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**Joint Coordination Activity on Management (JCA-Mgt)**  
**Report to Study Group 2**

**Proposed actions by Study Group 2:**

The JCA-Mgt proposes to Study Group 2:

- to note this report;
- to approve the termination of the Joint Coordination Activity on Management.

**1. Introduction**

The Joint Coordinating Activity on Management (JCA-Mgt) was rechartered by Study Group 2 in November 2010 with the task to coordinate management standardization work inside and outside of the ITU-T.

The JCA-Mgt was initially established by ITU-T Study Group 4. Since October 2008, the JCA-Mgt is operating under the responsibility of ITU-T Study Group 2. As stated in the terms of reference, the JCA-Mgt is expected to report about its activities to Study Group 2.

**2. Activities since November 2010**

Already in the previous reporting period, November 2009 - November 2010, a decline in the attendance of the JCA-Mgt meetings was observed. In the report to the November 2010 meeting of Study Group 2, it was stated:

“As reported in clause 4.2, no contributions were made to the construction of the Roadmap. During the JCA-Mgt meetings it became clear that there is not enough support to further this

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initiative. This implies that the active role in steering the programs in the represented organizations cannot be fulfilled.

For the operation of the JCA-Mgt this means that its current role is mainly to be a platform where information about management standards activities in the represented organization and about harmonization activities is shared.

Although this means that the role of the JCA-Mgt is reduced with respect to its original aim, the information sharing role is perceived by the participants as having enough value to be continued.”

After November 2010, it appeared that the decline in interest in the activities of the JCA continued. Only a single meeting was held during this period, per conference call, on 4 May 2011, which was devoted to a discussion on the future of the JCA-Mgt. This meeting was attended by 4 participants, representing 4 (out of a total of 17) standards organizations.

During that meeting, the convener indicated that he was considering to propose to Study Group 2 that the JCA-Mgt be terminated if no strong support would be shown for continuation of the activity. The convener indicated also that he is planning to step down in June 2011.

Some of the participants expressed their support for the continuation of the activity as a platform for exchange of information; no volunteers stepped forward to assume the convener’s role.

The report of the 4 May meeting was distributed to the JCA-Mgt mailing list; in the cover letter the convener asked again the participants’ attention to the situation; however, this message did not elicit proposals on possible ways to continue the activity.

### **3. Summary and proposal**

Summarizing the situation:

- it appears that there is not enough support from the participants in the JCA-Mgt to justify continuation of this activity;
- as from the end of the June 2011 Study Group 2 meeting, no convener will be available.

This leads to the proposal to Study Group 2 to terminate the JCA-Mgt.

### **4. Future coverage of JCA-Mgt tasks**

The coordinating function for the work on telecommunication management *inside* ITU-T, in support of the role of Study Group 2 as the lead Study Group for this area, will be continued by Question 12/2.

Support for, and coordination of cooperation or harmonization activities in the area of telecommunication management between groups inside ITU-T and standards development organizations and/or fora *outside* ITU-T, if needed, will be provided by Question 8/2.

### **5. Proposed actions**

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