

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS









Dear Respected Member,

ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) is delighted to share about the previous month's activities. IAFI also organized a dinner reception for the international delegates attending the 4th Meeting of the APT Preparatory Group for ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 22 (PP-22), which took place from 1st to 5th August 2022 in Bangkok, Thailand to promote Mrs. Revathi Mannepalli, Senior Deputy Wireless Advisor, Department of Telecommunication (DoT) as a candidate of the Republic of India for the post of Member ITU Radio Regulation Board (RRB). The dinner was hosted by he Indian Government.

A Conference by Cuts International on Identifying Elements of Ethical and Regulatory Framework for 6G and Creating Opportunities for India and Australia took place on 17th August Wednesday. Mr. Bharat B Bhatia, President, IAFI was a session panelist for this workshop and emphasized on "regional bodies play an important role in ITU-WRC conferences as they are tasked to propose common papers for the UN body. 6G is going to be a game changer as we talk about Internet of Senses and cognitive networks. Other session Panelist included Prof V Sridhar, Prof Jhunjhunwala, Gen. Kochhar, Mr. Mahesh Uppal, Mr. Deepak Maheshwari & Prof. NK Goyal.

Read on to discover how ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI), operates by supporting its members and objectives and building its community hand in hand.

MEDIA SHOWCASE: FOLLOWING ITEMS RELATING TO IAFI WERE COVERED IN THE MEDIA

- Asian countries to support India's candidate for ITU Regulation Board elections | Communications Today
- IAFI hosts global workshop on challenges & opportunities in Green Telecom | Telecom Magazine India (communicationstoday.co.in)
- Global UN body ITU adopts 6G mobile technology trends | Communications Today
- IAFI hosts World Wi-Fi Day celebrations | Communications Today
- 3GPP approves IAFI's 600 MHz band plan | Communications Today
- ITU global conference on telecom development starts in Africa | Communications Today
- 5G networks: IAFI seeks policy support to allocate spectrum for captive 5G networks, Telecom News, ET Telecom (indiatimes.com)
- <u>IAFI seeks policy framework for industrial, enterprise 4G/5G networks | Communications Today</u>
- A Summary outcome of World Radio Conference 2019 (WRC-19) & WRC-23 Outlook
- DoT Secretary tells stakeholders to increase participation in ITU activities
- IAFI Celebrates World Telecom & Information Society Day
- 5G and Beyond Towards 6G, An Industry Overview
- Revathi Mannepalli- Candidate of Republic of India for the Post of Member ITU Radio Regulation Board (RRB) Region E: Asia and Australia









UPCOMING IAFI EVENT



<u>Insights</u>



LINKS TO OUR ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMMES

1) APG23-4

2) DoT Consultation Paper

3) APT PP22-4, IAFI's India Dinner Reception

4) SG3RG-AO Contribution

5) TRAI's Consultation Paper

6) India's Spectrum Conundrums



IAFI MEMBERSHIP



The 14th Executive Council Meeting of ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) took place on 25th August as a hybrid meeting in IAFI office, New Delhi. The meeting reviewed the upcoming events and finalization of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will take place on the 28th October 2022. The EC meeting also welcomed the new individual and honorary members. A total of 7 Members have joined 6 individual lifetime member & 1 Honorary member. The EC Meeting also appreciated the well-received and successful completion of workshops such as the workshop on Green Telecom & World Wi-Fi Day. The meeting also recognised the exemplary work done by Ms. Aarush, GM IAFI in organising and managing the Dinner hosted by India at the APT Preparatory meeting for PP-22 in Bangkok, Thailand.

The benefits provided to the members include an invitation to all the events of the Foundation which include: Training programs, seminars, workshops, etc. conducted by the society on a complimentary basis, EC Members shall have access to information related to ITU and APT and other telecom journals where members can subscribe. Members are eligible to participate in ITU-T, ITU-D, and APT activities under our membership.

The individual Membership Fee of IAFI has been reversed to the previous fee that was applicable since the beginning.

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ACTIVITIES IN OUR FOCUS AREAS DURING AUGUST 22

WP5D is responsible for the overall radio system aspects of International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) systems, comprising IMT-2000, IMT-Advanced, IMT-2020 and IMT for 2030 and beyond, which will take place from 10th to 21st October. The Weekly Radio Group Meeting for the 42nd WP5D started this week. So far we have identified 11 documents for contribution and the work has been initiated with the help of core members team. ITU-T Study Group – 3 Regional Group meeting for Asia and Oceania (SG3RG-AO) took place from 9th-12th August 2022. The opening ceremony was graced by Shri. Devusinh Chauhan (MoS-C). ITU-APT Foundation of India, presented the new regional Technical Report on "Assessment of the socio-economic impact of Local Area Networks using technologies including Wi-Fi, NR-U on consumers in Asia and Oceania". This document was well received and supported by India, Republic of Nepal & Republic of Korea. The meeting was well attended by IAFI Secretariat & Members.

APG23-4 concluded on 20th August 2022, where the focus of the meeting was upon updating APT preliminary views on WRC-23 Agenda Items based on input contributions from APT Members & to review issues related to RA-23. Followed with a review of activities of other regional organizations, with a view to fostering inter-regional cooperation. The meeting was fruitful in nature. IAFI delegates along with DoT members actively participated in this meeting. IAFI is currently preparing inputs for the forthcoming AWG-30 (5th to 9th September) in order to develop possible contributions, the Weekly Radio group meeting on Thursday, reviewed a list of working documents 5 contributions have been identified and all documents will be finalized in the next weekly meeting. The meeting also agreed to submit joint contributions with other APT members.

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Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) held an Open House Discussion, (OHD) on 25th August 2022 at 11:00 am through video conference via Air Meet platform for the Consultation Paper on "Spectrum Requirements of National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC)" for Train Control System for RRTS Corridors. This consultation paper focuses on the assigning of spectrum and challenges regarding the same for rail networks operating in the overlapping geographical area, along with permission/licensing regime for operation of wireless networks for NCRTC. The delegates of IAFI actively participated in the OHD and supported the needs of RRTS and Metros. NCRTC, our Corporate member appreciated the support provided by the IAFI to their spectrum needs during the OHD.