

27th EACO Telecom Assembly

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Way Forward for Telecom Assembly

- 1) Cross border forced roaming is still an existing problem.
 - a. Operators urged to fully participate in the activities of mitigating forced roaming.
 - b. MNOs to review and provide comment the updated Mechanism for Cross Border Coordination for Mobile
 - c. All participants and stakeholders urged to work together and collectively during the verification exercise
- 2) EACO Databank reports and harmonised statistics should be made available and shared
- 3) Members to provide timely feedback to Working group draft documents
- 4) Encourage participation in the Working groups including ensuring attendance of the right experts
- 5) Experts from Industry/ operators urged to participate actively in the Preparation for WRC-23. Identified agenda items are: Agenda Item 1.5 on review of IMT services in the band 470-694 MHz, and Agenda 1.2 consideration of IMT in the mid band/ C-band
- 6) OTT are aiding communication and bridging digital divide; there is however a need for a harmonised approach/framework for OTT
- 7) MNOs to participate in the management of e-waste through the following ways:
 - a. segregation of e-waste and establish collection center (take back mechanisms)
 - b. participate in national e-waste steering committee
 - c. Awareness campaigns
 - d. E-waste Survey
 - e. Disposal of e-waste to be done through licenced e-waste recyclers
- 8) Capacity building on emerging technologies
- 9) Encourage cooperation among EAC members and other international organisations