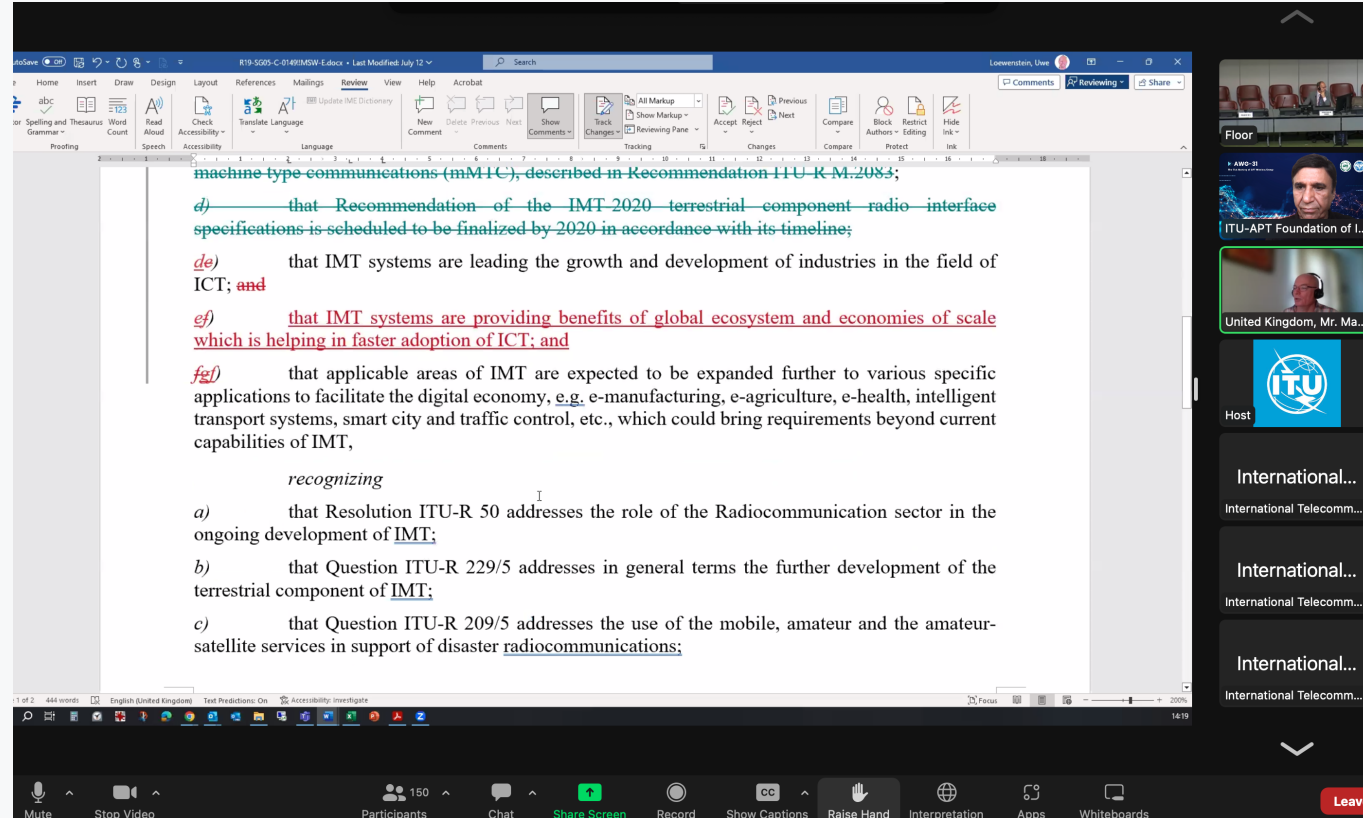


THE WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY

IAFI News

Meeting of Study Group -5 (SG-5) held at Geneva from 25th to 26th Sept, 2023



President IAFI participated in the Meeting of SG-5 on 25th and 26th Sept, 2023 in Geneva to approve and adopt the finalized draft new recommendation containing the Framework for 6G. WP 5D during its 44th meeting in June 2023 had adopted the proposals of IAFI/India and other countries, after four years of extensive deliberations. The agreed framework containing the usage scenario, ubiquitous connectivity, capabilities, coverage, interoperability and sustainability of IMT-2030 (6G) is contained in the finalized draft new recommendation was developed by WP5D through a consensus building process and was forwarded to SG 5 for adoption towards approval. This draft new recommendation is very valuable for administrations and global industry to help focus on their research and development efforts towards IMT 2030 and any delay in the approval can lead to ambiguity among various research programs and corresponding technology development efforts. Issue was again discussed during SG-5 plenary meeting in detail and draft recommendations were finally adopted and approved to send the same to upcoming WRC-23, likely to be held from 20 th Nov to 15 th Dec, 2023 at Dubai.

In addition to the above, one more draft new report of IAFI/India regarding IMT-Applications, utilizing IMT-2020 technologies for wide range of industrial and enterprise usage and applications was also discussed in detail and adopted and approved by SG-5 plenary, to send the same to upcoming WRC-23. This was developed by the SWG-Applications chaired by Mr. Bharat Bhatia and the drafting group under the chairmanship of Shri Jitendra Singh, VP, IAFI

