

## **Meeting of Study Group 1 (SG 1)**

*Virtual event*

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### ***Opening Remarks***

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Mr. Chairman,

Dear friends and colleagues,

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to you all.

It is a real pleasure for me to welcome you all to this first meeting of Study Group 1 during this new study period. I would like to thank you all for having accepted to hold this meeting virtually and in English only.

Let me start by congratulating you, Mr. Chairman (Mr. Wael Sayed from EGY), on your election to lead the activities of Study Group 1. I would also like to congratulate all the re-elected or newly elected Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 1. With such a good management team, I am confident that Study Group 1 is in good hands.

I would also like to thank you, Mr. Chairman, as well as the Chairmen and acting Chairman of the SG1 working parties 1A, 1B and 1C, respectively Mr. Garcia de Souza, Mr. Liu Bin in the absence of Mr. Kibet Boruett, and Mr. Trautmann, along with all the Chairmen of the subgroups, as well as the participants, of course, for the good progress achieved in the last ten days of intensive work, despite the current situation in which the work has to advance through virtual meetings only.

In line with the WRC-19 Gender Declaration, it is good to see that new Chairmen, both male and female, have taken the lead on delicate discussions during these

meetings, and I am sure that all of you will continue your fruitful contributions to achieve future successes through the work of ITU-R Study Group 1.

As you all know very well, the developments and achievements of ITU R Study Group 1 and its Working Parties are always welcomed by national authorities responsible for the spectrum management and spectrum monitoring in the various countries.

As such, Study Group 1 activities are very important particularly for developing countries and – in that regard – I am pleased to note:

- The proposed revision of Recommendation ITU-R SM.1392 for consideration by this SG 1 meeting today; and
- The work plan within WP 1C for the future revision of the ITU Handbook on spectrum monitoring.

Likewise, I would like to commend the continuing excellent cooperation that you have had with the ITU-D Study Groups, on topics such as:

- Dynamic access to the spectrum and spectrum sharing,
- Economic aspects of spectrum management, and
- Electromagnetic field measurements to assess human exposure.

This cooperation was illustrated by the consideration of several final draft Reports on ITU-D Questions and by the comments provided in response to liaison statements from ITU-D Study Groups.

Dear colleagues,

With the important support and interest of manufacturers and service providers, Study Group 1 and Working Party 1C continue to improve the Spectrum monitoring techniques, such as those described in:

- the draft new Recommendation on field strength measurement accuracy, or
- in the draft revision of the Report on Inspection of radio stations.

Both are proposed for consideration at this Study Group 1 meeting.

I would like to also recognize the fruitful collaboration with ITU-T and with several external standardization organizations, such as IEC, CISPR or IEEE. This collaboration shall continue to ensure the protection of all the radiocommunication services from any kind of potential sources of interference.

As such, I appreciate the good progress made during the last ten days on the consideration of issues related to Smart Grid Power Management Systems, EMC/EMI issues, Wireless Power Transmission (WPT) or the use of the THz bands.

Dear friends,

Before ending my remarks, I would like to reassure you all that you can continue to count on the full support of the BR to conduct your work.

I also encourage you to continue your efforts in providing excellent products to the ITU membership and to the radiocommunication industry as a whole.

With this, Mr. Chairman, let me conclude by wishing you all a very successful meeting today and all the best for this new study cycle.

Thank you very much for your attention.