This liaison statement informs you about the current state and the plans of the NGN Management Focus Group (NGNMFG).

This focus group was established in September 2004 to organize and undertake a centralized approach regarding specification of NGN Management related to FCAPS interfaces, in particular to support NGN Release 1. Under the provisions of ITU-T Recommendation A.7, the NGNMFG was organized under the sponsorship of SG 4.

Since its inception, the NGNMFG has worked on its main deliverable, the NGN Management Roadmap. Within a few weeks version 4.0 is expected to become available.

The NGNMFG reported about the progress of its activities to the August/September 2007 SG 4 meeting. At this meeting, SG 4 decided to continue the NGNMFG under modified terms of reference (ToR) for one additional period, thus enabling it to complete the Roadmap, in sync with the ITU-T NGN Release 1 timeframe.

An important aspect of the revised ToR is the request by SG 4 to the NGNMFG to act in a more pro-active role with respect to the efforts in the industry on NGN management standardization. The work in the NGNMFG on NGN Management Requirements Analysis and Traceability will be used to identify possible gaps and to help find ways to close these gaps.

The most recent version of the Roadmap document and the terms of reference under which the NGNMFG will continue its operation (v6.0) are available from the public part of the ITU-T SG 4 website: [http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/com04/ngn-mfg/index.html](http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/com04/ngn-mfg/index.html)
In order to support the role of the NGN Management Roadmap document as a complete and comprehensive set of NGN Management specifications, you are kindly requested to bring any related specification activities in your organizations to the attention of the NGNMFG.

Any participants of your organization that are interested in NGNMFG activities and documentation are invited to register as indicated at the aforementioned website.