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| **Telecommunication Standardization Bureau** |  |
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Geneva, 9 December 2010

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| Tel: Fax:  E-mail: | +41 22 730 5515 +41 22 730 5853 [tsbsg15@itu.int](mailto:tsbsg15@itu.int) | To Administrations of Member States of the Union, to ITU-T Sector Members and to ITU-T Associates participating in the work of Study Group 15 |

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| Subject: | Meeting of Study Group 15 Geneva, 14-25 February 2011 |

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 In accordance with the schedule of ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector meetings for 2011 (see TSB Circular 80 of 14 December 2009), I should like to inform you that Study Group 15 (Optical transport network and access network infrastructures) is to meet at ITU headquarters, Geneva, from 14 to 25 February 2011 inclusive.

The meeting will open at 0930 hours on the first day. Participant registration will begin at 0800 hours at the Montbrillant entrance. Detailed information concerning the meeting rooms will be displayed on screens at the entrances to ITU headquarters.

2 An interpretation service will be provided for the meeting in accordance with the relevant provisions in force.

3 The draft agenda, as prepared by the Chairman of Study Group 15 (Yoichi Maeda), is set out in **Annex 1** hereto.

4 The draft timetable, as prepared by Study Group 15 management team, is set out in **Annex 2** hereto.

5 Please note that, following a discussion at the TSAG meeting, 8-11 February 2010, and in agreement with the ITU-T Study Group Chairmen, contributions should now be received, on a trial basis, by TSB at least 12 (twelve) calendar days before the date set for the opening of the meeting. Such contributions will be published on the Study Group 15 website and must therefore be received by TSB **not later than 1 February 2011**. Contributions received at least two months before the start of the meeting may be translated, if required, according to the provisions in force.

Participants are encouraged to submit contributions using the web-based submission form available on the Study Group 15 homepage, or by electronic mail to the following address: [**tsbsg15@itu.int**](mailto:tsbsg15@itu.int). Detailed instructions can be found on the ITU-T website.

We would strongly encourage you to use the set of templates that has been created to harmonize the appearance of ITU-T documents while making their production easier and hence more efficient. The templates are accessible from each ITU-T study group web page, under “Guides, Tools and Templates” (<http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/templates/index.html>).

With a view to settling any questions that might arise concerning contributions, the name, fax and telephone numbers and e-mail address of the person to be contacted should be indicated on contributions. Accordingly, please include those details on the cover page of all documents.

6 To enable TSB to make the necessary arrangements concerning the documentation for, and organization of, the meeting, I should be grateful if you would send me, by letter, fax (+41 22 730 5853) or e-mail ([tsbreg@itu.int](mailto:tsbreg@itu.int)), as soon as possible but **not later than 14 January 2011**, the list of people who will be representing your Administration, Sector Member, Associate, regional and/or international organization or other entity. Administrations are requested also to indicate the name of their head of delegation (and deputy head, if applicable).

**7 Please note that pre-registration of participants to ITU-T meetings is carried out *online* at the ITU-T website (**[**http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/com15/index.asp**](http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/com15/index.asp)**).**

8 In agreement with its Chairman, Yoichi Maeda, Study Group 15 will continue working in a **fully electronic environment**. The meeting will therefore be run **paperless**.

Printers are available in the cyber café of the 2nd basement of the Tower building and 2nd floor of Montbrillant building for delegates who wish to print documents. In addition, the Helpdesk Service ([helpdesk@itu.int](mailto:helpdesk@itu.int)) has prepared a limited number of laptops for those who do not have one.

9 For sessions that are scheduled to be held with interpretation, please note that interpretation will actually be provided only where Member States so request, by means of the registration form, or a special notice to TSB, and **at least one month before the start of the sessions in question**. It is imperative that this deadline be respected in order for TSB to make the necessary arrangements for interpretation.

10 We are pleased to inform you that ITU will provide a limited number of partial fellowships (either economy class air ticket **or** accommodation and a daily allowance to cover meals and incidental expenses) to facilitate participation from Least Developed or Low Income Developing Countries. An application must be authorized by the relevant Administration of the ITU Member State and be limited to only one person per country. The fellowship request form, enclosed as **Annex 4**, should be returned to ITU **not later than** **14 January 2011**. Please note that at WTSA-08, the Heads of Delegation committed that their candidate chairmen and vice-chairmen would be provided with the necessary resources to fulfill the duties of their office for the full four-year term and that it was therefore recognized that the chairmen and vice-chairmen will not receive financial assistance from ITU.

