

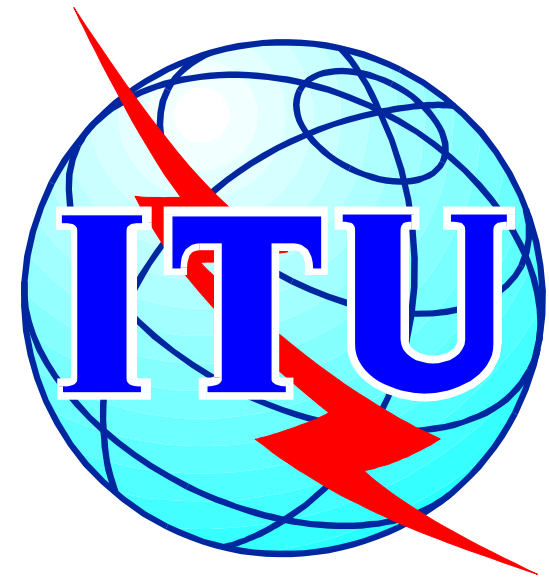
# ITU Forum

## “Bridging the ICT standardization & development gap”

### ITU-T Overview: PP-06, Council-07 and WTSA-08 preparations

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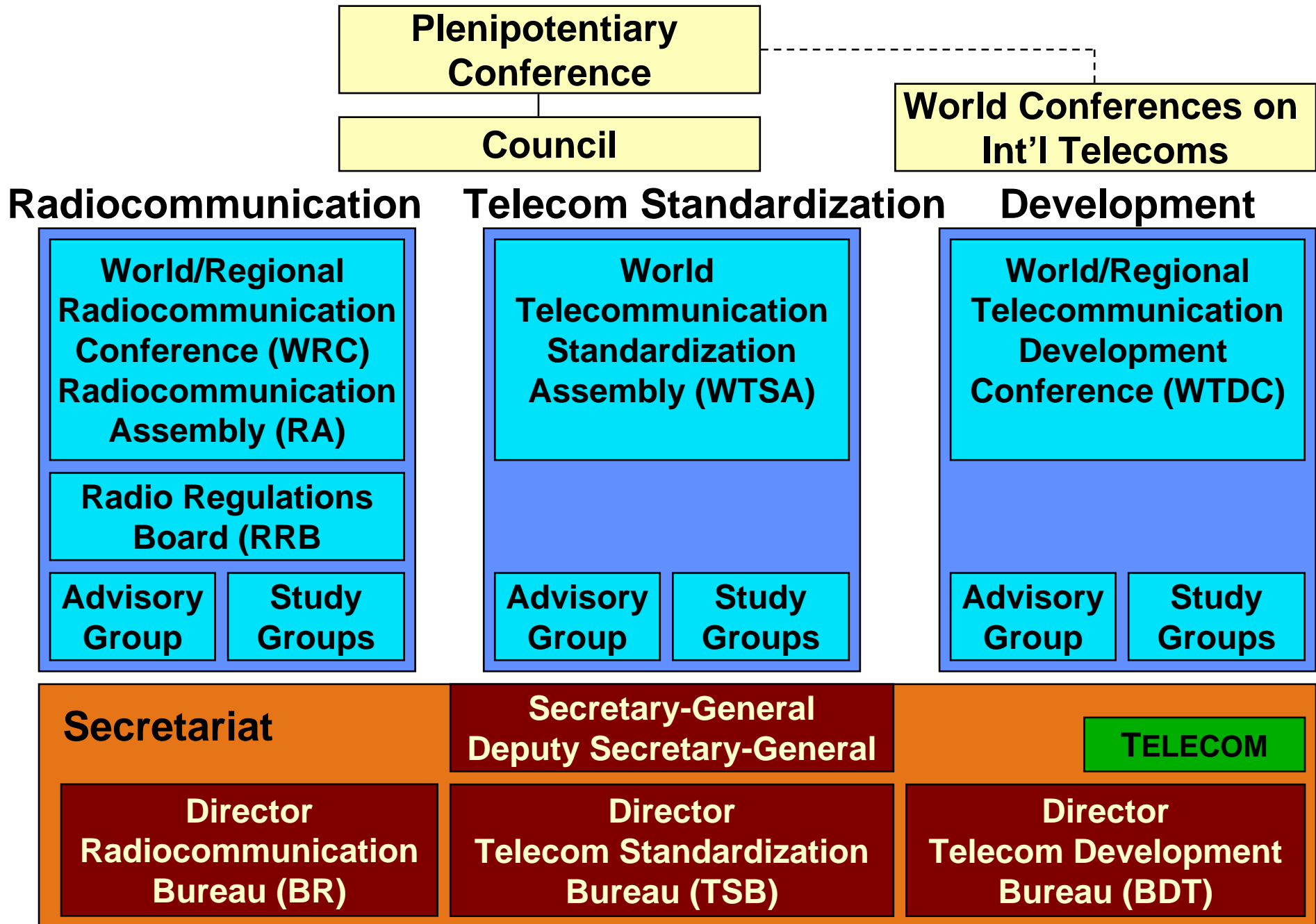


## ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2006

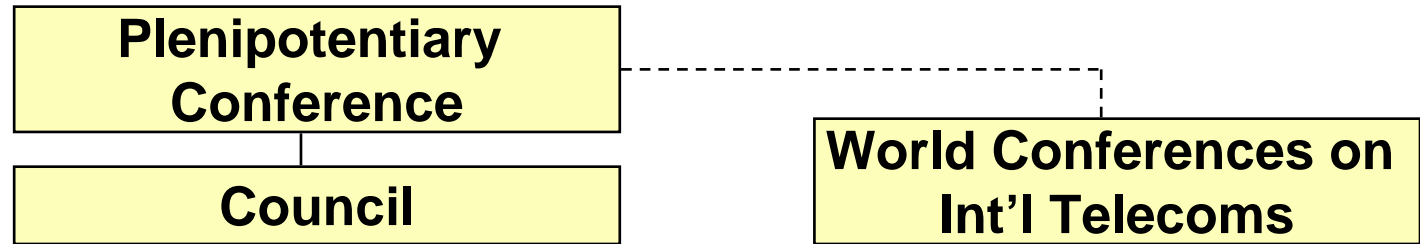
- **Held in Antalya, Turkey, 6-24 November 2006**
- **Main structure**
  - **Committee 5: Policy & Legal (Chair: Mr. K. Arasteh, Iran)**
  - **Committee 6: Admin & Management (Chair: Mr. F. Riehl, Switzerland)**
  - **Working Group of Plenary (Chair: R.N. Agarwal, India)**
- **Main objectives**
  - **Elections, Strategic & Financial Plans 2008-2011**
- **Outputs**
  - **17 Resolutions and Decisions approved**



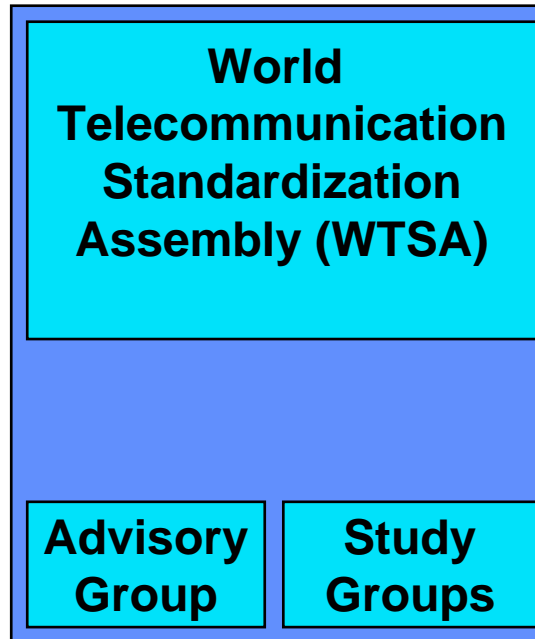
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## Telecom Standardization





