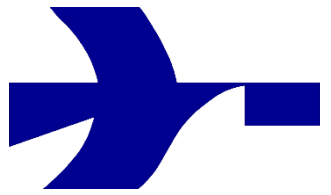


Overview of related Work Streams in the UPU

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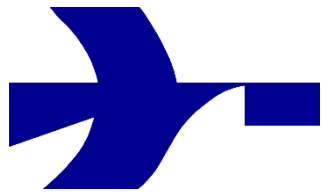
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Key Issue 1 - Update of IPP



Review and update of IPP(Con-Doc 35)

18 recommendations

Congress proposal of a
general nature 04 on IPP
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Proposals to Convention
(Tracked delivery
service)



- This document had already been approved for submission to Congress at S7.
- Any proposed changes were therefore to be limited to updating existing content.

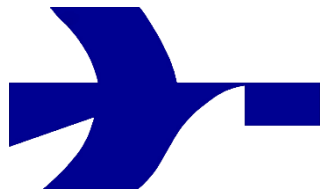


- At S9, POC/CA approved revision on the document to reflect the fact that the 27th Congress had been postponed by one year.
- The implementation dates of the IPP and its recommendations be postponed to 2022-2025.



- The draft Congress–Doc 35.Rev 1 (Integrated Product Plan) and Congress proposal of a general nature 04.Rev 1 will be submitted to the 27th Congress for approval.

Key Issue 2 - Update of IRP



Review and update of IRP(Con-Doc 36)

- Proposals on Integrated Remuneration System for 2022-2025
(proposed amendments to Convention and Regulations)
- Congress proposal of a general nature 05 on Integrated Remuneration Plan for next cycle

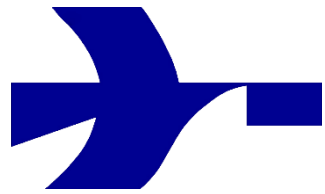
This document had already been approved for submission to Congress at S7.

At S9, POC/CA approved the changes to Congress–Doc 36 (Integrated Remuneration Plan) and changes to Congress proposals 20.28.1 and 25.30-104.1:

- Changes on the grace-period of Tracked delivery service for Group IV members;
- POC has authority to determine remuneration for ITMATT compliance and for returned undeliverable letter-post items.

The revised Congress–Doc 36.Rev 1 and revised Congress proposal will be submitted to the 27th Congress for approval.

Key Issue 3 - Important RIG Activities



POC approved a proposal to calculate and publish the provisional 2022 quality-linked terminal dues rates.



- 2022 provisional quality-linked TD rates will be calculated and published in accordance with the proposed amendments in IRS submitted for the 27th Congress.

POC approved to continue the phased approach to develop and implement remuneration scheme for ITMATT compliance.



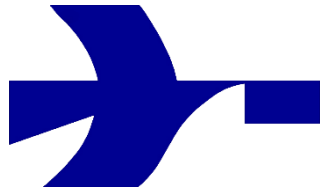
- Request the CG and OARG to conduct a review of the procedures for settlement for S10 non-compliance penalty and the ITMATT compliance reporting requirements .

POC endorsed the Congress proposal to amend Article 28bis.6quater for further submission to the 27th Congress.



- This proposal concerns what are the applicable E format TD rates on the reverse flow for DOs protected from paying self-declared rates to the U.S. (including groups II and III(\leq 25 tonnes) and group IV(\leq 100 tonnes)).

Key Issue 4 - QSG Decisions



Handling of force majeure related to COVID-19 pandemic

POC approved two proposals concerning ILR bouns system and SRP for registered, insured and tracked items:

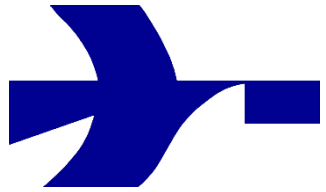
- The settlement for ILRs from 1 July to 31 December 2021 will be based on the reporting period prior to the pandemic (August 2019 to January 2020).
- For supplementary remuneration for registered, insured and tracked items, the performance results during Jan-Jun 2019 would be used in whole 2021.

UPU Global Monitoring System Technical Design

POC approved related recommendations for updating the UPU GMS Technical Design:

- Update the UPU GMS Technical Design in terms of re-weighting of inbound permanent links owing to low valid mail items, introduction of at least two permanent links for Level E design and so on.
- Revisions to be effective from 1 January 2021.

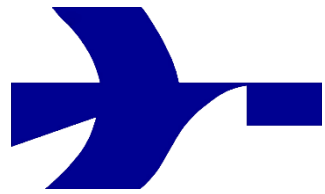
Key Issue 5 - Future of QLUG



Future organization of the activities currently carried out by the QLUG

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- **At S6**, POC decided to submit a proposal to the 27th Congress to continue the financing of QS Link activities through the regular budget , thus QLUG may cease to exist in future and the activities currently attributed to the QLUG need to be assumed by a standing group.
 - **At S9**, POC agreed on two recommendations concerning the future organization of QLUG activities:
 - Op A: allocation of QS Link activities to a new standing group
 - Op B: transfer and allocation of QLUG activities to the QSG
 - **At S9**, POC approved Convention Regulations proposal on reporting and validation for QS-linked TD remuneration.
 - **At S9**, POC approved the next steps forward(organization of structure will be decided on the POC after Congress).

