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**To Administrations of Member States of the ITU,
Radiocommunication Sector Members and ITU-R Associates
participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5**

Subject: Meetings of Working Parties 5A, 5B and 5C

- WP 5A: Land mobile service excluding IMT; amateur and amateur-satellite service
- WP 5B: Maritime mobile service including Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS); aeronautical mobile service and radiodetermination service
- WP 5C: Fixed wireless systems; HF systems in the Fixed and Land Mobile Services

Introduction

By means of this Circular Letter, we wish to announce that meetings of ITU-R Working Parties 5A, 5B and 5C in conjunction with a meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 5 (see Administrative Circular [CACE/472](#)) will take place in the ITU Headquarters in Geneva from 18 to 28 May 2009 (see the table below).

Groups	Meeting dates	Deadline for contributions 16:00 hours UTC	Opening session
Working Party 5A	18 – 27 May 2009	Monday, 11 May 2009	18 May at 10:00 hours
Working Party 5C	18 – 27 May 2009	Monday, 11 May 2009	18 May at 14:00 hours
Working Party 5B	19 – 28 May 2009	Tuesday, 12 May 2009	19 May at 10:00 hours

Programme of the meetings

Draft agendas for these meetings are contained in Annex 1. The Questions assigned may be found on: <http://www.itu.int/publ/R-QUE-SG05/en>. The Working Parties will conduct their work in English.

Contributions

Contributions in response to the work of Working Parties 5A, 5B and 5C are invited. These will be processed according to the provisions laid down in Resolution ITU-R 1-5 and posted on <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/rsg5/en> (see “contributions” of each relevant Working Party). **The deadline for submission of contributions is specified in the table above.** Submissions received later than these deadlines cannot be accepted. Resolution ITU R 1-5 provides that contributions which are not available to participants at the opening of the meeting shall not be considered.

Participants are requested to submit contributions by electronic mail to: rsg5@itu.int. A copy should also be sent to the Chairmen of the relevant Working Parties and to the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Study Group 5. The pertinent addresses can be found on:

http://www-br/cgi-bin/htsh/compass/cvc_wptg_list.sh

http://www.itu.int/cgi-bin/htsh/compass/cvc.param.sh?acvty_code=5

Participation/Visa requirements

Delegate/participant registration for the meeting will be carried out online via the ITU-R website. Each Member State/Sector Member/Associate was requested to designate a focal point to be responsible for the handling of all registration requests for his/her administration/organization. Individuals wishing to attend should contact the focal point designated for all Study Group activities for his/her entity directly. The list of designated focal points (DFPs) is available on the **ITU-R Delegate Registration and Member Information** webpage at:

<http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/delegate-reg-info/en>.

Visa requirements

We would like to remind delegates and participants that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend time in Switzerland. **The visa must be requested at least three (3) weeks prior to the opening of the meeting** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Switzerland in the respective country of origin. In cases where there is no such office in the country, the visa should be obtained from the office that is closest to the country of departure. If problems are encountered, the Union can, at the official request of the administration or entity being represented, approach the competent Swiss authorities in order to facilitate the delivery of the visa, however, this procedure will require three weeks as mentioned above. Any such request must be accompanied by the approved registration form related to the ITU conference or meeting in question.

For further information see <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/delegate-reg-info/en>.

Visa requests

For Delegates/Participants who have made their registration request on-line via their respective Member State/Sector Member/Associate DFP, the process for requesting visa support has been simplified. *If ITU Headquarters assistance is required*, the request for support in obtaining a visa may be made by the DFP at the time of completion of the registration request for the individual concerned. On the bottom of the registration form, the DFP will find several questions which must be completed fully and accurately. The required information is as follows:

Date of birth

Passport number

Passport issuance and expiry dates

The visa support procedure will subsequently follow automatically. The Delegate/Participant will be notified via the Confirmation of Registration form sent to his/her e-mail address that the visa support request has been received and is being processed.

The Delegate Registration desk will open at 08:30 hours on the first day of the meeting at the entrance of the Montbrillant building. Please note that the confirmation of registration sent to each delegate/participant by e-mail must be presented, together with photo identification, in order to receive a badge.

Information regarding hotel accommodation for meetings held in Geneva is available at <http://www.itu.int/travel/index.html>.

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Annex: 1

Distribution:

- Administrations of Member States of the ITU and Radiocommunication Sector Members participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5
- ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 5
- Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of Radiocommunication Study Group 5
- Secretary General of the ITU, Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau, Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau

Annex 1

Draft agenda for the 3rd meeting of Working Party 5A

(Geneva, 18 – 27 May 2009)

- 1** Opening remarks
- 2** Adoption of the draft agenda
- 3** Report on the 2nd meeting of Working Party 5A (Doc. [5A/168](#))
- 4** Report from Correspondence Groups
- 5** Working structure and document assignment
- 6** Any other business

J. COSTA
Chairman, Working Party 5A

Draft agenda for the 3rd meeting of Working Party 5B

(Geneva, 19 - 28 May 2009)

- 1 Opening of the meeting
- 2 Approval of the agenda
- 3 Report on results of the meetings of the CVC and the RAG
- 4 Report on CPM-11 Steering Committee meeting (Doc. [5B/187](#))
28 November 2008, Geneva
- 5 Report on the 2nd meeting of Working Party 5B (Doc. [5B/175](#))
- 6 Consideration of input documents
- 7 Establishment of Working Groups and attribution of input documents
- 8 Reports from Rapporteurs and Correspondence Groups:
 - Radar Unwanted Emissions
 - WP 5D
 - WP 6E, WP 5A, WP 5C
 - IEC-TC80 on test standards for GVDSS equipment
 - IALA
 - ISO
- 9 Any other business

J. METTROP
Chairman, Working Party 5B

Draft agenda for the 3rd meeting of Working Party 5C

(Geneva, 18 – 27 May 2009)

- 1** Opening remarks
- 2** Adoption of the draft agenda
- 3** Report on the 2nd meeting of Working Parties 5C (Doc. [5C/129](#))
- 4** Reports from Rapporteurs and Correspondence Groups
- 5** Working structure and document assignment
- 6** Any other business

C. GLASS
Chairman, Working Party 5C