

## **CITEL RES. 64 (V-10) <sup>1</sup>**

### **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PERMANENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES**

The Fifth Regular Meeting of the Assembly of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL),

#### **CONSIDERING:**

- a) That the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) is the specialized entity of the Organization of American States (OAS) in the field of telecommunications;
- b) That Article 5 of the Statute of CITEL authorizes its Assembly to establish any Permanent Consultative Committees (PCCs) it considers necessary to attain its objectives and fulfill its functions, which are contained in Article 3 thereof;
- c) That in accordance with the Regulations of CITEL, the Assembly shall define a specific mandate for each PCC; and
- d) That the Permanent Consultative Committees are the basis for the work done to implement the objectives and functions of CITEL,

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To rescind resolution CITEL RES. 55 (IV-06).
- 2. To establish the following Permanent Consultative Committees:
  - PCC.I: Telecommunications/Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)
  - PCC.II: Radiocommunications including Broadcasting
- 3. To establish the following objectives and mandates for the Permanent Consultative Committees:

#### **Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunications/ICT (PCC.I):**

##### **Objective**

To serve as an advisory committee of CITEL in the area of telecommunications/ICTs, especially in matters related to telecommunication/ICT policy, regulatory aspects, standardization, universal service, economic and social development, environment and climate change, and the development of infrastructure and new technologies.

To implement this objective, Permanent Consultative Committee I has the following mandates:

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**Mandates:**

In accordance with the relevant regulations, procedures, and recommendations of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU):

- a) To promote discussion of new technologies with a view to understanding how countries in the region are creating forward looking policy frameworks that stimulate infrastructure, innovation, and uptake of new services in an environment of legal security, and healthy competition, and evolving technological conditions and to develop recommendations.
- b) To encourage and promote the development of telecommunication/ICT infrastructure and services in the region.
- c) To promote coordination, planning, and harmonization among member states with regard to technical standards in general and service quality in coordination with relevant international standards.
- d) To promote the coordination, planning, and consensus among member states with respect to tariff and economic matters, as well as draw up recommendations on economic aspects and tariff principles of telecommunication/ICT services.
- e) To promote the coordination, planning, and consensus among member states with respect of technical standards and conformity assessment procedures.
- f) To encourage the creation and implementation of inter-American agreements on various matters.
- g) To promote and encourage the development and universalization of information and communication technologies (ICTs) and the new telecommunication/ICT services arising from them as tools to promote economic, social, and cultural development.
- h) To encourage and promote the development of convergent telecommunication/ICT networks and services based on the new technologies, taking account of their ongoing evolution.
- i) To understand environment and climate change-related issues and their linkage to ICTs, and to disseminate relevant information thereon to the Member States.
- j) To coordinate regional preparations for specific ITU events, as appropriate, such as the World Telecommunication Standardization Assemblies and the World Conferences on International Telecommunications, including the preparation of inter-American proposals (IAPs) and common positions, and to conduct interregional consultations in preparation for these events.
- k) To work in coordination with the different committees and working groups of CITEL in those areas which, by their nature, lend themselves to joint action.
- l) To encourage active participation by the private sector as associate members.

## **Permanent Consultative Committee II (PCC.II): Radiocommunications including Broadcasting**

### **Objective**

To serve as an advisory committee to CITEI, promoting the planning, coordination, harmonization, and efficient use of the radio spectrum, as well as geostationary and non-geostationary satellite orbits for radiocommunication services including broadcasting.

To implement this objective, Permanent Consultative Committee II has the following mandates:

### **Mandates:**

In accordance with the relevant regulations, procedures, and recommendations of the ITU:

- a) To promote among the Member States harmonization of the use of the radiofrequency spectrum, taking into account especially the need to prevent and avoid harmful interference, as well as protection against the electromagnetic environment.
- b) To promote and foster the development of radiocommunication services, including broadcasting, in the region.
- c) To promote the development and implementation of new technologies that enable the needs of Member States to be met in terms of efficient spectrum use.
- d) To encourage and promote the development of convergent telecommunication/ICT networks and services based on the new technologies, taking into account their ongoing evolution.
- e) To provide information to the Member States on the outputs and outcomes of the World Radiocommunication Conferences.
- f) To coordinate regional preparations for ITU World and Regional Radiocommunication Conferences, including the preparation of inter-American proposals (IAPs) and common positions, and to conduct interregional consultations in preparation for those conferences.
- g) To work in coordination with the different CITEI groups in those areas which, by their nature, lend themselves to joint action.
- h) To promote the efficient use of the radiofrequency spectrum and of satellite orbit resources in the region, based on the priorities and requirements of the Member States.
- i) To encourage active participation by the private sector as associate members.