

Radio Regulation Board (RRB)

South Africa's Candidate for re-election
as a member of the RRB



Mr. Samuel Mandla Mchunu



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EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Mchunu has more than 22 years' experience in Radiocommunications and Telecommunications in general. He was part of the team that made contributions to the development of the first South African National Radio Frequency Bands Replanning exercise in 1996 and its subsequent revisions to the current National Radio Frequency Plan 2018. He served on the committees of the then Telecommunications Regulatory Associations of Southern Africa (TRASAs) which developed the Harmonized Radio Frequency plans for Southern African countries.

Mr. Mchunu was part of a Radio Frequency Spectrum Coordinating Committee which developed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with neighbouring countries dealing with crossborder radio frequency spillage of mobile networks.

He has been part of a South African delegation to every ITU World Radiocommunication Conferences (WRC's) since 1997.

He is currently employed by the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA), a Regulatory Authority, as a Manager responsible for Radiocommunications. His responsibilities, include the development of national radio regulations, authorisation/licensing of radio frequency use and international radio frequency coordination.



ITU EXPERIENCE

As a representative of the African Telecommunications Union (ATU) at the World Radiocommunication Conference 2015 (WRC-15) he presented input proposals on the WRC-15 agenda item 7 dealing with Satellite Regulatory issues.

He is a regular participant at the ITU-R Working Party 5D dealing with International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) issues and Working Party 4A dealing with Satellite issues.

He has participated as a speaker and a panel member at the ITU Workshop on Spectrum Management for the Internet of Things Deployment Geneva, 22 November 2016 and at the 1st ITU Inter-regional Workshop on WRC-19 Preparation - Geneva, Switzerland, 21-22 November 2017.

He is responsible for the processing of the BR International Frequency Information Circulars (BRIFIC) and notification of space networks where the Republic of South Africa is the notifying administration.

He is currently a serving Member of the ITU Radio Regulations Board elected by the 2018 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference for the period 2019 – 2022.





“My passion for Radiocommunication comes from seeing ordinary South Africans have access to communication services. As a developing country, the views from the continent must be heard. The RRB provides such a platform”

Mr. Samuel Mandla Mchunu

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