Similarly, another draft new report of IAFI/India, viz IMT-Multimedia, regarding the capabilities of the terrestrial component of IMT-2020 technologies for multimedia communications, including real-time multimedia interactive applications was also discussed in detail and adopted and approved by SG-5 plenary, to send the same to upcoming WRC-23 .

TRAI Consultation Paper regarding review of PMRTS/CMRTS licenses



Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) released a consultation paper on August 29, 2023, to review the terms and conditions of PMRTS and CMRTS licenses. The last date for submitting comments from stakeholders was September 26, 2023, but was later extended to October 24, 2023 based on IAFI request. Draft comments have been prepared by IAFI and circulated to all the members of the IAFI, to solicit their views and suggestions by October 10, 2023.

3rd ITU Inter-regional Workshop on WRC-23 Preparation



Mr. Bharat Bhatia, President IAFI and Shri Jitendra Singh, VP, IAFI participated in the 3rd ITU Inter-regional Workshop on WRC-23 preparation as a part of the Indian delegation. The meeting took place at the International Conference Centre of Geneva (CICG) from September 27 to 29, 2023. The main purpose of the workshop was to provide participants with an opportunity to gain a better understanding of the possible solutions to WRC-23 agenda items and topics that have been identified by regional groups at this stage. The workshop also provided a forum for member countries to exchange information on the common views, positions, and/or proposals of the concerned entities.

TRAI Consultation Papers

Consultation Papers	Submission Dates	status
OPEN AND DE-LICENSED USE OF UNUSED OR LIMITED USED SPECTRUM BANDS FOR DEMAND GENERATION FOR LIMITED PERIOD IN TERA HERTZ RANGE	25th Oct 2023	Under Development
ASSIGNMENT OF SPECTRUM IN E&V BANDS, AND SPECTRUM FOR MICROWAVE ACCESS (MWA) & MICROWAVE BACKBONE (MWB)	25th Oct 2023	Under Development
REVIEW OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PMRTS AND CMRTS LICENSES	24 Oct 2023	Under Development

