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Abstract

Creation of the Global Telecommunication Organization (GTO) to replace ITU raises issues GTO structure, working methods and funding. This proposal studies and provides a proposal on a proportional funding model for all Member States.

Issues

Issues identified are as follows:

- Current funding mechanism depends on a voluntary choice for the level of monetary contribution
- Members do not participate in equal amounts
- Members enjoy different levels of economic development
- Approximately 30% of the budget is derived from other sources such as sale of publications, development grants and SM dues, with a MS balance of 70 Million CHF
- Outputs and services of GTO are available equally to all Members

Reasons for a proportional funding model

- Two segment of country category i.e. developing country and developed country
- Participation level from members varies by member
- Contribution from telecommunication operators offsets revenue requirements
- Participation from vendors using GTO outputs varies by market share of each vendor
- To retain the current voluntary choice system to determine each MS's dues

Conclusion/Proposal

It is proposed to develop appropriate proportional funding mechanism instead of fixed rates or funding levels to encourage members for effective participation from developing and developed countries, and to implement awarding scheme to the contributors, in view of increasing their competitiveness and to support innovation.