

On the road to Doha for the Plenipot-26 European Preparations

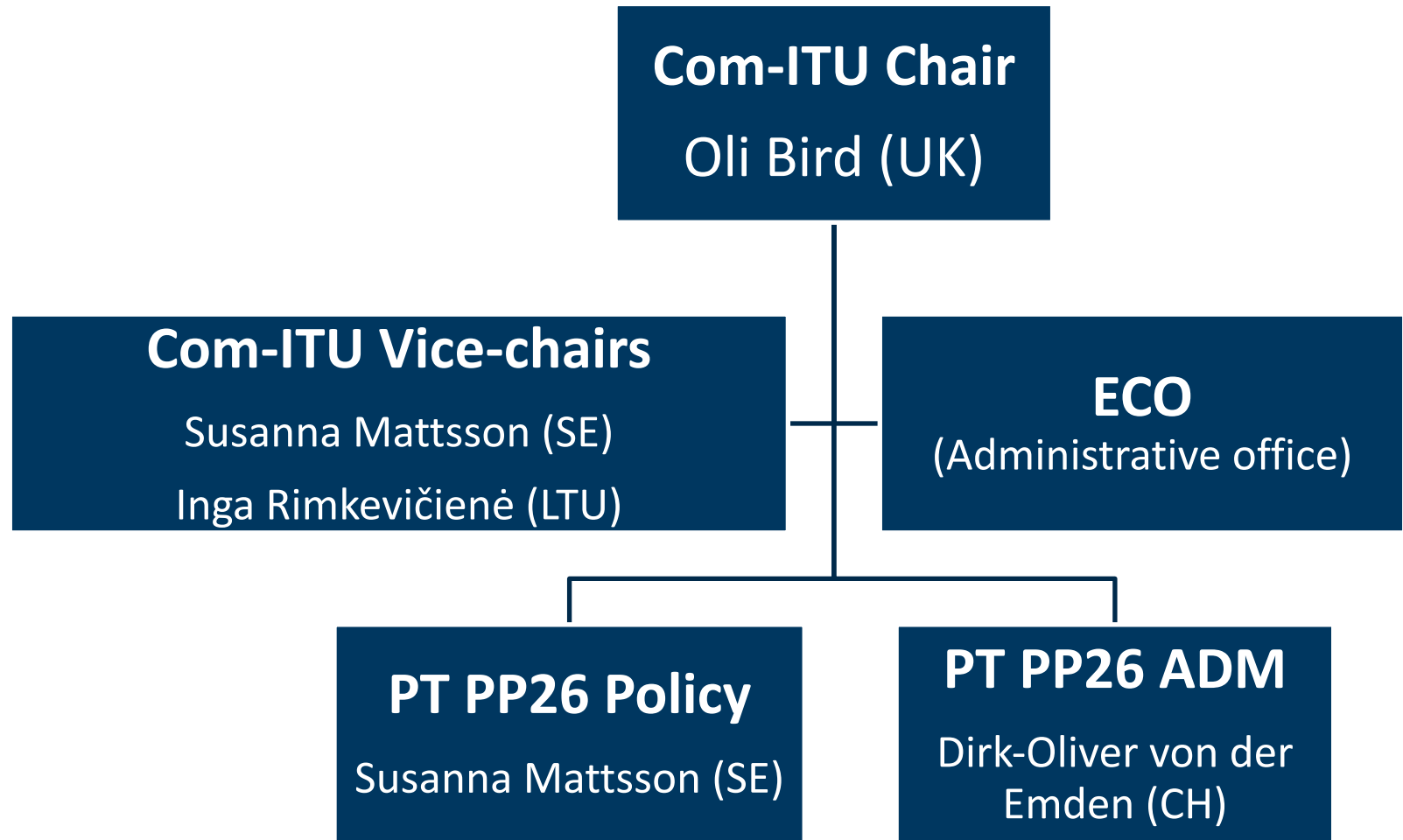
Susanna Mattsson, PT PP26 Policy Chair

- CEPT structure and preparation process for PP-26
- Preparations for ITU Plenipotentiary 2026
- Upcoming meetings for Com-ITU

- European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (*Conférence Européenne des administrations des Postes et des Télécommunications* - CEPT) was established in 1959
- CEPT comprises 46 member countries: Albania, Andorra, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of North Macedonia, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom and Vatican City

Committee for ITU Policy

Structure for PP26



European Common Proposal (ECP)

Definition of a European Common Proposal (ECP)

An ECP is a multi-country proposal to which the Working Procedures for CEPT Coordination apply.

