

PCC.I/RES. 92 (VIII-06) ¹

**WORKSHOP ON INTERCONNECTIVITY OF NEXT GENERATION NETWORKS:
CONSIDERING REGULATORY CHALLENGES**

The VIII meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunications,

HAVING SEEN:

That the next Meeting of the PCC.I will take place on September 12-15, 2006,

CONSIDERING:

- a) The International Telecommunication Union's (ITU) offer to conduct a joint ITU/CITEL Workshop on Monday, September 11, 2006 on "Interconnectivity of Next Generation Networks: Considering Regulatory Challenges", and
- b) That the final Agenda of this Workshop, as well as the selection of speakers, should be prepared by the ITU in coordination with the President of the Working Group on Technology,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

That the ITU has offered to pay for interpretation services and, possibly, for web casting of the event,

RESOLVES:

1. To conduct a joint ITU/CITEL Workshop the day before the opening of the IX Meeting of the PCC.I on "Interconnectivity of Next Generation Networks: Considering Regulatory Challenges", the Draft agenda of which has been attached to this document.
2. To request the Chair of the Working Group for Standards Coordination to coordinate with the ITU the final Agenda of the event.

INVITES:

All members to participate in this event.

INSTRUCTS THE SECRETARIAT OF CITEL:

To disseminate this event as much as possible.

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ANNEX TO RESOLUTION PCC.I/RES. 92 (VIII-06)

Workshop on Interconnection and Next Generation Networks: Addressing the regulatory challenges

11 September 2006

Draft Agenda

1. Introduction: What do we mean when we say NGN?
 - What's driving the move to NGN?
 - What's the difference between NGN Core and NGN Access networks?
2. How does NGN impact the regulatory framework?
 - What happens when the telecommunication regulatory framework meets the IP world?
3. How can we design regulatory frameworks to foster investment, innovation and affordable access to NGNs?
4. How to deal with the migratory phase from public switched telephone network (PSTN) and 2G mobile to NGN?
5. Is there a danger that the move to NGNs will result in the re-emergence of vertically integrated dominant monopoly operators?
6. Interconnection traffic flows—what can and cannot be measured and billed for in the NGN world?
7. NGN interconnection—based on regulatory intervention, or a hands-off approach of agreements between operators, service and application providers?
 - Bill & Keep
 - Peering
 - Transit
 - Calling Party Pays
 - What applies in the migration phase?
 - Does NGN solve the last mile access problem or not?
 - What are the NGN interoperability concerns?
8. What new kinds of market power does NGN enable? What old kinds of market power disappear in the NGN world?
9. Is there any reason to regulate end user tariffs in an NGN world?
 - What's the impact of bundled services on regulated tariffs?
 - Are flat rate tariffs good or bad for consumers?
10. Are we headed to a two-tiered internet? Does it make sense to allow flexibility in terms of pricing, service provisioning and quality options? Should NGN service providers be allowed to restrict access only to their affiliated sites?