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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 (Brazil (Federative Republic of))

for the post of member of the Radio Regulations Board.

Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Secretary-General

Annex: 1



***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 World Trade Organization and other Economic Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and has the honor to inform the candidacy of Mr. Agostinho Linhares de Souza Filho for reelection for the position of Member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector, as the representative of Brazil, for the term 2027-2030, Region A (Americas), at the elections to be held during the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-26) in Doha, Qatar, from 9 to 27 November 2026.

2. Dr. Agostinho Linhares is a spectrum and orbit expert, with lifelong background on technical and regulatory areas. He is recognized nationally and internationally for his knowledge in spectrum and orbit issues, is a Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and regularly participates in specialized telecommunications and academic events.

3. Under his leadership as chair of the RRB (2025), Mr. Linhares, among others, instructed the Bureau to create a dedicated webpage on harmful interference to Radio Navigation Satellite Service (RNSS), an issue of growing concern for the radiocommunication sector and for society at large. Mr Linhares is committed to further working actively in cooperation with all RRB members under the aegis of the Radio Regulations provisions and World Radiocommunication Conference's decisions. Mr. Linhares' Curriculum Vitae and vision statement are enclosed.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil to the World Trade Organization and other Economic Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Telecommunication Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, May 26th, 2026

To the
International Telecommunication Union
Geneva





Agostinho Linhares, PhD

Candidate of Brazil for the second
term as Member of the Radio Regulations
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 has lived in Brasília 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 40 scientific papers, co-supervisor of master of science and/or PhD candidates, and has drafted dozens of contributions to ITU-R, ITU-T and CITELE, submitted by the Brazilian Delegation. He speaks English, Spanish and Portuguese.

PROFILE

Dr. Agostinho Linhares is a spectrum and orbit expert, with a strong technical and regulatory background. Currently, he is on a leave from Anatel (Telecommunications Regulatory Agency in Brazil) and is Executive-Director of the Research Institute for Digital Economy (IPE Digital). He was a Board Member of the High-Council of the Brazilian Space Agency (AEB) in 2022-2023 and 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. He is also an IEEE Senior Member.

WORK EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- He led studies that were the basis for the approval of Brazilian Federal Laws to encourage the expansion of the number of satellite broadband users and IoT devices in 2025.
- Developed many studies related to the future use of the 6-GHz band in Brazil.
- He was Advisor of the Secretary of Telecommunication at the Ministry of Communications - MCOM (Brazil) in 2022, and General-Coordinator for Telecommunications Public Policy at MCOM in 2023.
- He 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.
- Chair of the Working Group on the Rules of Procedure at the RRB in 2026.
- Chair of the RRB in 2025.
- Vice-chair of the RRB in 2024.
- Head of the Brazilian Delegation in the World Radiocommunication Conferences of 2015 and 2019 (WRC-15 and WRC-19), and in many ITU-R Study Groups, Working Parties and CITELE meetings. He also participated in WRC-12.
- Vice-Chair (VC) of Radiocommunication Assembly 2019.
- VC Permanent Consultative Committee II of CITELE from 2018-2022.
- VC ITU-T SG5 Regional Group for LatAm&Caribbean 2010-2016.
- He participates in ITU-R, ITU-T and CITELE since 2008.

VISION STATEMENT

Under my leadership as Chair, RRB approved for the first-time a website publication upon request from Administrations under *resolves* 2 of Resolution 119 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), and instructed the Bureau to create a dedicated webpage on harmful interference to radionavigation-satellite service (RNSS), an issue of growing concerns for the radiocommunications sector and for the society.

Having a large experience with spectrum and orbit issues, including technical and regulation aspects, I will continue to work actively, impartially and in cooperation with all RRB members in order to reach decisions that unconditionally respect Radio Regulations provisions and WRC's decisions. I am 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 2027.
