

**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 proposed revision of Resolution 169 on admission of academia, universities and their associated research establishments in the work of the Union.

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Chairman

## RESOLUTION 169 (REV. BUSAN, 2014)

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

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

*recalling*

- a) Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2012) of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly;
- b) Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference,

*considering*

- a) that the trial period for the participation of academia in the Union has proven to benefit the work of the Sectors, particularly as academia address the research, study and follow-up of 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 a timely fashion;
- b) that the intellectual and scientific contributions of these bodies far outweigh their financial contributions;
- c) that these entities also contribute to disseminating information about the activities of the Union in academic fields related to telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs) around the world,

*noting*

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*

- 1 to continue 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 Union, pursuant to the provisions of this Resolution, without the need for any amendment to Articles 2 and 3 of the ITU Constitution and Article 19 of the Convention or any other provision of the Convention;
- 2 to set the level of the financial contribution for participation in the Union 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, and to apply this level of financial contribution to academia that are already participating in the Union as well as those who join in the future;

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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.

3 that the level of financial contribution specified in *resolves 2* entitles academia to participate in the work of all three Sectors;

4 that academia also be invited to participate in other global and regional conferences, workshops and activities of the Union, with the exception of treaty-making conferences, such as plenipotentiary conferences, or governance-related meetings, such as Council, although some Council working groups may invite academia to participate, if their terms of reference allow;

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

6 that acceptance of applications for academia 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,

*instructs the Council*

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

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

3 to further implement this resolution and fix the annual fee for academia participation, as in *resolves 2*;

4 to review the financial contributions and the conditions for admission and participation on an ongoing basis, and report to the next plenipotentiary conference,

*instructs the Radiocommunication Assembly, the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly and the World Telecommunication Development Conference*

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 relevant resolutions or 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,

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

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

2 to continue their 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 and to facilitate their increased participation;

3 to encourage the participation of academia in various open events and activities of the Union, such as ITU TELECOM World, ITU Kaleidoscope, the World Summit on the Information Society and other workshops and forums,

*invites ITU Member States*

to inform its academia of this resolution, encourage them to join the Union and support their participation.

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