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COMMITTEE 5 AHG

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**Note by the Chairman of Committee 5's Ad hoc Group on  
Res. 169 and membership issues**

Please find attached a compilation of the proposals for a new Resolution on the review of the current methodologies and development of a future vision for the participation of sector members, associates and academia in the activities of ITU, and also a compilation of proposals to review Resolution 169 on admission of academia, universities and their associated research establishments in the work of the Union.

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DRAFT NEW RESOLUTION [COM 5/XX] (BUSAN, 2014)

**Review of the current methodologies and development of a future vision for the participation of Sector Members, Associates and Academia in the activities of ITU**

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Busan, 2014),

*recognizing*

a) Resolution 152 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), *Improvement of management and follow-up of the defrayal of ITU expenses by Sector Members and Associates*, which revised procedures related to the payment of fees;

**USA/27A2/5**

a) Resolution 152 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on *improvement of management and follow-up of the defrayal of ITU expenses by Sector Members and Associates*, which revised procedures related to the payment of fees;

b) Resolution 158 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), *Financial issues for consideration by the Council*, [which] instructed Council to review the present approach to Sector Membership, including the possibility of changes in areas such as the fee structure and membership categories, including the feasibility of combining sector participation (i.e. a single ITU membership across all three Sectors), and asked Council to review progress of implementation, and recommend modifications where required;

c) Resolution 169 (Guadalajara, 2010), *Admission of academia, universities and their associated research establishments to participate in the work of the three Sectors of the Union*, which established this new category of participation on a trial basis, and instructed Council to add any additional conditions or procedures if deemed appropriate, and to submit a report to the next Plenipotentiary Conference for a final decision on such participation;

d) Resolution 170 (Guadalajara, 2010), *Admission of Sector Members from developing countries to participate in the work of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector and the Telecommunication Standardization Sector*, [which] established a reduced fee structure to promote participation in the activities of the two Sectors,

*recalling*

Resolution 1360, *Study of the current methodologies for the participation of Sector Members, Associates and Academia*, adopted by the 2013 session of the Council,

*considering*

that the 2011 session of the Council referred the follow-up to Resolution 158 on these matters to the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources (CWG-FHR) to prepare recommendations, which in turn deliberated on this subject during its 2012-14 meetings, including a special open consultation with Sector Members, Associates and Academia,

*noting*

that the Council, based on input from the CWG-FHR, recommended that the Union implement changes to simplify, improve fairness and modernize Sector Membership, while maintaining the existing three Sector structure for Sector Membership, including Associates and Academia,

*resolves to instruct the Council*

1 to analyse the implications of various pricing methodologies for Sector Members and Associates, in terms of advantages and disadvantages, and consider additional benefits, including special status for Sector Members of all three Sectors;

2 to study the current structure of membership and the benefits and participation rights of Sector Members, Associates and Academia, with a view to ensuring consistency and fairness between categories of membership;

**OPTION 1**

3 to review the practical application of the rights and obligations of Sector Members as provided in the ITU Constitution and Convention, Resolution 14 (Rev. Antalya, 2006), as well as the arrangements for the participation of Associates and Academia, to ensure that they are properly recognized during ITU conferences, assemblies, study groups, working parties, advisory groups and other activities.

**OPTION 2: USA/27A2/5, IAP/34A1/44(Rev.1)**

3 to review the practical application of the rights and obligations of Sector Members as provided in the ITU Constitution and Convention, Resolution 14 (Rev. Antalya, 2006), as well as the arrangements for the participation of Associates and Academia, to ensure that they are properly recognized during ITU conferences, assemblies, study groups, working parties, advisory groups and other activities;

**OPTION 1: 53, IAP/34A1/44(Rev.1)**

4 to develop guidelines and training for chairmen/vice-chairmen, study group counsellors and others on such arrangements pertaining to various categories of membership and participation, following the review outlined in point 3 above;

**OPTION 2: USA/27A2/5**

4 to develop guidelines and training for chairmen/vice-chairmen, study group counsellors and others on such arrangements pertaining to various categories of membership and participation, following the review outlined in *resolves* 3 above;

**OPTION 1**

5 to study ways of increasing participation among non-profit entities in the work of the Union, including the feasibility of establishing a new category of participation with corresponding rights and obligations;

