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| **Subject**: | **Virtual meeting of ITU-T Study Group 13, 1-12 March 2021** | | | |

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the next meeting of the Study Group 13 (*Future networks, with focus on IMT-2020, cloud computing and trusted network infrastructures*) which is planned to be run fully virtual from 1 to 12 March 2021, inclusive.

The opening plenary will be convened on Monday morning, 1 March 2021, starting from 1000 hours, Geneva time, using [MyMeetings remote participation tool](https://remote.itu.int/). Documentation, remote participation details and other related information can be found on the home page of [the study group](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/13/Pages/default.aspx). **Registration is mandatory** for the virtual SG13 meeting.

Note that no fellowships will be awarded. The entire meeting will run in English only with no interpretation.

*A virtual Bridging the Standardization Gap (BSG) Hands-on Training Session for delegates from developing countries is planned to take place on 12 February 2021, 10:00-12:00, Geneva time.* (Please indicate your interest to [tsbbsg@itu.int](mailto:tsbbsg@itu.int).)

The tenth meeting of the JCA-IMT2020 will take place alongside this study group meeting on 4 March 2021, all information will be available at [JCA-IMT2020 homepage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/jca/imt2020/Pages/default.aspx). It will be the virtual meeting.

It should be noted that registration for each of these events is separate from that of Study Group 13.

**Key deadlines**:

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| 1 January 2021 | - [Submit ITU-T Member contributions](http://itu.int/net/ITU-T/ddp/) for which translation is requested |
| 1 February 2021 | - Registration (via the online registration form on the [study group homepage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/13/Pages/default.aspx)) |
| 16 February 2021 | - [Submit ITU-T Member contributions (via Direct Document Posting)](http://www.itu.int/net/ITU-T/ddp/) |

Practical meeting information is set out in **Annex A**. A draft meeting **agenda**, prepared by the ITU-T SG13 Chairman, Mr Leo Lehmann (Switzerland), and a draft **time plan**, prepared by the SG13 management team, are set out in **Annex B**.

I wish you a productive and enjoyable meeting.

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| Yours faithfully,    Chaesub Lee Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau | This QR code redirects to the latest meeeting information at: http://handle.itu.int/11.1002/groups/sg13ITU-T SG13 |
| Latest meeting information |

**Annexes**: 2

ANNEX A  
Practical meeting information

**WORKING METHODS AND FACILITIES**

**DOCUMENT SUBMISSION AND ACCESS**:Member contributions should be submitted using [Direct Document Posting](http://itu.int/net/ITU-T/ddp/); draft TDs should be submitted by e-mail to the study group secretariat using the [appropriate template](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/Pages/templates.aspx). Access to meeting documents is provided from the study group homepage, and is restricted to ITU-T Members who have an [ITU user account](http://www.itu.int/TIES/) with TIES access.

**Working language**: The entire meeting will run in English only.

**INTERACTIVE REMOTE PARTICIPATION**: The [MyMeetings](https://remote.itu.int/) tool will be used to provide remote participation for all sessions, including decisions-making sessions such as working party and study group plenaries. Delegates must register for the meeting and identify themselves and their affiliation when taking the floor. Remote participation is provided on a best-effort basis. Participants should be aware that the meeting will not be delayed or interrupted because of a remote participant’s inability to connect, listen or be heard. If the voice quality of a remote participant is considered insufficient, the Chairman may interrupt the remote participant and may refrain from giving the participant the floor until there is indication that the problem is resolved.

**REGISTRATION**

**REGISTRATION**: Registration is mandatory and is to be done online via the [study group homepage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/13/Pages/default.aspx) **at least one month before the start of the meeting**. Without registration, delegates will not be able to access the remote participation tool.

As outlined in [TSB Circular 68](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSB-CIR-0068), the ITU-T registration system requires focal-point approval for registration requests; [TSB Circular 118](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSB-CIR-0118) describes how to set up automatic approval of these requests.

The membership is invited to include women in their delegations whenever possible.

ANNEX B  
Draft agenda for the plenary meetings of Study Group 13

(Virtual meeting, 1-12 March 2021)

NOTE ‒ Updates to the agenda can be found in [TD373/PLEN](https://www.itu.int/md/meetingdoc.asp?lang=en&parent=T17-SG13-210301-TD-PLEN-0CCC).

1 Opening of the meeting

2 Welcome remarks by the Director of TSB

3 Approval of the agenda

4 Rapporteur appointments, other nominations, if required

5 Approval of the work plan for the meeting and document allocation

6 Brief reports on activities since the 18 December 2020 Study Group 13 meeting

6.1 TSAG (11 – 18 January 2021, virtual meeting)

6.2 FG AN (end of January 2021, virtual meeting)

6.3 Rapporteur activities of Questions 1, 5 and 20/13

6.4 Bridging Standardization Gap

6.5 Information on Recommendation approvals

6.6 Others as identified

7 Organization of the work

7.1 Objectives and guidelines for the meetings of working parties

7.2 Conduct and facilities available for the meeting

8 Documents addressed to the plenary

9 Initiation of approval procedures for draft Recommendations

10 Approval of texts (Appendices, Supplements, technical reports, ...), if any

11 Approval of Working Party reports including interim activities

12 Updating of the Study Group 13 work programme and agreement on the new work

13 Liaison and interaction with other groups

14 Planning for the participation of Study Group 13 at workshops and seminars

15 Future activities

16 Miscellaneous

17 Closing of the meeting

NOTE - Updates to the timeplan can be found in TD374/PLEN.

**Study Group 13 virtual meeting draft time plan   
1-12 March 2021 (first week)**

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|  | **Monday 1 March** | | | | | | | **Tuesday 2 March** | | | | | | | **Wednesday 3 March** | | | | | | | **Thursday 4 March** | | | | | | | **Friday 5 March** | | | | | | | |
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| **Q5/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  | |
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| **Q18/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
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| **Q20/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  | |
| **Q21/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  | |
| **Q22/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  |  | R | R |  |  |  |  | |
| **Q23/13** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | R | R | R |  |  |  |  | |
| **Other activities** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
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**Study Group 13 virtual meeting draft time plan   
1-12 March 2021 (second week)**

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|  | **Monday 8 March** | | | | | | | **Tuesday 9 March** | | | | | | | **Wednesday 10 March** | | | | | | | **Thursday 11 March** | | | | | | | **Friday 12 March** | | | | | | |
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