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Abstract

We have investigated number, locations and structure of Capacity Building Centres (CBCs) organization, which was agreed to be established at World Telecommunication Union's (WTU) Council Meeting held in October 2014. This contribution proposes an approach to issues as the result of our consideration.

Discussion

Number of CBCs:

We first considered the location of CBCs. Because of restricted funds and human resources we considered that CBCs would be established in 2 places.

Location of CBC's:

For more information about location, it is important that Ghana and other African region are easily able to dispatch our trainees to the CBCs. It is desirable that convenience of transportation and environmental aspects of accommodation, security and hygiene during the training period are guaranteed. In addition, it would be desirable to build sufficient communication environment and to maintain the facilities.

As the result of our consideration, it is appropriate that one of CBCs is established in European region.

Structure of CBC:

One of the objectives of CBC is a practical use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in developing countries including Ghana. Thus, the CBC Committee is required to collect needs from developing countries and to endeavour to realize there needs. To do so, CBC that accepts trainees from Ghana is desired to choose curriculum and operation by itself.

On the other hand, disparity of the curriculum and necessary update of the equipment in aligned with the evolution of ICT development between the two CBCs should not be allowed.

Committee should consists of one high-level management function and two regional functions for each region's CBC.

Common areas include the status of the operation and evaluation of two of CBCs, development/maintenance of curriculum and the equipment, administrative management of CBC's common matter.

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In addition, regional matters include the operation of each CBC, collection and evaluation of needs from Ghana and other countries, who dispatch trainees, and improvement of the administration based on those needs.

Positions:

We believe that it is most suitable to place a Chairperson and three Vice-Chairpersons. Two of Vice-Chairpersons have responsibility for management of each CBC. One more Vice-Chairperson manages curriculum and equipment, total of 3 Vice-Chairpersons in the CBC Committee.

It would be appropriate that Vice-Chairpersons of the committee who has responsible for each CBC are elected from developing countries. Because the mission of these Vice-Chairpersons are to hear the requirement for operations closely from developing countries that send trainees, and to take action to improve operation, they are suitable to be elected from the same region that dispatch trainees.

It would be desirable to place a Secretary-General to assistant the CBC committee and Secretary of each CBC in charge.

Conclusion

We propose the followings.

- CBCs should be established in 2 places.
- To establish one of CBCs in European region.
- To place a Chairperson and three (3) Vice-Chairpersons.
Two (2) Vice-Chairpersons who has responsibility for management of each CBC. It would be appropriate that two (2) of Vice-Chairpersons elected from developing countries.
One more Vice-Chairperson who manages curriculum and equipment.
- To place a Secretary-General as an assistant of the CBC committee and Secretaries of each CBC in charge.

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