## Elections

- **Elected officials**

- **Hamadoun Touré (Mali) – Sec-Gen**

- **Houlin Zhao (China) – Deputy Secretary-General**

- **Valery Timofeev (Russian Fed.) – ITU-R Director**

- **Malcolm Johnson (UK) – ITU-T Director**

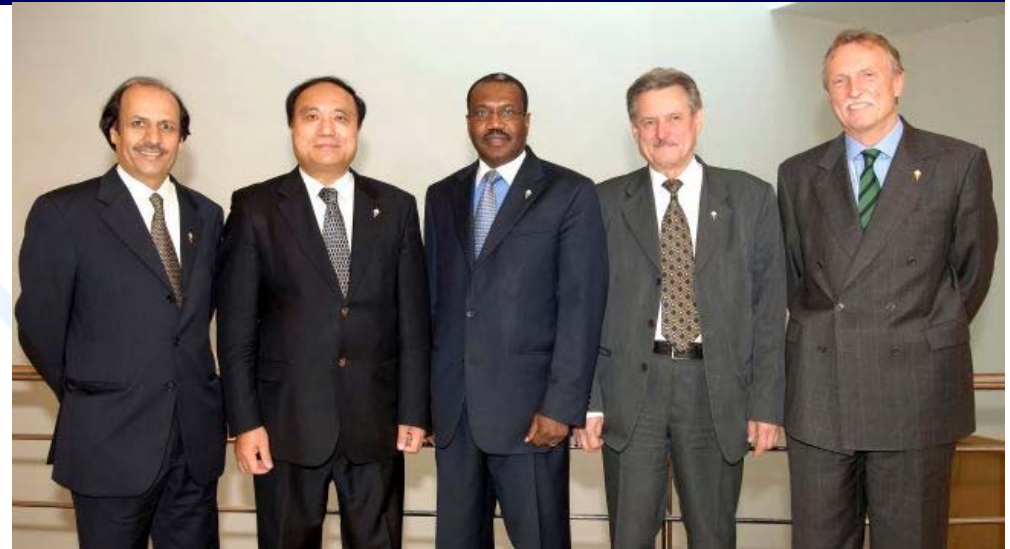
- **Sami Al-Basheer (Saudi Arabia) – ITU-D Director**

- **Radio Regulations Board**

- **12 part-time members elected, by region**

- **ITU Council**

- **46 Member States elected, by region**



Source: ITU / J.M. Ferré



## PP06 Outcomes: WSIS implementation

- **Resolution 140: WSIS implementation**
  - **Detailed description of ITU role in WSIS implementation (guided by WG-WSIS)**
- **Resolution 141: Civil Society**
  - **Establishes Group (WG-Study) to undertake study of participation of participation of relevant stakeholders in ITU's WSIS activities**
- **Terminology (Res 142 and 149)**
  - **Two Working Groups established to look at terminology in Constitution/Convention and for Security**



## PP06 Outcomes: Internet Issues

- **Resolution 101: IP-based networks**
  - **General instructions for ITU work on Internet**
- **Resolution 102: Public policy concerns**
  - **Calls for consultation on ITU's role**
- **Resolution 130: Confidence and security in use of ICTs**
  - **Gives high priority to cybersecurity in ITU**
  - **Role of ITU as coordinator for WSIS action line C5**
  - **Continuing Cybersecurity Gateway**
- **Resolution 133: Multilingual Domain Names**
  - **Continuing standardization work**



## PP06 Outcomes: Standardization issues

- **Resolution 122: World Telecom Standardization Assembly (WTSA)**
  - **Establishes principle of roundtable (Global Standards Symposium) to be held ahead of WTSA**
- **Resolution 123: Bridging the Standardization Gap**
  - **Calls for close collaboration between ITU-T and ITU-D**
  - **Establishes a Fund (TSB Circular No. 166)**
- **Resolution 137: NGN deployment in developing countries**
  - **Coordinated work on NGN between ITU-T and D**



## PP06 Outcomes: WTPF & ITRs

- **World Telecom Policy Forum (WTPF)**
  - **To be held March 25-27 2009, on the topic of Convergence (Decision 9)**
  - **Secretary-General's Report (first draft to be posted online by 30 September)**
  - **Informal Expert Group (nominations by 15 Dec 07)**
- **International Telecom Regulations (ITRs)**
  - **Resolution 146: proposes to hold a World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT) in 2012**
  - **Informal Expert Group, due to meet in October 2007**



