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MY COMMITMENT TO STUDY GROUP 20.

Spain has been actively participating in all ITU activities related to Smart Cities since the beginning by Chairing the Focus Group on Smart and Sustainable Cities. We are committed to continuing our active involvement in ITU initiatives on Smart Cities through the Vicechairmanship of the recently established ITU-T Study Group 20 .

The upcoming study period for ITU-T Study Group 20 will deal with important state-of-the-art issues such as the work items proposed by Spain on a reference model for Smart Tourist Destinations, an Open Data Indicator in Smart Cities, as well as the requirements for deployment of smart services in rural communities.

Besides the standardization work of Study Group 20, Spain would like to contribute through its participation in SG20 Management Team to raise the visibility of the ITU work on Smart Cities both at national and international level. Furthermore, the Vicechairmanship could improve the coordination between the European position on Smart and Sustainable Cities and the other Regions.

MY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

My participation as Head of Delegation to ITU-T Study Group 3 in the late nineties was the starting point to a long career in the international arena, both in ITU as well as in other Organizations such as the European Communications Office and CEPT.

I have been part of the Spanish Delegation to Council and Plenipotentiary Conferences since 2000, as Counsellor in last years. In the biennium 2011-2012 I was honoured to chair the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance of the ITU Council.

Besides, I have lead the Spanish Delegations to the World Telecommunications Development Conferences and ITU-D Study Groups, and acted a Vice rapporteur and as CEPT Vice chair of ITU-D Study Group 1.

At the national level my current position is Head of Unit at the Cabinet of the Secretary of State for Telecommunications and Information Society. My responsibilities include being the ITU Focal Point for Spain leading the national coordination of ITU activities, and specially the activities regarding Smart and Sustainable Cities in direct coordination with the Chair of the Spanish Smart Cities Network.

MY BACKGROUND

BS Physics (1986) and Master of Business Administration (1993).

Spanish Administration civil servant form 1985 to date, having held various positions at the Statistics Bureau, Patent and Trademark Office and Ministry of Industry, Energy and Tourism.

Languages: Spanish, French, English, Catalan.