

**Agenda Item 8 – New Electoral Cycle of the Officers of WIPO Assemblies and other Bodies (doc. A/63/5)**

Madam Chair,

The CEBS Group would like to thank the Secretariat for preparing the proposal on new electoral cycle of officers.

We see the merits in the proposed change to the electoral cycle. At the same time, we welcome that such change would provide the officers of the relevant bodies with the necessary time to efficiently and effectively prepare for the respective meetings and to consider sometimes the highly technical issues.

We also recognize that the application of the transition period is necessary in order to adapt the two legal frameworks into one consistently reflecting the electoral cycle of all officers.

Therefore, the CEBS Group would like to support the modifications of the electoral cycle and the adaptation of General Rules and Special Rules of Procedure accordingly.

Thank you.