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| **Agenda item** | **Subject** |
|  | **Opening of the meeting**  Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. Chairman expressed his gratitude to the Serbian hosts and the rising involvement of European administrations in the ITU-D activities.  The group commemorated Mr Hassane Makki (Switzerland) with one minute of silence. |
|  | **Adoption of the agenda**  The adopted agenda is in Annex I to this report.  The List of Participants is in Annex II to this report. |
|  | **Adoption of the Report from Com-ITU meeting 1-4 October 2013**  The Report from the Com-ITU meeting was adopted with one amendment suggested by the French administration. It can be found at the Com-ITU webpage in the folder “2013”, subfolder “1-4 October Bucharest”, subfolder “Report”. |
|  | **Information from the chairman**  Chairman informed about the possibility to invite Mr Wonki Min, the future chairman of the PP-14 from the Korean Ministry of Science, ICT & Future Planning to the next Com-ITU meeting. The group decided to approve chair’s initiative.  Chairman informed about his recent participation in the Internet Governance Forum that was held in Bali, Indonesia on 21-15 October 2013. The most important issues relevant to the works of Com-ITU were raised: attempts to define the role of the government in internet governance and the Brazilian proposal to held a summit dedicated to internet. This initiative will take place on 23-24 April 2014 in Sao Paulo, Brazil. It will be a multistakeholder conference that will endeavour to develop general principles for Internet governance. It is still unclear at this point of time, if it is going to be a one of event or will it morph into future working groups. The outcome of this meeting could be crucial to the activities of Com-ITU, e.g. the topic of the role of the governments in the internet governance has already been discussed in Com-ITU (doc. (13) 039) and it is a current point of interest of ITU CWG on Internet. Secondly, the decisions taken at this forum may influence preparatory process to the PP14, as it is expected that the internet governance issue may be raised again in several contributions (e.g. review of resolutions 101 and 102).  The Chairman informed that he will participate in the High Level Group on Internet Governance organized by the European Commission on 3 December. |
|  | **Preparations to WTDC-14**  ITU informed participants that next year’s WTDC will take place in UEA on (31 March-11 April).  Chairman expressed his gratitude and appreciation to the rising involvement of European administrations in the work undertaken by ITU-D. The Regional Preparatory Meeting to WTDC (25-28 November) attracted a fair number of participants and its outcome in a view of the Chair is very good. The RPM managed to prepare a draft Regional Initiatives for Europe (doc. (13) 061). Alongside with Com-ITU consultations, ITU secretariat agreed to consult the paper in a view of defining the real needs of interested European member states. The letter with the accompanying document will be sent in the beginning of December and the deadline for comments is set at 20 December 2013.  Com-ITU debated the draft CEPT priorities for WTDC-14 (doc. (13) 025\_rev2). These guidelines are expected to form the frame for potential European Common Proposals at WTDC-14. The text is almost agreed and the Chairman was asked to disseminate this document to other regions for consultations.  The group also discussed several inputs:  Doc. (13) 054 and (13) 055 the French inputs on study questions on climate change. The outcome of the discussion was favourable and the French administration was requested to resubmit both documents with further clarifications on a possible overlap of this issue in the ITU-T and ITU-D sectors. Portugal, with a possible assistance of the ECO Office, was asked to further develop its doc. (13) 038 on duplication of works between ITU-D and ITU-T in order to include in it the ‘R’ sector as a possible contribution to the PP-14. The RCC’s proposal on intersectoral group dedicated to identification of the overlaps was suggested as a potential source of help and inspiration. It is expected that Portugal will report back and define if it will be able to handle this request.  Doc. (13) 056 and (13) 057 on enhanced cooperation of ITU-D and European Union and World Bank were warmly received. The group agreed that the documents touched upon important topics. It was, however, suggested that resolution is not needed and it will not be practical to single out and reach out only to two organizations (EU and WB). It was recommended that this could be taken to the CWG for the Elaboration of the draft Strategic Plan and draft Financial Plan of the Union for 2016-2019 and the call should be general and include all organizations dealing with the developmental aid.  Doc. (13) 058 on Mechanism on better use of radio spectrum was dismissed as out of the scope of ITU-D.  Poland was requested to refine the doc. (13) 060 on Promoting ICTs to young women and men for social and economic empowerment with a possibility of resubmission.  Doc. (13) 061 on Regional initiative on data collection on telecommunications infrastructure was discussed. The activities of OECD, which deal with the similar issue were pointed out as a potential field of reference.  Romania was asked to develop Com-ITU doc. (13) 051 on allocation of work for WTDC taking into account the doc. 20 for TDAG.  Spain was requested to develop a paper on study questions after TDAG.  **CEPT Member states are encouraged to submit their contributions for potential ECPs by 13 December 2013.** |
|  | **WSIS+10, Preparations to WSIS High Level Event 2014**  ITU informed that the dates and location of the WSIS High Level Event are still unknown.  CEPT member states are encouraged to provide their input to the following public consultations:  - WSIS Stocktaking questionnaire on the on-going activities related to WSIS implementation – deadline 1 December 2013,  - WSIS Project Prizes 2014 – deadline 30 November 2013,  - 10 years country reports – deadline 12 December 2013.  Poland and UK reported that they are preparing ’10 years country reports’. |
