CHARTER

For the

INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR TELEMETRY SPECTRUM

Approved Oct 25, 2001 by the International Foundation for Telemetering

1. NAME

The name of the consortium shall be the International Consortium for Telemetry Spectrum (ICTS).

2. SPONSORSHIP

The ICTS is chartered under the sponsorship of the International Foundation for Telemetering (IFT). The IFT shall exercise oversight responsibility and authority of this consortium and shall provide administrative, policy, and programmatic approval.

3. OBJECTIVE

The main objective of the ICTS is to provide a forum for information exchange on telemetry spectrum issues. In addition, this forum will be used to share information on the use and research and development of new technologies for improving spectral efficiency.

The ICTS was formed in response to the need for an international coalition of telemetry practitioners who share a common goal of ensuring the availability of electromagnetic spectrum for telemetering. Under no circumstances shall the ICTS publish, present, or in any other way represent a position on spectrum issues. However, the information shared within the ICTS will enable telemetry practitioners to effectively respond to spectrum issues within their respective organizations.

4. SCOPE

The ICTS shall serve as a medium to receive, monitor, assess, coordinate, and disseminate information relating to telemetry spectrum issues at the local, national and international levels. It shall be understood that this consortium shall not serve as a decision-making body, nor shall any member, within this setting, be construed to be the official spokesperson for his or her perspective country on spectrum related matters.

5. TASK

5.1. Maintain a database that contains a list of frequency allocations assigned to individual nations and regions for telemetering.
5.2 Publicize to members of the ICTS any planned or proposed changes to spectrum allocations affecting telemetering. Consortium members may disseminate information as deemed appropriate. Consortium officers shall make a determination as to what information shall be posted on the official ICTS Internet site.

5.3 Solicit assessments and observations from members of the ICTS and other telemetry practitioners on the potential impact of planned or proposed changes to telemetry frequency band allocations.

5.4 Prepare, coordinate and disseminate information to ICTS members information papers on spectrum related issues. Consortium members may disseminate information as deemed appropriate. Consortium officers shall make a determination as to what information shall be posted on the official ICTS Internet site.

6. COMPOSITION

The ICTS is an international organization comprised of telemetry practitioners from government, industry, and academia.

Officers of the consortium shall comprise the Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary-Treasurer and Regional Coordinators representing the three regions defined by the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) — Region 1: Europe, Region 2: Americas, Region 3: Asia.

7. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The ICTS Chair shall exercise administrative oversight over the execution of the ICTS chartered objectives. The ICTS Chair shall ensure that Consortium adheres to the guidelines established in this charter and the associated by-laws.

Regional coordinators shall coordinate the activities of the ICTS with their perspective members in support of the goals of the consortium.

8. MEMBERSHIP

The consortium shall be open to individuals or organizations who support the goals of the ICTS and have a business or professional stake in the use of the telemetry spectrum. Selection and acceptance of members will be accordance to the establish procedures outlined in the ICTS By-Laws.

9. GENERAL

Revisions to the charter shall be formulated by the Officers and presented to the IFT for approval.