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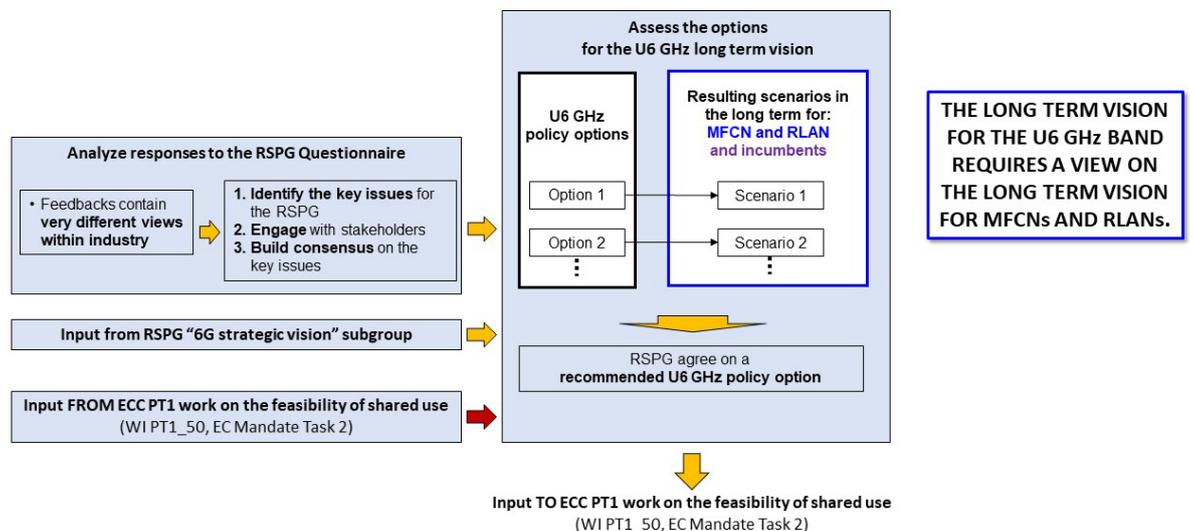
Progress Report of RSPG SG Long-term vision for the upper 6 GHz band

Since the 64th RSPG MEETING held on 18 June 2024, the Subgroup has met twice, a virtual session (2.9.2024) and a hybrid session (10.10.2024) at BIPT in Brussels. Representatives from numerous countries are participating in the work activities of the group:

AT, BE, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EL, ES, FI, FR, HR, HU, IE, IT, LIE, LU, MNG, MT, NL, NO, PL, PT, SE, SI, TR, UA, and the European Commission & ECO.

- 1) The group adopted proposal for the RSPG next steps:

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- 2) Following the RSPG#64 plenary meeting, a questionnaire was distributed to stakeholders regarding the long-term vision for the upper 6 GHz band. The group analysed the feedback. Stakeholders expressed divergent views on many issues concerning MFCN and WAS/RLAN, clustering around two main perspectives, one pro MFCN and another pro WAS/RLAN. Further discussions could be necessary to agree on what valuable information taken from the responses can support RSPG in building its own view, and also further engagement with stakeholders might be necessary for some certain questions.
- 3) The group agreed to make all non-confidential responses publicly available. The response from GSOA will be considered for information, although it was submitted after the extended deadline without requesting a further extension.
- 4) Sweden provided an input document with proposals for new texts in chapters 5, 6 and 7 of the draft opinion.
- 5) Portugal proposed an evaluation matrix that could help the Member States to evaluate spectrum scenarios for the upper 6 GHz band. The group agreed to focus only on the long-term scenario (from 2030 onwards), aligning with the group's mandate to establish a long-term vision for the upper 6 GHz band. It was also agreed to continue discussions in future meetings regarding the content of the matrix and how it may be utilized in developing the Opinion.
- 6) Several inputs were provided on the draft opinion at both meetings. France provided a short summary of the questionnaire, Germany, together with the Netherlands, provided a summary for the draft opinion, which was subsequently commented on by Sweden, Lithuania, Italy, and Slovenia. All documents will be incorporated into

the draft opinion at the next meeting, where further developed will continue. In addition, the group agreed to further analyse the spectrum demand for MFCN and WAS/RLAN, and Germany submitted a document after the meeting which will be further analysed at the next meeting.

- 7) Germany informed the group, that CRAF will conduct RAS studies, including clutter analysis, for RAS sites in Europe operating within in the upper 6 GHz band. In order to have all elements to help the development of the RSPG opinion, France will prepare an input for ECC to stress the urgency for CEPT to develop deliverables regarding the protection of radio astronomy and some other services, as appropriate.
- 8) The next meeting will be hybrid: scheduled for 5 December 2024 in Brussels.
- 9) The group proposed an extension of the deadline for the final opinion till November 2025.

Proposed Modification of the Schedule

Draft Opinion for Public consultation: February 2025 -> June 2025

Final Opinion: June 2025 -> November 2025

RSPG is invited to:

1. To take note of this Progress Report
2. Invite MS to participate in the discussion