## PP06 Outcomes: ITU Strategic Plan

- **ITU Strategic Plan, 2008-2011 (Res 71)**
  - **Goal 1: International cooperation**
  - **Goal 2: Bridging digital divides & WSIS implementation**
  - **Goal 3: Widening the Union's membership**
  - **Goal 4: Developing standards for efficiency, security, integrity and interoperability**
  - **Goal 5: Improving ITU's efficiency and effectiveness**
  - **Goal 6: Disseminating information and know-how**
  - **Goal 7: Enabling environment**



## PP06 Outcomes: ITU-T Strategic Plan

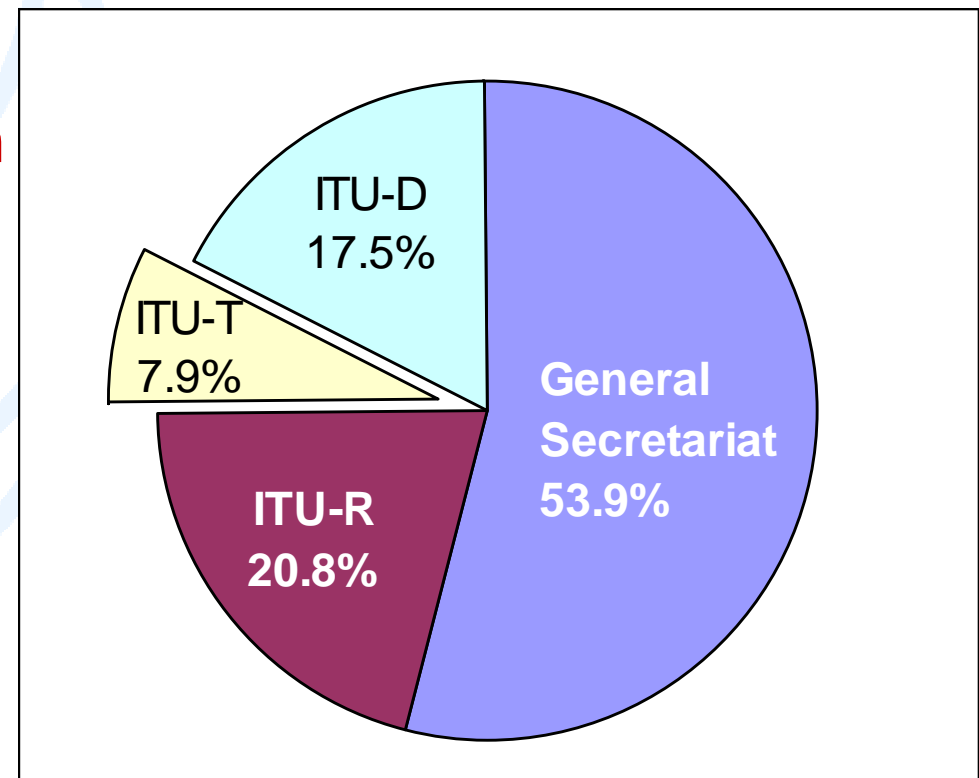
### ● Objectives

1. Publishing timely global standards
2. Identifying relevant areas for future standardization and collaborating with other SDOs
3. Providing the most efficient, attractive and effective forum for standards development
4. Promoting the value of ITU-T to attract increased membership
5. Disseminating information and know-how
6. Cooperation and collaboration
7. Assisting the membership, especially developing countries, including providing training



## Council 07 Outcomes: Budget

- Council held 4-14 September 2007
- Budget 2008-09 based on a contributory unit of CHF318'000
  - Total = CHF 322.6m
  - Of which ITU-T = CHF25.4m
  - Overall reduction of 5% compared with 2006-07
  - Increase in contribution from India and Mali



Source: C07/71



## Council 07 Outcomes: Free Recs

- In 2001 Council approved three free Recs per year
- In 2006 Council approved a trial programme of free ITU-T Recommendations online, without restriction
- In 2007, Council made free Recs online permanent

ITU-T Recommendations	2006	2007	Change
Downloaded, Free of charge, Jan-April	13,601	968,790	+7,100%
Sold, on paper and via e-bookshop, Jan-April	2,532	436	-83%
Developing countries only	Sold: 500	Download: 293'500	+58'600%



