

UPU CA Matters Working Group

ASIAN-PACIFIC POSTAL UNION CONGRESS

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Council of Administration Plenary

- The last CA Plenary was held on Friday 20 May.
- Mr. Issac Gnamba-Yao from Cote d'Ivoire, Chairman of CA chaired the Plenary.

The main items on the CA S1 Plenary agenda were:

- Key issues relating to the CA committees
- Proposed amendment to the CA Rules of Procedure to permit hybrid participation on a permanent basis
- Progress of the work of the task force on the opening up of the UPU to wider postal sector players

Committee 1 (Governance and Management of the Union)



- Spain and Kenya co-chaired the meeting.
- The main issues included:
 - Highlights of the UPU's unaudited financial results for 2021,
 - Reports of the internal audit committee and the external audit,
 - IB's human resource management and
 - Changes to the IB's organizational structure.

Committee 2 (Postal policy and regulation)



Co-Chairs (Canada and Egypt), highlighted the issues addressed.

- An innovative way of organizing the work of Committee 2 during the 2022–2025 cycle by:
 - Devising a vision statement
 - Connecting the various workstreams under the purview of the Committee to six thematic work pillars, as below:
 - The USO and postal regulatory reform;
 - Digital transformation and e-trade;
 - Governance and compliance issues;
 - Sustainable postal services;
 - Inclusive financial services;
 - Public-private partnerships.

Committee 3 (Strategy, Postal Economics and Markets)



Co-Chairs (Uruguay and Zambia) highlighted the topics including:

- UPU Strategy Implementation Report
- Revised Abidjan Business Plan
- UPU official postal statistics,
- Economic research activities by the UPU, and
- Latest trends in the world economy and the postal sector.



Committee 4 (Development Cooperation and Technical Assistance)

Co-Chairs (Belarus and Qatar) highlighted the issues including:

- The structure, composition and work program of CA Committee 4
- The global development cooperation strategy
- Disaster risk management
- Emergency assistance and other Japan Fund activities
- The Financial Inclusion Technical Assistance Facility (FITAF)
- Post4Health activities



Update on the CA Rules of Procedure

- According to the provisions of article 108.1 of the General Regulations, the CA draws up its Rules of Procedure.
- At its constituent meeting in Abidjan, the new CA adopted the Rules of Procedure of the former CA, with a number of amendments, to take immediate account of the principal changes made by Congress.
- Following the recent practice of allowing remote participation on a temporary basis, the Rules of Procedure have been amended to permit this practice on a permanent basis.



Task force on the Opening up of UPU to wider postal sector players

- The Abidjan Congress adopted resolutions C 11/2021 and C 12/2021, which respectively instructed the Union's bodies to continue work on proposals aimed at engaging in "further reform and opening of the Union to wider postal sector players" and holding "an Extraordinary Congress in 2023.
- At its November 2021 session, the CA formed a new task force (TF) to carry out the mandate from Congress on opening up.
- A first version of the TF's terms of reference (TOR) was presented at that session (document CA 2021.2–Doc 18).
- After deliberating on the matter, the CA eventually took note of the document, and approved the establishment of the TF and its associated TOR, with its duration extended to the 2023.1 session (S3).
- CA approved the designation of Algeria and the United States of America as Co-Chairs.



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