

CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES FROM THE 27TH ASSEMBLIES

27TH EACO POSTAL ASSEMBLY

- 1) Put in place ecommerce policies, laws and regulatory frameworks to provide an enabling environment for ecommerce development.
- 2) Implementation of Harmonized national addressing system in EAC Region

27TH EACO TELECOM ASSEMBLY

- 1) Active Participation of members states in WRC-23 preparation meetings
- 2) Cross border frequency coordination when required to participate in verification exercise there is response and full participation
- 3) Participation of telecom operators in the activities of EACO is paramount
- 4) Collaboration and sensitisation in regard to introduction of Digital Sound Broadcasting (DSB)
- 5) Need for more experts in the different working Groups
- 6) Address budget constraint to enable member participation
- 7) Need for physical meetings
- 8) Develop QoS guidelines for Data Services
- 9) Interconnections issues especially on fiber and wireless connectivity. Limitation of agreements and capacity need to addressed
- 10) Focus on Cyber security
- 11) To provide rules and regulation of emerging technologies
- 12) Promote connectivity in Rural areas in the region

27th EACO BROADCASTING ASSEMBLY

- 1) Cross border Frequency coordination requires participation of both broadcasting and mobile operators
- 2) Participation in the work of WRC-23
- 3) Market survey of digital radio receiver availability and benchmark with other countries

- 4) Promote the development and deployment of DSB as a EAC region to promote conducive regulatory environment
- 5) Develop Regulation of Internet based/ online media platforms regulation for the East African Region to maintain broadcasting ethics
- 6) Promote infrastructure Sharing in the Broadcasting Industry
- 7) Determine Lesson learnt in the promotion of CAM (one decoder): Experience from Number portability
- 8) EAC countries to develop a regional Space Agency at EAC level
- 9) Concept paper for Cubesat Project was developed and is brought to the attention of the JWC
- 10) Involvement of Broadcasters by defining their role for active participation and discussing topical issues e.g. acquiring games right at affordable rates, artists rights
- 11) Secretariat to facilitate presentation of accomplished regulatory frameworks from EACO to the EAC to promote awareness to policy makers within EAC

27TH EACO REGULATORY ASSEMBLY

- 1) Regulators to engage Ministers from their countries to support the EACO's application on becoming an Institution of the EAC especially towards the Council of Ministers Meeting of EAC, which will congregate in November 2021.
- 2) Regulators/Operators to nominate a delegation of participants (e.g 2 - 5 members) to the working group, and also to be headed by Head of delegation, so that in the event of his/her absence, other members can represent the team/member country, so that there are no gaps in participation.
- 3) Regulators to continue encouraging Operators in their respective countries to participate in EACO activities, especially in working group meetings, workshops, and also pay their membership fees and sign the EACO Constitution.
- 4) The Secretariat to facilitate physical meetings and trainings for the finalization of the Working groups & Committees activities, since certain activities are better achieved with such interactions.
- 5) Member Countries to facilitate regular attendance of the same officers to attending the Working groups and Committee meetings for consistency and continuity.
- 6) Regulatory Assembly to Consider and Adopt the completed work documents as presented by the relevant Working groups and Committees.

- 7) Regulators and Operators to appoint staff who are experts on specific subjects being handled by Working Groups and Committees for easy execution of the strategic activities.