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TSAG Questionnaire



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- **Purpose**
- **Content**
- **First answers analysis**

TSAG questionnaire purpose

- In line with WTSA Resolution 44 and WTDC Resolution 47
- Decided by TSAG meeting 2007-07
- Related to bridging the standardization gap
- identify the views of developing countries with respect to ITU-T work
- identify possible improvements
- ...

In order to

- **provide information on the relevance of ITU-T Recommendations for developing countries**
- **develop strategies to meet the requirements of Resolution 44 (WTSA-04)**

Questionnaire

- **Circulated in TSB Circular 213 (5 May 2008)**
- **To be completed by ITU-T and ITU-D members and associates**
- **To be returned to TSB**
- **Results to be analysed and used by WTSA-08**

Questionnaire content

Three parts:

- **Part 1: Familiarity with ITU-T Standardization activities**
- **Part 2: Updating WTSA-04 Resolutions and hosting workshops**
- **Part 3: Study Group participation**

Preliminary results

- 20 answers received by TSB as of end of June for TSAG 2008-07 meeting
- Preliminary results analysis available in <http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/gap/>

1 – Familiarity with ITU-T standards

- **Majority familiar with ITU-T standards**
- **ITU-T Recommendations relevant and useful in developing countries**
- **Areas of most interest:**
 - **Series D: Tariffs**
 - **Series E: Numbering**
 - **Series G: Transmission**
 - **Series Q: Switching**
 - **Series X: Data networks, security**

1 – Familiarity with ITU-T standards

- **Difficulties:**

- **Demands and equipment different from ITU-T Recommendations**
- **Financial aspects**
- **Lack of human resources**

- **Several suggestions to improve ITU-T's services to developing countries**

2 – Updating Resolutions and hosting workshops

- Familiarity with Resolutions quite high
- interest in the proposals of modifications to be discussed in WTSA-08
- interest in regional workshops on a wide variety of topics
- interest for hosting such workshops

3 - Study Group participation

- Participation mainly in ITU-D SG2 and ITU-T SG3
- Support necessary for Developing Countries to organize and participate in ITU standardization meetings

Thank you.

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