

POSTAL OPERATIONS COUNCIL
List of organizations to be invited to the POC meetings as observers and ad hoc observers
(Agenda item 19)

| 1 Subject | References/paragraphs |
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| Submission to the POC of the list of organizations that could be invited to the POC sessions as observers and ad hoc observers. | §§ 1 to 2 |
| 2 Decision expected Take note of the list of organizations that could be invited to the POC sessions as observers and ad hoc observers for the 2013–2016 period. | § 3 |

1 According to article 105¹ of the 2012 Doha Congress General Regulations and article 3 of the Rules of Procedure of the POC, the Council admits a number of observers to attend its plenary and committee meetings, which are listed in this document.

I. Observers (article 105 of the General Regulations (GR))

A. *United Nations (article 105.1.1.1 of the GR)*

B. *Restricted unions (article 105.1.1.2 of the GR)*

- African Postal Union (APU)
- Arab Permanent Postal Commission (APPC)²
- Asian-Pacific Postal Union (APPU)
- Association of European Public Postal Operators (PostEurop)
- Association of Post Office and Telecommunications Operators from the Portuguese-speaking Countries and Territories (AICEP)
- Baltic Postal Union (BPU)
- Caribbean Postal Union (CPU)
- Conference of Posts and Telecommunications of Central Africa (COPTAC)
- European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT)
- Mediterranean Postal Union (MPU)

¹ Article 104 of the Geneva General Regulations, which remain in force until the end of 2013.

² Organization with which the UPU has concluded an agreement or memorandum of understanding.

- Nordic Postal Union (NPU)
- Pan African Postal Union (PAPU)
- Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (PUASP)²
- Regional Commonwealth in the field of Communication (RCC)
- Southern Africa Postal Operators Association (SAPOA)
- West African Postal Conference (WAPC)

C. Members of the Consultative Committee (article 105.1.1.3 of the GR)

- Digital Europe
- Federation of European Direct and Interactive Marketing (FEDMA)
- Global Envelope Alliance (GEnA)
- Global Express Association (GEA)
- International Mailers' Advisory Group (IMAG)
- Interactive Media and Retail Group (IMRG)
- International Post Corporation (IPC)
- International Publisher and Postal Association (IPPA)
- Latin American Association of Private Posts and Postal Operators (ALACOPP)
- UNI Global Union
- World Blind Union (WBU)
- Xplor International

D. Other observers (article 105.1.1.4 of the GR, entities sanctioned by Congress)

- African Union (decision C 92/1974)
- League of Arab States (resolution C 7/1979)
- Palestine (resolution C 115/1999)
- European Union (resolution C 78/2012)

II. Ad hoc observers (article 105 of the General Regulations)

2 Further, in accordance with the above-mentioned article, the POC may invite the ad hoc observers listed below for specific meetings where this is in the interests of the work of the Council. Ad hoc observers will be invited following consultation with the Secretary General and Chairman of the POC and, if required, with the chairman of the body concerned.

E. Specialized agencies, funds and programmes in the United Nations system

- International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)²
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)²
- International Labour Organization (ILO)
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU)²
- United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

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- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)²
 - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
 - United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
 - United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
 - World Bank Group²
 - World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- F. Other UN-related organizations*
- International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)²
 - World Trade Organization (WTO)
- G. Intergovernmental organizations*
- European Commission (EC)
 - International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)²
 - International Organization for Migration (IOM)²
 - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
 - World Customs Organization (WCO)²
- H. Other international bodies, any association or enterprise or any qualified person*
- i Institutions/development banks working at regional level:*
- African Development Bank (AfDB)
 - Andean Development Corporation (CAF)
 - Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)
 - Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)
 - Asian Development Bank (ADB)
 - Bank of Central African States (BEAC)
 - Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)
 - Central African States Development Bank (BDEAC)
 - Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC)
 - Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)
 - Central Bank of West African States (BCEAO)
 - Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)²
 - East African Development Bank (EADB)
 - Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)
 - Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
 - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
 - European Investment Bank (EIB)
 - Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
 - Islamic Development Bank (IDB)

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- National Investment Bank (Cairo)
- Nordic Development Fund (NDF)
- OPEC Fund for International Development
- West African Development Bank (BOAD)
- West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA)

ii Other international organizations or entities with which the UPU has a working relationship:

- Allies Computing
- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Communications Regulators' Association of Southern Africa (CRASA)
- Conference of Commonwealth Postal Administrations (CCPA)²
- Consultative Group to Assist the Poor
- East African Communications Organization (EACO)
- Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne²
- Eurogiro
- European Academy of Philately
- European Addresses Infrastructure (EURADIN)
- European Committee for Standardization (CEN)
- European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI)²
- GS1²
- International Air Transport Association (IATA)²
- International Association of Philatelic Journalists (AIJP)
- International Confederation for Printing and Allied Industries (INTERGRAF)
- International Federation of Airline Pilots' Associations (IFALPA)
- International Federation of Philately (FIP)
- International Federation of Stamp Dealers' Associations (IFSDA)
- International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)²
- International Publishers Association of Postage Stamp Catalogues (ASCAT)
- PlaNet Finance
- United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)
- United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA)
- World Savings Banks Institute (WSBI)

3 Members of the POC are invited to take note of the list of organizations that could be invited to the POC sessions as observers and ad hoc observers for the 2013–2016 period.

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