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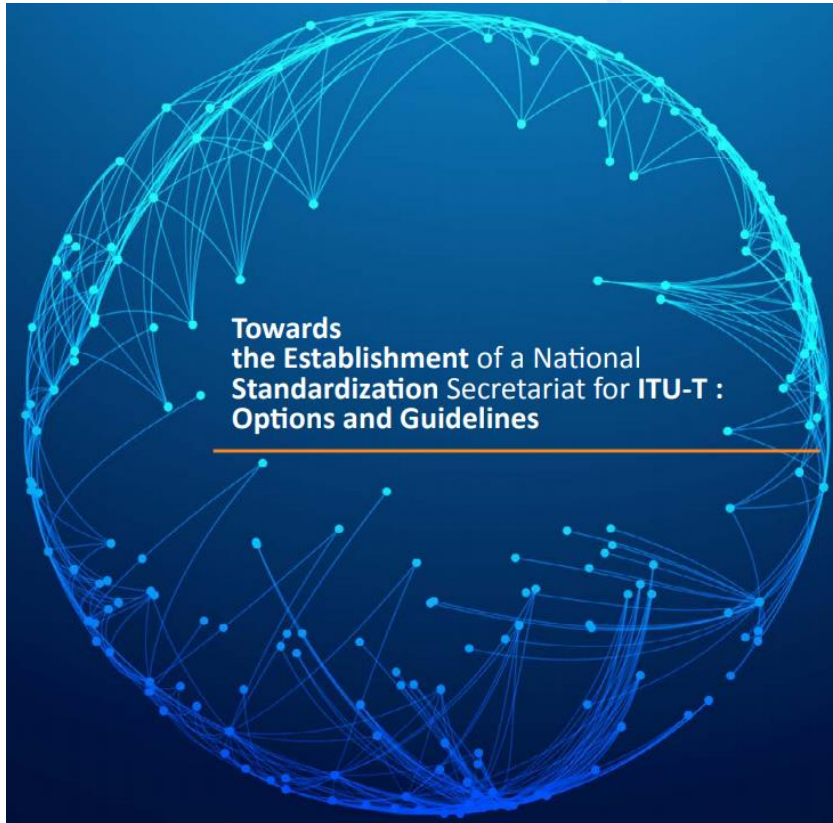
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**Towards
the Establishment** of a National
Standardization Secretariat for **ITU-T :
Options and Guidelines**

These guidelines aims for the creation of **National Standardization Secretariat (NSS)** for ITU-T.

The benefits for NSS include:

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5. Increased efficiency of resources;
6. Implementation of more ITU-T Recommendations

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- **NSS Functions**: dependent on the country's requirements for the support of standardization activities (i.e. number of telecommunication standardization organizations and level of participation in ITU-T Study Groups)

- NSS efforts should bring together the best contributors and stakeholders from a wide range of national interests

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NSS Roadmap: Gearing up to Bridge the Standardization Gap (BSG)

1 — RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

Determine if there is enabling legislation assigning responsibility for ITU and ITU-T to a specific government organization.

If that is the case, assign the role of Responsible Agency (RA) to that organization for NSS; otherwise assign the RA role to another suitable organization.

2 — HUMAN RESOURCES

Identify suitable human resources to effectively engage with ITU. Coordinate with other organisations, both public and private to solicit nominations for experts to support the NSS.

3 — FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Allocate sufficient financial resources to the Responsible Agency for the establishment of an NSS. Seek private sector support if required.

4 — BUREAU OR SUPPORT

Establish an NSS Bureau with the relevant personnel or appoint staff to generally coordinate and support NSS efforts.

5 — COMMITTEES

Establish committee(s) and group(s) to form part of the NSS, such as the NSC-T, National SGs and-hoc groups. Develop and agree on Rules of procedure. Appoint leadership.

6 — BEGIN OPERATIONS AND START STANDARDIZING!

Inform the ITU of the appropriate contact names for engagement between the Member State and the ITU.

Start making and influencing standards!

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