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| Liaison statement from ITU-R Working Party 5D re: Recommendation M.2012 | | | | |
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Abstract

This document contains a liaison statement received from ITU-R Working Party 5D, regarding the schedule for updating Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 to revision 8.

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| LIAISON STATEMENT TO EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS  ON THE SCHEDULE FOR UPDATING  RECOMMENDATION ITU-R M.2012 TO REVISION 8 | |

Introduction

Working Party (WP) 5D thanks the relevant External Organizations for their on-going work in regard to the Revision 7 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 – *Detailed specifications of the terrestrial radio interfaces of International Mobile Telecommunications-Advanced (IMT-Advanced)* which will be available as a published ITU-R Recommendation.

Working Party 5D wishes to inform the relevant External Organizations that it is commencing the cycle for the development of the Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 and provides a detailed schedule for Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU‑R M.2012[[1]](#footnote-1).

Background

This liaison provides guidance on the revision procedure and the detailed step-by-step schedule to External Organizations regarding updates of the terrestrial radio interfaces in the development of Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 – *Detailed specifications of the terrestrial radio interfaces of International Mobile Telecommunications-Advanced (IMT-Advanced).*

Procedure

The procedure outlined in Document [IMT-ADV/25(Rev.2)](http://www.itu.int/md/R07-IMT.ADV-C-0025/en) – *Procedure for the development of draft revisions**of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012* applies to the development of this Revision 8.

Schedule

For the Revision 8 of RecommendationITU-R M.2012 a completion date of the WP 5D meeting #55, currently planned for June 2027, has been chosen.

Working Party 5D announces that the first formal meeting in the meeting cycle (*“Meeting Y”*) of the development of Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 will be WP 5D meeting #51, which is scheduled for 3-12 February 2026.

It should be noted that new technology proposals for IMT-Advanced will not be accepted in the updating of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012, applicable on a going forward basis beginning with the Revision 6.

The detailed timeline for the Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012 which accommodates the currently planned/anticipated schedule of meetings for WP 5D and Study Group 5 through the 2025 and 2027 time frame and some milestone activities/actions may be found in Document [IMT‑ADV/34](https://www.itu.int/md/R07-IMT.ADV-C-0034/en) *Schedule for Revision 8 of Recommendation ITU-R M.2012.* For convenience it is also enclosed as *Attachment*.

The dates in Document IMT-ADV/34 were developed considering not only the WP 5D and Study Group 5 dates but also with a view towards coordinating with the understood planned dates of the relevant External Organizations to the extent they were known[[2]](#footnote-2).

Some adjustment of these dates might be required to accommodate availability of facilities at specific venues in conjunction with the scheduling of the ITU-R WP 5D and Study Group 5 meetings. Every effort will be made to keep these dates as listed.

Document IMT-ADV/34 will be updated to accommodate such date changes and further correspondence with the External Organization could be forthcoming throughout the update cycle as warranted by the circumstances.

External Organizations are encouraged to consult the ITU-R IMT-Advanced web page (<http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/rsg5-imt-advanced/>) which may be updated dynamically to provide additional information.

Working Party 5D looks forward to the continued cooperation with the External Organizations in the on-going work on the IMT-Advanced terrestrial radio interfaces.

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1. Currently ITU-R and WP 5D is engaged in the completion of Revision 7 of M.2012 by the end of year 2025. The Revision 7 is not the subject of this liaison. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Confirmed meeting dates of WP 5D through 2025 to 2027 will be published on the ITU website (<http://www.itu.int/events/upcomingevents.asp?sector=ITU-R&lang=en>). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Developed by 3GPP as LTE Release 10 and Beyond (Long Term Evolution-Advanced). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Developed by IEEE as the WirelessMAN-Advanced specification incorporated in IEEE Std 802.16 beginning with approval of IEEE Std 802.16m. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)