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| SUPPRESION OF WTSA-12 RESOLUTION 45 – EFFECTIVE COORDINATION OF STANDARDIZATION WORK ACROSS STUDY GROUPS IN ITU-T AND THE ROLE OF TSAG | | | |
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| **Abstract:** | This contribution proposes the suppression of Resolution 45 of WTSA-12 – Effective coordination of standardization work across study groups in the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector and the role of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group |

**Discussion**

There is no apparent purpose served in maintaining Resolution 45, given TSAG’s ongoing role and responsibilities defined in Article 14A of the ITU Convention, and in ITU-T Resolutions 1 and 22, which include such a coordination function. In consideration of the *resolves* of Resolution 45, references are made to the following:

1. *the identification of high-level objectives and priorities for ITU-T studies from a global perspective*. This can be achieved through the recent establishment of the TSAG Rapporteur Group on the Standardization Strategy.
2. *cooperation between study groups, including the avoidance of duplication of work and the identification of linkages between related work items*. TSAG’s ongoing responsibilities include this function, which is supported by regular meetings/conference calls of the Study Group Management Team.
3. *the planned coordination of time*-*frames, deliverables, objectives and milestones for standardization activities*. The Strategic Plan for ITU, based on a results-based management framework, along with the rolling operational plans, are under review on an ongoing basis by the TSAG Rapporteur Group on strategic and operational planning.
4. *that the interests of developing countries are taken into account and that their involvement in these activities is encouraged and facilitated.* This is a directive implemented throughout the entire Sector; in TSAG, two Vice-chairs are specifically tasked with matters relating to “bridging the standardization gap”.
5. *cooperation and coordination with ITU-R and ITU-D and with other, external, standardization bodies.* Matters relating to inter-Sector coordination and collaboration are undertaken in TSAG sub-Rapporteur Group on intra-ITU collaboration and coordination. This is supported at the membership level by the new Inter-Sector Coordination Team, and at the Secretariat level, by the Inter-Sector Coordination Task Force. In relation to external organization, TSAG has established a Rapporteur Group on Strengthening Collaboration with external entities and SDOs.

**Proposal**

Given that actions associated with Resolution are being addressed on an ongoing basis, Resolution 45 can be suppressed.

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resolution 45 (REV. DUBAI, 2012)

**Effective coordination of standardization work across study groups in the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector and the role of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group**

*(Florianópolis, 2004; Johannesburg, 2008; Dubai, 2012)*

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (Dubai, 2012),

**Reasons:** See discussion and proposal to Documento 46 (Add. 27).