11 Wireless LAN facilities are available for use by delegates in the ITU main conference room areas and in the CICG (Geneva International Conference Centre) building. Wired network access continues to be available in the ITU Montbrillant building. Detailed information is available on the ITU-T website (<http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/edh/faqs-support.html>).

12 For your convenience, **a hotel confirmation form** is enclosed as **Annex 3**   
(see <http://www.itu.int/travel/> for the list of hotels).

13 We would like to remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend any time in Switzerland. **The visa must be requested at least four (4) weeks before the date of beginning of the meeting** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Switzerland in your country or, if there is no such office in your country, from the one that is closest to the country of departure. If problems are encountered, the Union can, at the official request of the administration or entity you represent, approach the competent Swiss authorities in order to facilitate delivery of the visa but only within the period mentioned of four weeks. Any such request must specify the name and functions, date of birth, number, dates of issue and expiry of passport of the individual(s) for whom the visa(s) is/are requested and be accompanied by a copy of the notification of confirmation of registration approved for the ITU-T meeting in question, and must be sent to TSB by fax (+41 22 730 5853) or e-mail ([tsbreg@itu.int](mailto:tsbreg@itu.int)) bearing the words **“visa request”**.

Yours faithfully,

Malcolm Johnson  
Director of the Telecommunication  
Standardization Bureau

**Annexes: 4**

ANNEX 1

(to TSB Collective 6/15)

**Draft agenda for the fourth meeting of ITU-T Study Group 15  
(Optical and other transport network infrastructures)**

Geneva, 14-25 February 2011

1. Opening of meeting
2. Approval of agenda
3. Feedback and Status Reports on interim activities (since June 2010)
   1. Approval of the third SG15 report (June 2010)
   2. TSAG meeting (matters of interest to SG15)
   3. SG15 interim activities (matters of interest to Plenary)
   4. Status on SG15’s liaison, innovation, marketing, promotion and other roles
   5. Status of draft Recommendations consented
   6. SG15 management team meeting (matters of interest to Plenary)
4. Objectives for this meeting
5. Work Plan for this meeting (Annex 2)
6. Conduct of and facilities available for the meeting
7. Documents and their allocation
8. Miscellaneous
9. Reports of Working Parties
   1. Matters for resolution at study group level
   2. Intellectual Property Rights Inquiry
   3. Consent on Recommendations proposed for approval using Recommendation ITU-T A.8
   4. Agreement on other texts
   5. Status of Recommendations (SG15 work programme)
   6. Liaison and interaction with other groups
   7. Interim Rapporteur/WP activities
   8. Texts for deletion, if any
10. Approval of any draft new/revised Recommendations referred back to SG during AAP
11. Reports on SG15’s liaison, innovation, marketing, promotion and other roles
12. Future activities
13. Miscellaneous
14. Closing

ANNEX 2

(to TSB Collective letter 6/15)

Study Group 15 Work Plan, 14-25 February 2011 (first week)

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|  | **Monday 14 Feb** | | | | | | **Tuesday 15 Feb** | | | | | | **Wednesday  16 Feb** | | | | | | **Thursday 17 Feb** | | | | | | **Friday 18 Feb** | | | | | |
| Q/15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| **SG15 Plen** |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **WP1 Plen** |  |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q1/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q2/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q4/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **WP2 Plen** |  |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q5/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x | 6 |  | 7 | 7 | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q6/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 2 |  |  | x | x | x | x | 6 |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q7/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q8/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q16/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | 7 | 7 | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q17/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q18/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 7 | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **WP3 Plen** |  |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q3/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x |  | 2 |  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |
| **Q9/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x | 2 |  |  | x | 3 | 4 | 4 |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |
| **Q10/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | 2 |  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |
| **Q11/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  | x | 2 |  |  | x | 3 | x | x |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q12/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | 1 | 1 | x | 2 |  |  | x | x | 4 | 4 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q13/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 2 |  |  | x | 3 | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q14/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | 1 | 1 | x | 2 |  |  | x | x | 4 | 4 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
| **Q15/15** |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 2 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |
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Study Group 15 Work Plan, 14-25 February 2011 (second week)