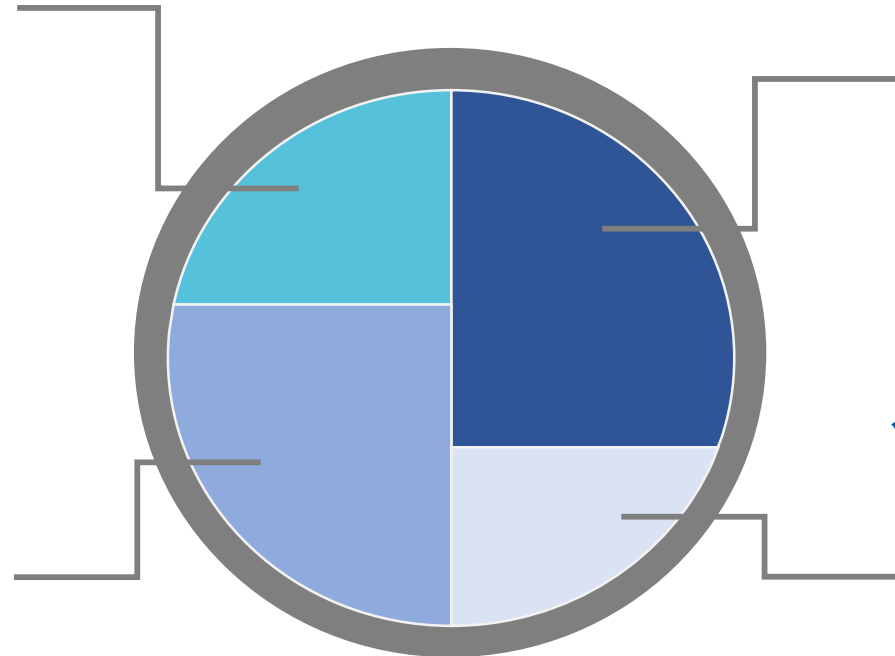
Key issue 6 - UPU Multilateral Data-sharing Agreement



□ The POC examined the latest version of the UPU multilateral data sharing agreement and adopted the MDSA with minor adjustment.

✓ **Intention:** aimed at dealing with the electronic exchange of data associated with postal activities, so as to enable or facilitate the exchange of EAD among Union members and their DOs.

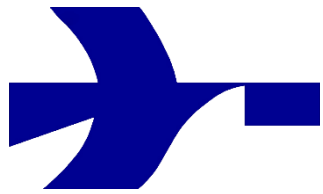
✓ **Version:** the first draft was presented at S4, after several consultations, the latest version includes adjustment in response to comments/suggestions submitted by members/DOs.



✓ **Legal effect:** the MDSA could not supersede other data-sharing agreements already in place without the agreement of both parties involved.

✓ **Join:** non-mandatory, DOs are invited to join the MDSA and contribute to the development of evolving global framework for the sharing of international postal data.

Key Issue 7 - Electronic Advance Data (EAD)



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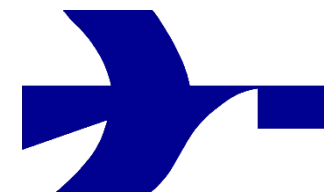
- ◆ The POC reviewed the work accomplished in advancing the goals of the EAD roadmap, including UPU Regulations amendments, MDSA to facilitate EAD, regional workshops on EAD, IT updates, etc.
- ◆ The POC agreed on the recommended ways forward , especially focus on studies regarding:
 - flow 4/4+ referrals responding to ITMATT
 - conversion of messages between DOs and Airlines
 - awareness raising and capacity building activities



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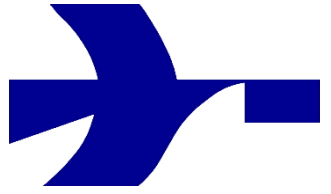
- ◆ The POC reviewed a concept paper on handling EAD requirements for items sent in transit (closed transit, open transit, transshipment and missent or misrouted items).
- ◆ The POC took note of the need for a transversal joint expert team to review (amend if appropriate) current UPU Regulations regarding open transit of letter-post, missent and misrouted items.

Key issue 8 - Amendments to Convention Regulations



Subjects	Related Proposals (totally 27 proposals)	Implementation date
Updates to the UPU Convention Regulations to include surface transport	17-133, 17-142, 17-227, 17-231, 17-112, 27-101, 17-214 , 27-202, New article17-009, New article17-010, Form CN 46	1 January 2022
Quarterly settlement of non-sampled flows	34-007bis, 34-010, 34-011, Form CN 71, Form CN 71bis	1 September 2021
Transit charges: terminal dues increments	27-106, 33-106(to be renumbered 27-110)	1 January 2022
Calculation of cost-to-tariff ratio for DOs applying Convention Article 28bis.6ter	30-121	1 January 2022
Quality of service-linked terminal dues remuneration. Reporting and validation	30-110bis	1 January 2022
International reply coupons (IRCs).	Prot. article R XXIII, Prot. article R XXIV, Form CN 02bis, Form CN 01, Form CN 03bis, Form CN 03	1 September 2021/ 1 January 2022
Parcel mail: preparation of accounts	34-013	1 September 2021

* For further information please refer to the IB Circular 84/2021.



THANKS