SUMMARY

The WRC conferences take place every three to four years. The next one, WRC-23, will take place in the fourth quarter of 2023. The outcome of WRC-23 will result in an updating of the international spectrum framework, which is detailed in the Radio Regulations, an international treaty published and maintained by the International Telecommunication Union (a specialized agency of the United Nations).

Preparations for WRC-23 have been going on since the last WRC-19 concluded in Sharm-El-Sheikh in November 2019. While the ITU-R study groups are engaged in developing a draft report called the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) Report, Regional preparations are going on in all the three regions of the World. In Region 3, in Asia Pacific, the preparations are coordinated by the Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT). The APT Conference Preparatory Group for World Radiocommunication Conference (APG) has been developed into one of the most important activities of APT. APG was started in 1996 with the objective of harmonizing views and developing common proposals from the Asia-Pacific region for the World Radio Conference (WRC) and has met exemplary success in presenting the views of the region at WRCs. The 2nd meeting of APG will be held from 19th to 23rd April 2021.

To facilitate understanding of the key agenda items and issues that will be considered by the WRC-23 and to support national preparations for this global treaty level conference, ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) is organizing the first national workshop on WRC-23 on April 1,2021 from 03:00 PM Onwards.