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The Joint Coordination Activity on Accessibility and Human Factors would like to congratulate SG13 for approving the new questions related to cloud computing. The JCA-AHF would like to reiterate to the newly appointed rapporteurs for questions to cloud computing that it is advisable to looking into accessibility in  emerging technologies from the very beginning. As you know, there are also security implications for persons with disabilities, and to name an example, the assistive technologies or profiles are stored in and accessed from a cloud.  The JCA-AHF would like the cloud computing related questions to consider using the ITU accessibility checklist in these respective questions from the very beginning. The mentioned list can be found at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/com16/accessibility/Pages/default.aspx> . ITU-T SG 16 is the Lead study group on telecommunication/ICT accessibility for persons with disabilities.  The JCA-AHF representative to SG13 participating at the SG13 meeting is Mr Leo Lehmann. The JCA-AHF appreciates your work and look forward to future collaboration.