

Bulgaria's Contribution to ITU Activities

Bulgaria became a member of the International Telecommunication Union - ITU (originally the Telegraph Union) in 1880, and since 1885 it has been actively taking part in its activity by strictly complying with the commitments made for the implementation of ITU's objectives to develop world telecommunication.

Highlights of Bulgaria's membership in ITU since 2010:

Bulgaria was elected Deputy Chair of the Permanent Committee on Administration and Management of the ITU Council.

Bulgaria took active part in the preparation of the World Radio Communication Conference (WRC-2012), which took place from 23 January to 17 February 2012 in Geneva.

In October 2012 Bulgaria hosted the second Regional Forum on Cyber Security for Europe and CIS, which was organized by ITU. Bulgarian representatives participated in:

the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-12), 20-19 November 2012, Dubai, UAE.

the World Conference on International Telecommunication (WCIT-12), in November and December 2012 in Dubai, UAE.

the Working Groups to the Council on international public policy on the Internet and on ITU's Constitution.

ITU's regional project for access to Internet services for visually impaired children.

ITU's initiative for International Multilateral Partnership against Cyber Terrorism (IMPACT), and cooperated for the cyber training within the framework of the Regional Cyber Security Forum for Europe and CIS (October 2012, Sofia).

In 2012 Bulgaria chaired the Informal group of experts on the preparation of the World Telecommunication Policy Forum (WTPF-13). Bulgaria regularly participates in the meetings of the Committee on ITU Policy (Com ITU), which is one of the three Committees of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunication Administrations.



Our vision:

Bulgaria ranks among the ten countries in the world with the fastest broadband connections in big cities and our goal is to develop effective cooperation in ITU Council and continue to share best practices and help overcome digital fragmentation of the regions in the world.

The transition to digital television is completed in our country and we are ready to share our experience in the implementation and the relevant challenges relating to this process with the other members of the Council that are about to proceed with this step.

The experience gained allows for Bulgaria to contribute to the development of telecommunications and the implementation of ITU programmes and initiatives in Region C, as well as the constant improvement of the activity of this leading UN agency.

