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During SG 13 meeting (Geneva, February 3-12, 2004), activities related to the management of the IP project have been achieved in WP 1/13. The version 8 of the IP Project description document has been updated on the basis of liaisons coming from concerned SGs, which have all been endorsed by SG 13.

However, as this SG 13 meeting was the last one of this study period, it has been decided to have a general reflection on the continuation of the three Projects SG 13 has to manage, i.e. the GII Project, the IP Project and the NGN 2004 Project.

The proposal has been to find the best combination of the three Projects in order to better prepare the transition to the next study period.

Conclusions of our discussions are as follows:

- the NGN 2004 Project should be strengthened and expanded, bearing in mind that it will play a major role in the management of the NGN work in the next study period;
- the IP Project should be terminated as such, its material should be introduced in the NGN 2004 Project as far as applicable. The IP Project has been updated producing version 9 of the description document, but SGs are no longer solicited to update it in the future. As a result, this version 9 has to be seen as the ultimate version of the IP Project description document. The material of the IP Project will progressively been introduced in the NGN 2004 Project.

About the GII Project, it is reminded that it had been frozen at the February 2002 SG 13 meeting.

The version 9 of the IP Project description document is provided on the ITU website for the IP Project: