat on the ITU Council as a representative Member State for Region E, at the election to be held during the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 that will take place in Doha, Qatar, from 9 to 27 November 2026.

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Telecommunication Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 11 December 2025



MIC/GSB No. 25  
1 December 2025

Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin  
Secretary-General  
International Telecommunication Union

**Japan's Candidature for the Post of Director of the ITU Telecommunication  
Standardization Bureau**

Dear Secretary-General:

In response to Circular Letter CL-25/48 of 10 November 2025, I have the honor, on behalf of the Government of Japan, to inform you that the Government of Japan has decided to present the candidature of Mr. ONOE Seizo for the post of Director of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Bureau at the election to be held during the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-26), which will take place in Doha, Qatar, from the 9th to the 27th of November 2026.

I am pleased to express our strong support for Mr. ONOE's candidacy for the post of Director of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Bureau since he brings extensive knowledge and experience in communications technology, and he has long played a leading role in international standardization activities and organization management.

In accordance with the Election Procedures, we understand that this information will be promptly circulated to all Member States of the Union upon receipt. Please find attached a copy of Mr. ONOE's curriculum vitae for that purpose.

Yours sincerely,



HAYASHI Yoshimasa  
Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications, Japan



# ONOE, Seizo

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Candidate for the Director of the ITU  
Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

**S**ince being appointed Director of TSB in January 2023, I have leveraged my 40 years of industry experience to promote the global outreach of standards, increase industry engagement, bridge the standardization gap with developing countries, and strengthen collaboration within and outside the Union.

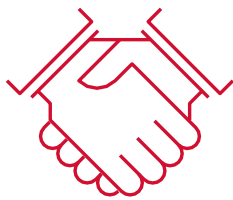
As I run for a second term, I pledge to further enhance cooperation with Members and stakeholders, striving to bring the benefits of technology to every corner of the world.

*Seizo Onoe*



## Outreach Worldwide

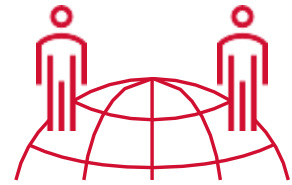
Realize our digital future and the true value and meaning of standardization through widely adopted standards



**Strengthening  
Cooperation**

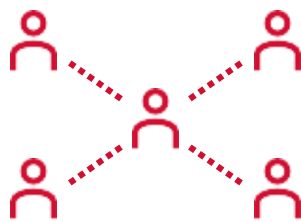


**Industry  
Engagement**



**Bridging  
the Standardization Gap**

- ▶ Enhance collaboration with external organizations and industries to standardize technologies and promote 'meaningful standards.'
- ▶ Continue to bridge the standardization gap and support capacity building and standard dissemination.



**Open and  
Inclusive**



**Efficient,  
Effective and  
Transparent**

- ▶ Establish an open and inclusive standardization process, ensure transparent and efficient resource allocation, and enhance organizational performance through effective management.

# Key Achievements

1

## Success of WTSA-24 and Promotion of AI for Good Initiative

**Success of WTSA-24:** A record number of participating countries and attendees, GSS with public-private high-levels, 20+ value-enhancing side events, numerous outputs in a limited time (Study Group consolidation, new Resolutions, etc.), and efficient management

**AI for Good Initiative:** 10,000+ multi-stakeholder participants, AI Governance Day, launch of International AI Standards Summit, and launch of AI Skills Coalition

2

## Strengthening Cooperation with External Organizations and Enhancing Industry Engagement

**Cooperation with External Organization:** Tri-party (ITU/ISO/IEC) collaboration at World Standards Cooperation, outputs at G20/COP, and launch of Open Wallet Forum

**Enhancing Industry Engagement:** 30+ C-level participants in CxO meetings, launch of Industry Engagement Workshop, and CTO webinar series

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## Bridging the Standardization Gap and Standardizing Innovative Technologies

**Bridging the Standardization Gap:** Launch of the new BSG program, capacity-building events, and focusing on the implementation of standards

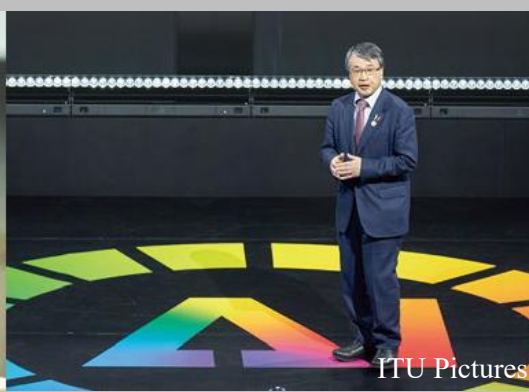
**Leading the Development of International Standards for Innovative Technologies:** Quantum Technology, Cybersecurity, Future Networks, etc.

4

## TSB Organizational Restructuring and Stable Meeting Operations

**TSB Organizational Restructuring:** Transformation into a more effective and efficient organizational structure and establishment of the Strategic Engagement Department

**Effectively Managed Over 100 Meetings a Year**





ONOE, Seizo

### Present Title

Director of  
the Telecommunication  
Standardization Bureau (TSB)  
at the International  
Telecommunication Union (ITU)

### Born

12 May 1957

### Nationality

Japanese

### Family

Married, 2 Children

## Professional Experience

- 1982 ■ Joined NTT Public Corporation
- 1992 ■ Transferred to NTT DOCOMO, INC. at its foundation
- 2002 ■ Managing Director of the Radio Network Development Department
- 2008 ■ Senior Vice President and Managing Director of R&D Strategy Department
- 2012 ■ Chief Technology Officer, Executive Vice President, a Member of the Board of Directors and Managing Director of the R&D Center (later R&D Innovation Division)
- 2017 ■ President of DOCOMO Technology, Inc. and Chief Technology Architect of NTT DOCOMO, INC.
- 2021 ■ Chief Standardization Strategy Officer of NTT Corporation and Fellow of NTT DOCOMO, INC.
- 2023 ■ TSB Director at ITU

## Education and Academia Achievements

- 1980 ■ Bachelor of Electronics Engineering, Kyoto University
- 1982 ■ Master of Electronics Engineering, Kyoto University.

## Awards

- 2007 ■ Accomplishment Award by the ITU Association of Japan
- 2008 ■ The Commendation for Science and Technology by the Minister of Education, and
- 2014 Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- 2018 ■ Medal with Purple Ribbon
- 2025 ■ IEEE Jagadish Chandra Bose Medal in Wireless Communications

For further information:

[https://www.soumu.go.jp/onoe\\_seizo/](https://www.soumu.go.jp/onoe_seizo/)







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