## Council 07 outcomes: Other issues

- **High-level Segment on 4 September**
- **Dates and venue of PP-10**
  - **2010 Plenipotentiary to be held in Veracruz, Mexico, 4-22 October 2010**
- **WSIS Implementation**
  - **New Council Resolution calls upon ITU to develop a roadmap for WSIS implementation to 2015**
  - **Connect the World initiative (Res 1281)**
- **Other Council Working Groups**
  - **New groups created on management and budget group (MBG) and terminology in CS/CV**
  - **Study of civil society participation to continue with consultation phase**



## WTSA-08 Preparations: Outline

- **Date and venue**
  - To be held 21-30 October 2008, in Durban or Geneva (Res. 1281)
- **Global Standards Symposium**
  - Will precede WTSA, held on Monday 20 October 08
  - Worldwide standardization and coordination roundtable (PP06 Res 122), open to relevant stakeholders (e.g., other SDOs, Forums etc)
- **TSAG meetings**
  - 3-7 December 2007
  - Early July 2008



## WTSA-08 Preparations: Purpose

- **In accordance with CV Art 13 and PP06 Res 122, WTSA shall:**
  - a) adopt working methods and procedures**
  - b) adopt the Questions to be studied**
  - c) consider the reports of study groups and TSAG**
  - d) approve the Sector's work programme**
  - e) decide on the study group structure,**
  - f) consider the Director's report on the Sector's activities,**
  - g) appoint chairs and vice-chairs of study groups,**
  - h) take into consideration the conclusion of the GSS**



## WTSA-08 Preparations: Hot topics (1)

- **Study Group structure**
  - **How to accommodate emerging technologies?**
- **Election of Study Group chairs/vice-chairs**
  - **11 out of 14 chairs have served two terms**
- **Internet Governance and Cybersecurity**
  - **Some countries would like to see ITU play a more active role in Internet public policy issues**
  - **ITU is the coordinator for WSIS Action Line C5 on building confidence and security in use of ICTs**
- **WTPF-09 and Convergence**
  - **WTPF-09 agenda includes Internet public policy issues and NGN**
  - **Main theme is impact of digital convergence**



## WTSA-08 Preparations: Hot topics (2)

- **Future of current Focus Groups**
  - **Existing Focus Groups (e.g., on IPTV (until Dec 07), Identity Management, OCAF etc)**
- **International Telecom Regulations**
  - **Should WTSA-08 launch a PrepCom process?**
- **Identification of new areas for standardization**
  - **ITU-T Technology Watch function**
- **Bridging the Standardization Gap**
  - **Concrete actions to promote developing country participation in the standardization process**
- **Participation rights**
  - **How to welcome relevant stakeholders (e.g. universities)**



## For more information:

- **ITU 2006 Plenipotentiary**  
at: [www.itu.int/plenipotentiary](http://www.itu.int/plenipotentiary)
- **ITU 2007 Council** at:  
[www.itu.int/council](http://www.itu.int/council)
- **WTSA-08:**  
(website coming soon)





## Glossary of terms used

<b>CHF</b>	<b>Swiss Francs</b>
<b>CS/CV</b>	<b>ITU Constitution and Convention</b>
<b>GSS</b>	<b>Global Standards Symposium</b>
<b>IPTV</b>	<b>Internet Protocol Television</b>
<b>ITR</b>	<b>International Telecommunication Regulations</b>
<b>ITU</b>	<b>International Telecommunication Union</b>
<b>ITU-D</b>	<b>ITU Development Sector</b>
<b>ITU-R</b>	<b>ITU Radiocommunication Sector</b>
<b>ITU-T</b>	<b>ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector</b>
<b>MBG</b>	<b>Management and Budget Group of ITU Council</b>
<b>NGN</b>	<b>Next Generation Networks</b>
<b>PP-06</b>	<b>ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2006</b>
<b>SDO</b>	<b>Standards Development Organisation</b>
<b>TSAG</b>	<b>Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group</b>
<b>WCIT</b>	<b>World Conference on International Telecommunications</b>
<b>WG-Study</b>	<b>ITU Council Working Group to study participation of relevant stakeholders</b>
<b>WG-WSIS</b>	<b>ITU Council Working Group on WSIS</b>
<b>WSIS</b>	<b>World Summit on the Information Society</b>
<b>WTPF</b>	<b>World Telecommunication Policy Forum</b>
<b>WTSA</b>	<b>World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly</b>