**OPTION 2: USA/27A/5, IAP/34A1/44(Rev.1)**

5 to study ways of increasing participation among non-profit entities dealing with telecommunication/ICT matters in the work of the Union, including the feasibility of establishing a new category of participation with corresponding rights and obligations;

**OPTION 1**

6 to review the practice of exempting entities from membership fees (based on criteria such as reciprocity), and if necessary, make changes to the eligibility criteria;

**OPTION 2: COM 6**

6 to review the practice and criteria for ~~of~~ exempting entities from membership fees (~~based on criteria such as reciprocity~~), and if necessary, make changes to tighten the eligibility criteria to help bring greater clarity, consistency and fairness between paying and non-paying members and to reduce the total number of exempted entities;

7 to develop a comprehensive consultation strategy with Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academia and others as appropriate, to ensure that all points of view are thoroughly considered,

[8 to report the outcomes of these studies, reviews and consultations to the next plenipotentiary conference]

*instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the three Bureaux*

to provide the necessary support to the Council to ensure that all members and participants have an opportunity to provide feedback to this initiative,

*invites Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academia*

to participate in consultations on the subject, and provide comments on an ongoing basis.

RESOLUTION 169 (~~GUADALAJARA, 2010~~REV. BUSAN, 2014)

OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2

**Admission of academia, universities and their associated research establishments to participate in the work ~~of the three Sectors~~ of the Union**

OPTION 2: ACP/67A2/6, EUR/80A1/9

**Admission of academia, universities and their associated research establishments to participate in the work of the three Sectors of the Union**

OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8

**Admission of academia<sup>1</sup>, ~~universities and their associated research establishments~~ to participate in the work ~~of the three Sectors~~ of the Union**

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (~~Guadalajara, 2010~~Busan, 2014),

*recalling*

**ACP/67A2/6, EUR/80A1/9**

*a)* Resolution 71 (~~Johannesburg, 2008~~Rev. Dubai, 2012) of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly;

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6**

*b)* Resolution 169 (Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference,

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

*b)* Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference,

*considering*

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6, EUR/80A1/9**

*a)* that academia, universities and their associated research establishments are not mentioned in Article 19 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union nor in any other provisions of the Basic Instruments of the Union;

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<sup>1</sup> This includes colleges, institutes, universities and their associated research establishments concerned with the development of telecommunications/ICT.

**OPTION 2: IAP/34A1/2**

a) that the participation of academia, universities and their associated research establishments in the ~~three Sectors work~~ of the Union will benefit the work of ~~the its three~~ Sectors, particularly as these bodies address the research, study, follow-up and developments in modern technology within ITU's field of competence, while having a perspective and future vision allowing modern technologies and applications to be addressed in timely fashion;

**OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8**

a) that the past trial period for the participation of academia, ~~universities and their associated research establishments~~ in the three Sectors of the Union ~~will~~ has proven to benefit the work of the Sectors, particularly as these bodies address developments in modern technology within ITU's field of competence, while having a future vision allowing modern technologies and applications to be addressed in timely fashion;

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6**

~~a~~b) that the trial period of the participation of academia, universities and their associated research establishments in the three Sectors of the Union ~~will~~ as authorized in resolves 1 of Resolution 169 (Guadalajara, 2010) proved to benefit the work of the Sectors, particularly as these bodies address developments in modern technology within ITU's field of competence, while having a future vision allowing modern technologies and applications to be addressed in timely fashion;

**OPTION 2: IAP/34A1/2**

b) that these entities will also contribute to enable and disseminate the activities of the ITU Academy in the academic spheres related to telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs) around the world;

**OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8**

b) that the scientific contribution of these bodies will far outweigh the level of financial contribution proposed to encourage their participation;

**OPTION 4: EUR/80A1/9**

~~a~~b) that the trial period of the participation of academia, universities and their associated research establishments in the three Sectors of the Union ~~will~~ as authorized in resolves 1 of Resolution 169 (Guadalajara, 2010), has proved to be successful and of benefit to the work of the ITU Sectors, particularly as these bodies address developments in modern technology within ITU's field of competence, while having a future vision allowing modern technologies and applications to be addressed in timely fashion;

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6, IAP/34A1/2**

~~b~~c) that the scientific contribution of these bodies will far outweigh the level of financial contribution proposed to encourage their participation,