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As a general guideline an ECP would not be approved by the responsible Com-ITU entity unless there were at least 10 CEPT members indicating their intention to co-sign it, and not more than 6 opposing the proposal going forward as an ECP.

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Any CEPT Member which is obliged to voice objections or submit alternative proposals to an ECP should inform the responsible Com-ITU entity of its intentions and should, nevertheless, cooperate with the other CEPT Members during ITU meetings to develop a common consensus.

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ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026

9-27 November Doha, Qatar

www.pp.itu.int/2026/en/
www.pp26-doha.gov.qa



Structure of the PP-Conference

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BASED ON
ITU PLENIPOOTENTIARY CONFERENCE - 2022

| COMMITTEE 1 | COMMITTEE 2 | COMMITTEE 3 | COMMITTEE 4 | COMMITTEE 5 | COMMITTEE 6 | WORKING GROUP OF THE PLENARY (WG-PL) |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Steering Committee | Credentials | Budget | Editorial | Policy and legal issues | Administration and management | Issues related to public policies |
| <i>Statutory (GR 12.1)</i> | <i>Statutory (GR12.2)</i> | <i>Statutory (GR 12.3)</i> | <i>Statutory (GR 12.4)</i> | <i>Substantive</i> | <i>Substantive</i> | <i>Substantive</i> |

Snapshot at CEPT Brief

Com-ITU

| TOPIC | CO-ORDINATOR | SUPPORTED BY | RESOLUTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS | RELEVANT ECP, CO-ORDINATOR |
|----------------------------|---|--|------------------------------|--|
| Strategy and Vision | Inga Rimkevičienė (Lithuania) Oli Bird (United Kingdom) | Rafal Bartoszewski (Poland) Beatrice Covassi (European Commission) | | ECP 01_CEPT Vision for ITU-D Inga Rimkevičienė (LTU) <i>Supp.</i> Oli Bird (UK) ECP 03_WTDC Declaration Eva Minarikova (CZE); <i>Supp.</i> Cristiana Flutur (ROU); Louis Morilhat (F) ECP 11_Draft Action Plan Teddy Woodhouse (UK) <i>Supp.</i> Inga Rimkevičienė (LTU) Blanca Gonzalez (ESP); Frederic Sauvage (F) |
| Internet and WSIS | Dominique Lazanski (United Kingdom) Lucien Castex (France) | Paul Blaker (United Kingdom) Maarten Hogewoning (The Netherlands) Martin Ruediger (European Commission DG CNECT) | Res. 23, 30, 63, 80, 82 | ECP 19_MOD Res 23 Dominique Lazanski (UK) ECP 20_MOD Res 30 Dominique Lazanski (UK) ECP 24_MOD Res 63 Dominique Lazanski (UK) ECP 29_MOD Res 82 Dominique Lazanski (UK) |
| Cybersecurity | Nicole Darabian (United Kingdom) | Filipe Jones Mourao (European Commission) | Res. 45, 69 | ECP 23_MOD Res 45 Nicole Darabian (UK) ECP 26_MOD Res 69 Nicole Darabian (UK) |

What is Europe trying to achieve at PP?

1. accelerate progress in developing **meaningful connectivity to all**
2. embrace **future telecommunications/ICT opportunities and challenges, including those arising from new and emerging technologies**, taking into account the ITU's mandate, expertise and capacity
3. promote **human-centric approaches** and champion inclusion in terms of **gender, youth**, and other people in vulnerable situations
4. promote **results-based management, financial discipline and organisational transparency**
5. secure **more efficient working methods** and **improve accessibility to ITU meetings and processes** to enable greater participation of member states, industry and other stakeholders
6. enhance the impact of the ITU in facilitating the **Sustainable Development Agenda**, WSIS+20 and the relevant commitments in the Global Digital Compact
7. increase **cooperation and partnership** with other parts of the UN system and with other stakeholders, reducing duplication and promoting collaborative approaches rather than the ITU acting alone



Examples of policy related issues at PP

- WSIS + SDGs
 - Res 139 Deployment of future networks in dev. Countries (REV)
 - Res 140 ITU's role in implementing WSIS outcomes and SDG (REV)
 - Res 200 Connect 2030 Agenda for global telecom/ICTs, incl. broadband for development
- Internet related issues
 - Res 101 IP-based networks (REV)
 - Res 102 ITU's role reg. international public policy issues pertaining to Internet
 - Res 133 Role of admins of ms in management of internationalized domain names
 - Res 179 ITU's role in child online protection
 - Res 180 Promoting deployment of IPv6
- User issues
- Emerging communications and disaster prevention
- Climate change and sustainability
- Space activities
- Development issues

