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**To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members,
ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5
and ITU-R Academia**

**Subject: New process for the updates of IMT-2000 in Recommendation ITU-R M.1457
based on an adaptation of the IMT-Advanced update process in
Recommendation ITU-R M.2012**

1 Introduction

Since October 2012, Working Party 5D has been engaged with the relevant external organizations to develop a new process for the updates of the IMT-2000 radio interfaces for Recommendation ITU-R M.1457. To simplify the updating procedure, the new process uses an adaptation of the IMT-Advanced update process developed for Recommendation ITU-R M.2012.

2 Announcement of the new process for ongoing updates of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457

The results of the above efforts and consultations have been positive and the new process for updating Recommendation ITU-R M.1457 (“Detailed specifications of the terrestrial radio interfaces of IMT-2000 (IMT-2000)”) has been finalized.

At the 16th meeting of Working Party 5D in July 2013, the meeting agreed to put the new process into effect for the future revisions of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457, beginning with the upcoming draft Revision 12 of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457.

This Circular Letter therefore formally announces that the new process will be used henceforth for the IMT-2000 updates of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457. The new process replaces the former process detailed in Circular Letter 8/LCCE/95.

3 Definition of the new process for on-going updates of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457

The new process for the updating of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457 is defined in the following documents:

- Document [IMT-2000/1](#) “Submission and evaluation process and consensus building for future development of IMT-2000”;
- Document [IMT-2000/2](#) “Process and the use of global core specification (GCS), references and related certifications in conjunction with future revisions of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457”;
- Document [IMT-2000/3](#) “Procedure for the development of draft revisions of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457”;
- Document [IMT-2000/4](#) “Historical documents related to Recommendation ITU-R M.1457 update process”.

4 Web page for the IMT-2000 update process

The Radiocommunication Bureau has established an “IMT-2000 submission and evaluation process” web page to facilitate the use of this new update process (see <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/study-groups/rsg5/rwp5d/imt-2000/Pages/submit-eval-process.aspx>). The IMT-2000 submission and evaluation process web page provides details of the process and will include other relevant information on the development of revisions to Recommendation ITU-R M.1457.

5 Announcement of Revision 12 of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457 and associated schedule

Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members, ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5 and external organizations and technology proponents are invited to participate in Revision 12 of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457. In doing so, the new process described in this circular letter should be applied.

Document [IMT-2000/5](#), “*Schedule for Revision 12 update of Recommendation ITU-R M.1457*” provides the detailed schedule for this specific revision. An advanced version of this schedule was previously communicated by liaison from the WP 5D 15th meeting to the external organizations so they could plan their work.

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