|  | **November cluster of CWGs – update**  The group discussed an outcome of the **CWG on International Internet-related public policy issues** and the consultations run by the group’s chairman. There is one question, which is being consulted:  *"Recognizing the scope of work of ITU on international Internet-related public policy matters, represented by the list of topics in Council Resolution 1305 Annex 1 which was established in accordance with decisions of ITU membership at the Plenipotentiary Conference, the Council Working Group on International Internet Related Public Policy invites Member States to provide their position on following question:*  *Q1. What actions have been undertaken or to be undertaken by governments in relations to each of the international Internet-related public policy issues identified in Annex 1 to Resolution 1305 (adopted by Council 2009 at the seventh Plenary Meeting)?"*  Member states are encouraged to take part in consultations. The possible common CEPT input was discussed, however, due to time constraints it was suggested that administrations should send their answers individually. Nonetheless, France was asked to draft a general input on internet governance and Sweden was asked to provide a common statement on opening up of the CWG Internet and open access to its documents for all stakeholders. The two inputs could be discussed during next meeting as a common CEPT input to consultations.  In relation to **CWG for the Elaboration of the draft Strategic Plan and draft Financial Plan of the Union for 2016-2019**, Italy was requested to provide additional information on the outcome of the discussion and provide it to the group in the beginning of December. Information will be posted at the CEPT website.  Turkey informed about the outcome of the **Committee on ITU's 150th Anniversary** and informed that it will submit a document on this issue for Com-ITU meeting in Warsaw. |
|  | **Preparations to PP-14**  Mr Wojciech Berezowski (PL), the CEPT Coordinator for PP-14 informed about the preparatory process. The Project Team on preparation to the PP-14 was created in October and during the November Com-ITU meeting Member States nominated the representatives to assist in Com-ITU coordination on the issues related with PP-14.  Mr Berezowski informed about his recent participation in the Global ICT Forum for ITU PP-14 that was held in Seoul, Republic of Korea on 25-26 November 2013. The Forum was attended by representatives of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the remaining regions (Africa, both Americas, Asia and Pacific), international organizations, non-governmental organizations, science and research bodies and the hosts - representatives of the Korean government. As a representative of CEPT Mr Berezowski presented European priorities in preparations for the WTDC-14 and PP-14.  CEPT took note of the Russian document (13) 053 on reviewing the interest rates levied on participants in respect of overdue contributions and other dues payable to the ITU budget and transfer of relevant provisions from the ITU Convention to the ITU Financial Regulations and Financial Rules. Further works on this document will be continued after the next meeting of Council Working Group for the Elaboration of the draft Strategic Plan and draft Financial Plan of the Union for 2016-2019.  The group decided to invite Mr Wonki Min, the future chairman of the PP-14 from the Korean Ministry of Science, ICT & Future Planning to the next Com-ITU meeting. |
|  | **Participation of observers in Com-ITU meetings**  The Chairman informed that, although the Israeli administration was invited to attend the Belgrade meeting and present its request, it did not confirm its participation. Therefore, no decision was taken and discussion was postponed to the next meeting if will be necessary. The reference document in this respect is doc. (13) 043.  Issue of three non-permanent observers to the Com-ITU (ICANN, ISOC, RIPE NNC) was discussed. The two documents doc. (13) 052 (suggesting no changes to existing Rules for the participation of observers to the meetings of  Com-ITU and its project teams and correspondence groups) and doc. (13) 049\_1 (suggesting changes to the guidelines) were presented and discussed.  The group agreed to review the current rules. Administrations are requested to provide written comments. Furthermore, Com-ITU decided to invite representatives of RIPE NCC, ISOC and ICANN to participate in Com-ITU until November 2014 (PP-14) when considering Internet-related issues and other issues of common interest. Com-ITU will then evaluate the participation by RIPE, ISOC and ICANN and, after consultation with the three organizations, decide on their future participation in Com-ITU. Com-ITU Chairman was requested to consult the invitation letter with administrations.  The question of other organizations and their possible invitation to Com-ITU was postponed until Rules for the participation of observers to the meetings of  Com-ITU and its project teams and correspondence groups will be completed. |
| 12 | **AOB**  The time plan for the next year was agreed. The next meetings will take place:   * 13-16.01.2014 in Warsaw, Poland, * 10-13.03.2014 in Copenhagen, Denmark, * 5.05.2014 in Geneva, Switzerland.   The Serbian administration announced its candidate, Mr. Momcilo SIMIC for the position in Radio Regulation Board (RRB).  The Turkish administration announced its candidate, Mr Ahmet Erdinç ÇAVUŞOĞLU for the position of Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (TSB).  Member States are encouraged to participate in the following public consultations:   * ITU & UNICEF consultation on Guidelines for Industry on Child Online Protection <http://www.business-humanrights.org/Documents/itu-unicef-ict-guidelines-consultation> , deadline: 20.12.2013 * Development of a Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI), <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Cybersecurity/Pages/GCI.aspx> , deadline: 31.12.2013 |