Progress this far

- Concluded discussion on CEPT Priorities for PP26
- Three ECPs agreed:
 - NOC, Resolution 131 (Measuring ICTs...)
 - NOC, Resolution 206 (OTTs)
 - NOC, Resolution 215 (Pandemics)
- PT Policy progressed a number of topics including ITRs, Satellite, Internet issues, Cybersecurity (ECP drafting underway)
- PT ADM progressed a number of topics including ITU Strategic Plan, IMAC, Regional Presence (work will accelerate after Council)

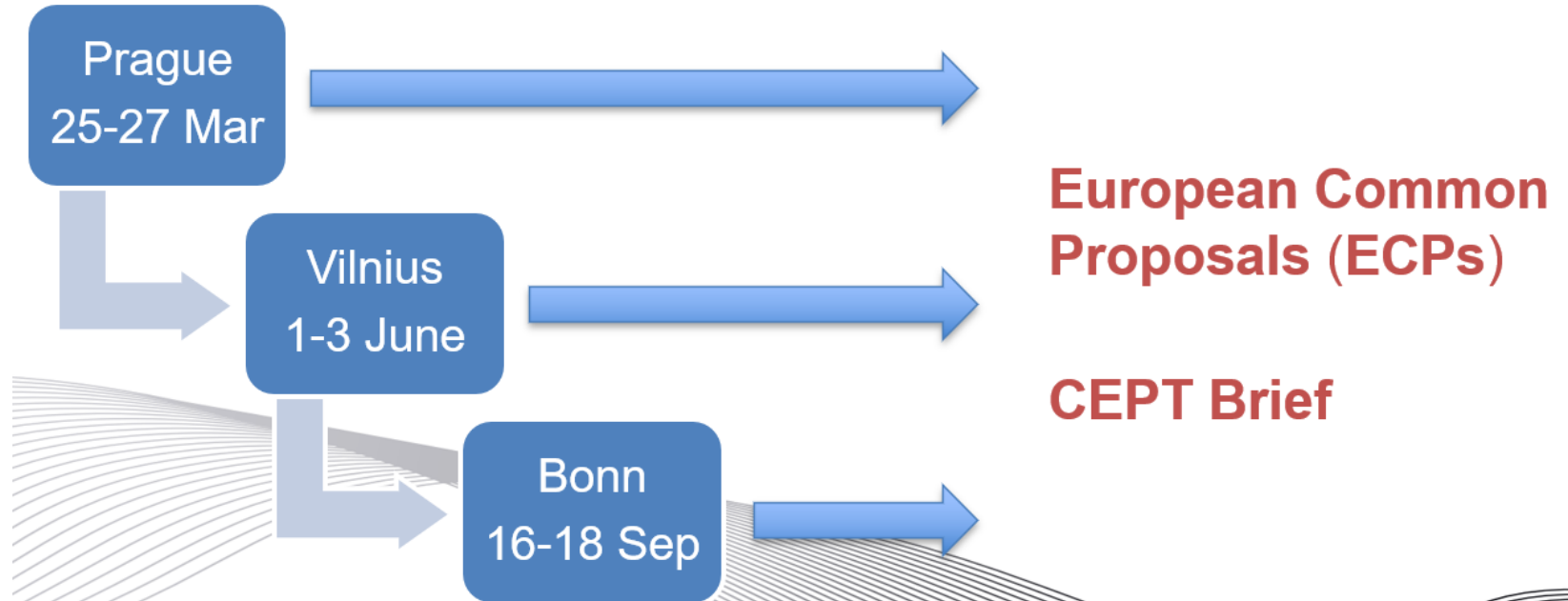


A number of topics are likely to be highly contested...

- Satellite
- International telecom regulations (ITRs)
- Submarine Cable Resilience
- Cyber Security
- AI
- IMT-2030 (6G)
- Climate Change
- Internet
- WTPF
- Online platforms (OTTs)

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Upcoming meetings

- 1-3 June 2026
Com-ITU (including PT ADM and PT Policy)
Vilnius, Lithuania (including virtual participation and candidate presentations for the Elected Official positions)
- 16-18 September 2026
Com-ITU (including PT ADM and PT Policy)
Bonn, Germany (including virtual participation)

Welcome to join our meetings, in person or joining remotely, and we'd also welcome discussions on specific topics – please contact us.

Further information

Com-ITU general information

<https://cept.org/com-itu/>

Com-ITU Plenary

<https://cept.org/com-itu/groups/com-itu/client/introduction/>

PT ADM

<https://www.cept.org/com-itu/groups/com-itu/pt-pp26-adm/client/introduction/>

PT Policy

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Thank you!

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