

## **Question 9/3 – Economic and policy aspects of the Internet, convergence (services or infrastructure) and OTTs in the context of international telecommunication/ICT services and networks**

### **1 Motivation**

Convergence and new services are fostered by advances in radio access networking and by the uptake of mobile devices, which enable consumptions of communication, videos, personalized services and other content.

These developments may have implications for access, affordability, competitiveness, investment and innovation in the international telecommunication ecosystem.

### **2 Question**

Economic and regulatory relationship between the Internet, convergence (services or infrastructure), and Over the Top (OTT) and international telecommunications networks and services.

### **3 Tasks**

The tasks to be undertaken by this Question include:

- Study the specific international and regional aspects of the economic and regulatory relationship between the Internet, convergence, OTTs, and international telecommunication networks and services, with explicit consideration to developing countries.
- Terms and definitions for recommendations or studies dealing with this question.

Texts under development: D.OTTBypass, STUDY\_Convergence, and TR\_OTTbypass.

An up-to-date status of work under this Question is contained in the SG3 work programme at [https://www.itu.int/ITU-T/workprog/wp\\_search.aspx?sp=17&q=9/3](https://www.itu.int/ITU-T/workprog/wp_search.aspx?sp=17&q=9/3).

### **4 Relationships**

#### **Recommendations**

- None

#### **Questions**

- None

#### **Study Groups**

- ITU-T SG2
- ITU-D study groups

#### **Standardization bodies**

- Regional and international organizations

#### **WSIS Action Lines**

- C2

#### **Sustainable Development Goals**

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