

DECISION 626 (C22)

Dates and duration of the 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026 sessions of the Council, along with the clusters of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups for 2023, 2024, and 2025

The ITU Council,

bearing in mind

a) Resolution 77 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, which instructs the Council “at each ordinary session, to schedule its next three ordinary sessions in June-July and to review the Council’s schedule on a rolling basis”;

b) Resolution 111 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, which resolves “that the Union and the Member States of the Council should make every effort, as far as practicable, in order that the planned period of any Council session not be scheduled during a period which is considered a major religious period by a Member State of the Council”;

c) Decision 619 on Headquarters Premises adopted at the additional 2019 session of the Council,

recalling

Council Decision 625 confirming the dates and duration for the 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026 sessions of the Council, along with the cluster of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups for 2022, 2023, and 2024,

considering

the need to schedule ordinary sessions of the Council as much as possible around the same time frame each year in order to facilitate the arrangement of other ITU events,

considering further

the need to organize the ordinary session of the Council within a Plenipotentiary Conference (PP) year early enough so to allow Council reports to be further considered at PP to be published in a reasonable time frame,

emphasizing

that scheduling the clusters of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups (CWGs & EGs), over the next three years, would not only improve the overall planning of ITU events, but also reduce the risk of overlapping,

acknowledging

the need to address the need for temporary conference and meeting facilities during the demolition and early construction phase of the project by producing a list of the needs, including dates of conferences and meetings during this period,

decides

1 that the 2023 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its cluster of CWGs & EGs as follows:

– First Cluster of CWGs & EGs: from Monday, 6 February to Friday, 17 February 2023

– **Council-23: from Tuesday, 11 July to Friday, 21 July 2023**

– Second Cluster of CWGs & EGs: from Monday, 18 September to Friday, 29 September 2023;

2 that the 2024 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its cluster of CWGs & EGs as follows:

– First cluster of CWGs & EGs: from Monday, 19 February to Friday, 1 March 2024

– **Council-24: from Tuesday, 9 July to Friday, 19 July 2024**

– Second cluster of CWGs & EG: from Monday, 30 September to Friday, 11 October 2024;

3 that the 2025 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its cluster of CWGs & EGs as follows:

– First cluster of CWGs & EGs: from Monday, 10 February to Friday, 21 February 2025

– **Council-25: from Tuesday, 1 July to Friday, 11 July 2025**

– Second cluster of CWGs & EG: from Monday, 8 September to Friday, 19 September 2025;

4 that the 2026 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, as follows:

– **Council-26: from Monday, 4 May to Thursday, 14 May 2026.**

Ref.: Documents [C22/2](#), [C22/92](#), and [C22/98](#).