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|  | **Monday 21 Feb** | | | | | | **Tuesday 22 Feb** | | | | | | **Wednesday  23 Feb** | | | | | | **Thursday 24 Feb** | | | | | | **Friday 25 Feb** | | | | | |
| Q/15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| **SG15 Plen** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x |  |  |
| **WP1 Plen** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q1/15** |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q2/15** |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 11 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q4/15** |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 11 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **WP2 Plen** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | 13 | 13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q5/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q6/15** |  |  |  |  | 8 | 10 |  |  |  | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q7/15** |  | x | x | x | 8 | 10 |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q8/15** |  | x | x | x | 8 |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q16/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Q18/15** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **WP3 Plen** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q3/15** |  | x | x | 9 | 9 | 10 |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q9/15** |  | x | x | 9 | 9 | 10 |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q10/15** |  |  |  | 9 | 9 | 10 |  |  |  | x |  |  |  |  | x |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q11/15** |  |  |  | 9 | x | 10 |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q12/15** |  | x | x | 9 | 9 | 10 |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q13/15** |  | x | x | x | x | 10 |  | x | x | x | 11 |  |  | x | x |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q14/15** |  | x | x | 9 | 9 | 10 |  | x | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Q15/15** |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1) | Joint Q12, 14/15 on ASON, Discovery, and DCN architecture topics. If the work can be accomplished in the first quarter, Q12 and 14/15 will meet separately during the 2nd quarter. |
| 2) | Joint Q3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/15 meeting - OTN Coordination Meeting #1. IEEE 802.3 projects status will be included in this meeting. |
| 3) | Joint Q9, 11, 13/15 on OTN timing: CPRI, time sync, protection, etc. |
| 4) | Joint Q3, 9, 10, 12, 14/15 on Ethernet, MPLS-TP, and G.ptneq Topics, if needed. Otherwise Q9, 12, and 14/15 will meet separately during these periods. |
| 5) | Innovation and Marketing session. |
| 6) | Joint meeting Q5, 6/15 if needed. |
| 7) | Joint meeting Q5, 16, 18/15. |
| 8) | Joint meeting Q6, 7, 8/15. |
| 9) | Joint Q3, 9, 10, 12, 14/15 meeting to review MPLS-TP Recommendation updates, if needed. If not needed, Q10, 12, and 14/15 will meet separately during these periods. |
| 10) | Joint Q3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/15 meeting - OTN Coordination Meeting #2, if required. This session will be cancelled if there are no issues requiring coordination later during the meeting. Note that this is scheduled for period 5 (1800 hrs) in the Montbrillant building or the Tower and will mainly include Rapporteurs and Editors, although others who are interested may also attend. |
| 11) | Joint Q2, 4, 13/15 on interconnection of core and access transport of time, SSM. |
| 12) | WP3/15 Rapporteurs only - Report preparation. |
| 13) | WP2/15 Chairman and Rapporteurs - Report preparation. |

ANNEX 3  
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ANNEX 4  
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|  | **ITU-T Study Group 15 meeting**  **Geneva, Switzerland, 14-25 February 2011** | | | | | |  | |
| **Please return to:** | | | **ITU/BDT**  **Geneva (Switzerland)** | | **E-mail :** [**bdtfellowships@itu.int**](mailto:bdtfellowships@itu.int)  **Tel: +41 22 730 5487**  **Fax: +41 22 730 5778** | | | |
| **Request for a partial fellowship to be submitted before 14 January 2011** | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | Participation of women is encouraged | | |  | |
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| CONDITIONS **(Please select your preference in “condition” 2 below)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. One **partial** fellowship per eligible country. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. ITU will cover either one of the following: | | | | | | | | | | |
| □ **Economy class air ticket (duty station / Geneva / duty station).** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **□ Daily subsistence allowance intended to cover accommodation, meals & misc. expenses.**   1. It is imperative that fellows be present from the first day to the end of the meeting. | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Signature of fellowship candidate:** | | | | | | **Date:** | | | | |
| **TO VALIDATE FELLOWSHIP REQUEST, NAME, TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL DESIGNATING PARTICIPANT MUST BE COMPLETED BELOW WITH OFFICIAL STAMP.** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Signature** | | | | | | **Date** | | | | |