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Candidate for the Vice-Chair for Study Group 1

Ms. Otsuki is well-versed in the telecommunications/ICT field and has expertise in policy and regulatory issues. She currently serves as a Director of the Tariff and Regulatory Affairs Office at NTT DOCOMO, Inc., where she has been actively involved in policy and standardization work at ITU and APT. She has held the roles of vice-chair and vice-rapporteur of ITU-D Study Group 1. She has also been responsible for leading the discussion at the APT Preparatory Group for WTDC-25 as the Chair of Working Group 3, contributing significantly to the preparation of the Regional Initiatives for the region. In addition, she has been engaged in the work of GSMA, particularly in the policy and advocacy field, and built a bridge between government and the mobile communications industry.

Prior to her current position, she was the Assistant Director of the Global Strategy Division at the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC), Japan. In her role, she had been contributing to a number of ITU activities including the Council, the Council Working Group, Expert Groups, as well as Conference and Assemblies such as WTSA-20, WTDC-22 and PP-22. She served as a session moderator for the GSR-ASP in 2021 and served as an ad hoc chair of one of the resolutions at PP-22.

Before transferring to the MIC, Ms. Otsuki spent 16 years in a variety of roles at NTT DOCOMO, Inc. She first started her engagement with ITU in 2008 as a delegate for the ITU-T Study Group 3. While she was stationed in the United States as a Manager of the Washington DC office for NTT DOCOMO USA, Inc. she joined the WCIT-12 as a member of the US delegation because of her knowledge and experience.

After returning back to Japan, Ms. Otsuki participated in WTSA-16 and successfully chaired the drafting group for one of the WTSA resolutions. Since 2017, she has taken on a role of associate rapporteur and rapporteur for Q12 of ITU-T Study Group 3 and been contributing to the studies related to Mobile Financial Services. She received the ITU-Association of Japan Encouragement Award in 2017 and the Accomplishment Award in 2023 for her contributions over the years.

Ms. Otsuki holds a master's degree in public policy and a graduate diploma in public administration from the Crawford School of Economics and Government, the Australian National University in Canberra, Australia, and a bachelor's degree in arts specializing in business management from the International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan.