

PCC.I/RES.4 (I-02)¹

**Structure of PCC.I (Telecommunication Standardization) and Mandates for the Working Groups
2002-2006**

The First Meeting of Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunication Standardization,

CONSIDERING:

- a) The new mandate received from the CITEL Assembly, Resolution 43 (III-02), which places significant emphasis on the standardization, certification and the implementation of the MRA;
- b) The proposals received from the participants of PCC.I;
- c) The pertinent resolutions of the 2002 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference affecting the activities of PCC.I;

RESOLVES:

1. That the structure outlined in Annex 1 to this resolution shall be put into effect immediately.
2. That the working groups within the new structure of PCC.I (Telecommunication Standardization) shall have the corresponding mandates that are in Annex 2 to this resolution.
3. That the existing Working Groups and Ad Hoc Groups of PCC.I (Public Telecommunications Services) conclude their work and provide their final report to the second meeting of PCC.I (Telecommunication Standardization) and provide the chair of PCC.I with recommendations regarding future activities that are within the new mandate of PCC.I

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Annex 1**Structure of PCC.I**

Standards Coordination	Advanced Network Technologies and Services	MRA and Certification Processes	Economic Aspects and Tariff Principles	World Conference on International Telecommunications	World Telecommunications Standardization Assembly
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signaling• Fraud• Wireless• Numbering• Interconnection and interoperability• Security• Policy Aspects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IP/NGN• Domain Name issues• Network security• Broadband• Policy Aspects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MRA implementation• Harmonization of certification processes• Harmonization of Conformity assessment processes• Cooperation with other regional MRA groups• Yellow Book• Policy Aspects		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WCIT preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WTSA preparation

Note: the activities listed above are just examples of activities that could be undertaken in the Working Groups, and should not be considered an exhaustive list.

ANNEX 2

SPECIFIC MANDATES OF WORKING GROUPS

A basic principle of PCC.I is to work in close partnership with the private sector in all aspects of its activities. These mandate descriptions are not to be considered exhaustive.

Working Group on Standards Coordination

1. To establish telecommunication standards which promote harmonization among the countries of the region and facilitate network interconnectivity and interoperability.
2. To coordinate within CITEL those areas related to standardization in order to achieve the common objectives of CITEL.
3. To identify organizations that influence telecommunication standards in the region and facilitate regional and global network interconnectivity and interoperability, with special emphasis on the body of standards established by the ITU-T.
4. To seek ways to enhance the work of PCC.I through the implementation of the Cooperative Agreements between CITEL with other standards bodies both regional and global.

Working Group on Advanced Network Technologies and Services

To develop frameworks, architectures and scenarios to foster the enhanced understanding of new network and related technologies in the region of the Americas, how they interrelate, and how they contribute to network and service convergence and evolution. In particular to focus on Next Generation Networks, Internet-related issues such as IP addresses, domain name management, broadband access and network security. Further to use such frameworks and scenarios to help identify required standards or existing applicable standards to facilitate interconnection and interoperability. To investigate, report on and raise awareness of new technologies and their application among the member states of the region.

Working Group on MRA and Certification Processes

To study the requirements of telecommunications equipment certification processes in each of the different CITEL countries, so analyses can be done to harmonize such certification processes in the region. Furthermore, to implement the Inter-American MRA and establish common procedures and processes for MRA implementation. This mandate includes cooperation with other regional bodies implementing similar MRAs and to the extent possible engagement in common implementation processes. To study and develop the themes related to certification of electronic signatures, on-line transaction security, and authentication of the actors in such transactions.

Working Group Economic Aspects and Tariff Principles

To promote coordination and information sharing among the Member States with respect to tariff and economic issues and to develop analyses relating to economic aspects and tariff principles of telecommunications services. These activities should take into consideration the relevant recommendations and studies being conducted by the ITU-T.

Working Group on Preparations for the World Conference on International Telecommunications

Recognizing the principal output of such a conference is the review of the International Telecommunication Regulations, the group will consider the agenda for the World Conference on International Telecommunications convened under the auspices of the ITU in order to promote the interests of member states from the Americas' Region in this international Forum.

Working Group on Preparations for the World Telecommunication Standards Assembly

To develop common CITELE proposals that will be submitted to World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly convened under the auspices of the ITU-T in order to promote the interests of the member states of the Americas' Region in this international Forum. Specifically the group will develop, among others, proposals on:

- a. Working methods and organization of the ITU-T,
- b. Mandate and priorities of the study groups of the ITU-T,
- c. Promotion and use of standards developed by the ITU-T, and
- d. Improvement in the distribution of the results of the work accomplished by the ITU-T.