**OPTION 2: EUR/80A1/9**

~~b~~c) that the scientific contribution of these bodies ~~will~~ far outweighs their level of financial contributions proposed to encourage their participation,

**OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8**

c) that academia shall not have a role in decision-making, including the adoption or approval of resolutions, questions, reports and recommendations,

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2**

*noting*

that a comprehensive analysis of the current methodologies for the participation of Sector Members, Associates and Academia has been initiated in ITU, pursuant to Resolution 158 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010),

**OPTION 2: EUR/80A1/9**

*noting*

a) that a comprehensive analysis of the current methodologies for the participation of Sector Members, Associates has been initiated in ITU pursuant to Resolution 158 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010),

*resolves*

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6**

1 to admit academia, universities and their associated research establishments concerned with the development of telecommunications/information and communication technology (ICT) to participate in the work of the three Sectors, pursuant to the provisions of this resolution, without the need for any amendment to Articles 2 and 3 of the ITU Constitution, for a trial period until the next plenipotentiary conference and Article 19 of the Convention or any other provision of the Convention;

**OPTION 2: IAP/34A1/2**

1 to admit academia, universities and their associated research establishments concerned with the development of telecommunications/information and communication technology (ICT) to participate in the work of the ~~three Sectors~~ Union, pursuant to the provisions of this resolution, without the need for any amendment to Articles 2 and 3 of the ITU Constitution, for a trial period that will last until the next plenipotentiary conference;

**OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8**

1 to admit academia, ~~universities and their associated research establishments concerned with the development of telecommunications/information and communication technology (ICT)~~ to participate in the work of ~~the three Sectors~~ ITU, pursuant to the provisions of this resolution, without the need for any amendment to Articles 2 and 3 of the ITU Constitution, for a trial period until the next plenipotentiary conference;

**OPTION 4: EUR/80A1/9**

1 to admit academia, universities and their associated research establishments concerned with the development of telecommunications/information and communication technology (ICT) to participate in the work of the three ITU Sectors, pursuant to the provisions of this ~~R~~Resolution, without the need for any amendment to Articles 2 and 3 of the ITU Constitution, for a trial period until the next plenipotentiary conference and Article 19 of the Convention or any other provision of the Convention;

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6, IAP/34A1/2**

2 to set the level of the financial contribution for such participation at one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one-thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries<sup>1</sup> for defraying Union expenses;

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

2 to set the level of the financial contribution for ~~such the~~ participation of academia in the work of ITU at one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of ~~organizations-academia~~ from developed countries, and one-thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of ~~organizations-academia~~ from developing countries<sup>12</sup> for defraying Union expenses;

**OPTION 3: EUR/80A1/9**

~~2—to set the level of the financial contribution for such participation at one sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries<sup>1</sup> for defraying Union expenses;~~

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6, IAP/34A1/2, ARB/79A1/8**

3 that acceptance of applications for participation shall be conditional on the support of the Member States of the Union to which the bodies belong, on the condition that this shall not constitute an alternative for those bodies currently listed with the Union as Sector Members or Associates,

**OPTION 2: EUR/80A1/9**

~~32~~ that ~~acceptance of applications for participation shall be conditional on the support of the Member States of the Union to which the bodies belong, the application and approval process for Academia, other than mentioned in *resolves 1* above, should be the same as for Associate~~ on the condition that this shall not constitute an alternative for those bodies currently listed with the Union as Sector Members or Associates,

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2**

~~4 that the level of contribution mentioned in paragraph 2 enables the academia, universities, and associated establishments to participate in the work of the three Sectors equally,~~

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

~~4 that the application and approval process for the accession of academia shall, unlike the provisions of the preceding paragraphs, be similar to that for Associates;~~

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<sup>1</sup> These include the least developed countries, small island developing states, landlocked developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

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5 that academia shall be allowed to participate and make their proposals and interventions remotely,

*instructs the Council*

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6, ARB/79A1/8**

1 to add any additional conditions or detailed procedures to this resolution, if it deems appropriate;

**OPTION 2: EUR/80A1/9**

~~1 to add any additional conditions or detailed procedures to this resolution, if it deems appropriate;~~

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6**

2 to submit a report on this participation to the next plenipotentiary conference, on the basis of an evaluation thereof by the advisory groups of the three Sectors, for a final decision to be taken on such participation;

