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| **Abstract:** | This TD contains information on the decisions taken by ITU-T Study Groups in 2020 of the ITU-T A.5 qualifications for JEDEC; 3GPP; TSDSI; and PRIME Alliance. |

ITU-T Study Groups made decisions of the ITU-T A.5 qualifications for the following organizations in 2020. Consequently, these organizations are listed on ITU-T [webpage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/extcoop/Pages/sdo.aspx) as being qualified under ITU-T A.5.

* JEDEC Solid State Technology Association ([JEDEC](https://www.jedec.org/))

At the request made by SG5 in the May 2019 meeting, the qualification analysis for JEDEC was conducted (see [TD1318](https://www.itu.int/md/meetingdoc.asp?lang=en&parent=T17-SG05-200511-TD-GEN-1318)). SG5 approved the ITU-T A.5 qualification for JEDEC at its May 2020 meeting as reported in [SG5-R8](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-SG05-R-0008/en).

* [3GPP](https://www.3gpp.org/) ; Telecommunications Standards Development Society India ([TSDSI](https://tsdsi.in/))

The qualification analysis of TSDSI with a goal to allow the ITU-T A.5 qualification for 3GPP was requested by SG15 in the January/February 2020 meeting (see [TD527/P](https://www.itu.int/md/meetingdoc.asp?lang=en&parent=T17-SG15-200127-TD-PLEN-0527)). This is based on the section 7.3 of the ITU-T A.5 (09/2019) which states that “For the case of a proposed referenced document jointly owned by multiple organizations in a partnership project that is not a legal entity, the partnership project is considered to be qualified according to the criteria in Annex B if each organization is itself qualified according to the criteria in Annex B”. The only 3GPP partner not previously A.5 qualified was TSDSI.

Based on the information available at the time of the SG15 plenary on 18 September 2020 (see [TD635/P](https://www.itu.int/md/meetingdoc.asp?lang=en&parent=T17-SG15-200907-TD-PLEN-0635)), SG15 approved the A.5 qualification for TSDSI, and by extension, SG15 also approved the A.5 qualification for 3GPP, as reported in [SG15-R24](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-SG15-R-0024/en). Although the information available in TD635/P was considered as being sufficient for the A.5 qualifications, it was considered desirable to investigate further based on additional input to be provided by TSDSI, which TSB has requested early this year, before referring to TSDSI materials outside of the context of 3GPP specifications (e.g., oneM2M referencing, as described in [TSAG-TD953](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-TSAG-210111-TD-GEN-0953/en)).

* [PRIME Alliance](https://www.prime-alliance.org/)

At the request of the Q18/15 Rapporteur and SG15 management team, the analysis of PRIME Alliance was conducted (see [TD636/P](https://www.itu.int/md/meetingdoc.asp?lang=en&parent=T17-SG15-200907-TD-PLEN-0636)). On the basis of this analysis, SG15 approved the A.5 qualification for PRIME Alliance, with the limitation of the fact that the A.5 qualification should **not** cover such PRIME Alliance standards for which article 4.1.b PRIME Alliance IPR Policy was applicable and that the subsequent BoD’s decision was to go ahead with the adoption of the Proposed Specification containing Necessary IPRs from a non-member which is unwilling to grant FRAND licenses. This decision is reported also in [SG15-R24](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-SG15-R-0024/en).

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