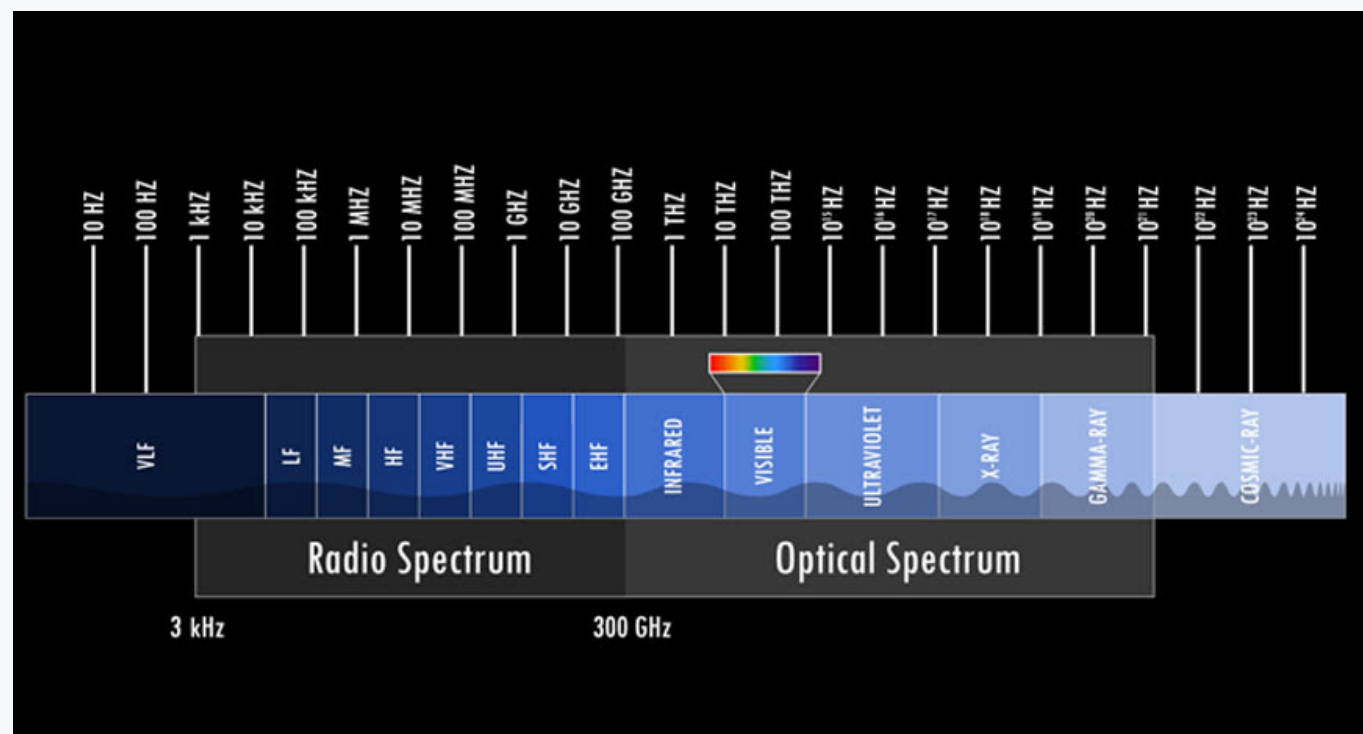
Important Meeting that IAFI will attend

Meeting	Dates	Submission Dates
ITU-T: Focus Group on metaverse (FG-MV)	03rd Oct - 05th Oct 2023	26th Sep 2023
APT: 24th Meeting of the South Asian Telecommunication Regulators' Council (SATRC-24)	03rd Oct - 05th Oct 2023	26th Sep 2023
ITU-T: Focus Group on cost models for affordable data services (FG-CD), and its first meeting and associated Workshop	04th - 6th Oct 2023	27th Sep 2023
ITU-R: ITU World Radiocommunication Conference 2023 (WRC-23)	20th Nov - 15th Dec 2023	20th Oct 2023

Telecom Stories:



The principle of net neutrality played an important role in making India a leading innovation economy with a vibrant startup ecosystem, and the battle to secure it was hard fought, minister of state for IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar said.



Telecom Regulatory Authority of India on Wednesday invited views on opening up high-range frequencies for use without licences as well as on allocation of some other airwaves. In a consultation paper, TRAI sought an opinion on allocation methodology, pricing and use of spectrum in E (71-76 and 81-86 GHz frequency range) and V band (57-64 GHz) over which telecom operators and internet companies have been at loggerheads.



India's vision to have ubiquitous coverage under 6G technology has been accepted by UN body ITU's Study Group in its meeting held at Geneva- a move that is expected to reduce the cost of deployment of the next generation technology.

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