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8, EUR/80A1/9**

~~2 to submit a report on this participation to the next plenipotentiary conference, on the basis of an evaluation thereof by the advisory groups of the three Sectors, for a final decision to be taken on such participation;~~

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6**

3 that such academia should not have a role in decision-making, including the adoption of resolutions or recommendations regardless of the approval procedure;

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8, EUR/80A1/9**

~~3 that such academia should not have a role in decision-making, including the adoption of resolutions or recommendations regardless of the approval procedure;~~

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6**

4 that the application and approval process for academia, other than those mentioned in *resolves* 1, 2 and 3 above, should be the same as for Associates;

**OPTION 2: IAP/34A1/2**

4 that the application and approval process for academia, other than those mentioned in *resolves* 1, 2 ~~and~~ 3 ~~and~~ 4 above, should be the same as for Associates;

**OPTION 3: ARB/79A1/8, EUR/80A1/9**

~~4 that the application and approval process for academia, other than those mentioned in *resolves* 1, 2 and 3 above, should be the same as for Associates;~~

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6**

5 to further implement this resolution and fix the annual fee based on the proposed amount of one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one-thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries;

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

~~5~~ to implement this resolution and fix the annual fee based on the proposed amount of one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries;

**OPTION 3: EUR/80A1/9**

~~5~~1 to implement this resolution and fix the ~~the annual fee based on the proposed amount of one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries~~ level of the financial contribution for such participation at one-sixteenth of the value of a contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developed countries, and one-thirty second of the value of the contributory unit for Sector Members in the case of organizations from developing countries<sup>1</sup> for defraying Union expenses;

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6**

6 to calculate the financial contributions and the conditions for admission on an ongoing basis, and report to the next plenipotentiary conference,

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

~~6~~2 to calculate the financial contributions and the conditions for admission on an ongoing basis, and report to the next plenipotentiary conference;2

~~3~~ to take any corrective measures required as a result of the amendments to this resolution, particularly for academia affiliated to more than one Sector of the Union,

**OPTION 1: ACP/67A2/6, ARB/79A1/8, EUR/80A1/9**

~~further~~ instructs the Radiocommunication Assembly, the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly and the World Telecommunication Development Conference

**OPTION 2: IAP/34A1/2**

further instructs the ITU, ~~the~~ Radiocommunication Assembly, the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly and the World Telecommunication Development Conference

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6, EUR/80A1/9**

to mandate their respective Sector advisory groups to study, whether there is a need for any additional measures and/or arrangements to facilitate such participation that are not covered by Resolution 1 or relevant recommendations of the above-mentioned assemblies and conference, and adopt such modalities, if they deem it necessary or required, and report the results through the Directors to the Council,

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

to mandate their respective Sector advisory groups to continue to study; whether there is a need for any additional measures and/or arrangements to facilitate such participation that are not covered by Resolution 1 or relevant recommendations of the above-mentioned assemblies and

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conference, and adopt such modalities, if they deem it necessary or required, and report the results through the Directors to the Council,

**OPTION 1: IAP/34A1/2, ACP/67A2/6, EUR/80A1/9**

*instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the three Bureaux*

to take necessary and appropriate action in order to implement this resolution.

**OPTION 2: ARB/79A1/8**

*instructs the Secretary-General, in cooperation with ~~and~~ the Directors of the three Bureaux*

1 to continue his successful efforts to explore and recommend, relying in part upon the advice of the Council, various mechanisms such as the use of financial and in-kind voluntary contributions to encourage collaboration with academia in the six different regions<sup>3</sup> and to facilitate their increased participation;

2 to encourage the participation of academia in the work of the Union, such as ITU TELECOM World, ITU Kaleidoscope, the World Summit on the Information Society and other workshops and forums;

3 to take necessary and appropriate action in order to implement this resolution;

*invites ITU Member States*

to inform its academia of this resolution, encourage them to join the Union and support and assist them in participating in the Union's work.

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<sup>3</sup> Taking into account Resolution 58 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference in regard to the six regional telecommunication organizations, namely: the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT), the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), the Inter-American Telecommunications Commission (CITEL), the African Telecommunications Union (ATU), the Council of Arab Ministers of Telecommunication and Information represented by the Secretariat-General of the League of Arab States (LAS), and the Regional Commonwealth in the field of Communications (RCC).