

COAI and ETSI sign MoU to foster a closer co-operation on Telecom Standardization

New Delhi, 13th May, 2019: Acknowledging the role of standards, especially in the context of emerging technologies and technologies of the future and the need to collaborate and work in partnership with different types of organizations around the world.

COAI, the apex industry association representing leading Telecom, Internet, Technology and Digital Services companies and ETSI, a leading standardization organization for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) standards fulfilling European and global market needs announced to come together once again to work and collaborate on areas of mutual interest.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by Mr. Rajan S Mathews, DG, COAI and Mr. Luis Jorge Romero, DG, ETSI. ETSI and COAI have a common objective to perform and promote, directly or indirectly, regional and international standardization with the aim of contributing to the establishment of global information infrastructure.

On the partnership, **Mr. Rajan S. Mathews, Director General, COAI**, said that, “We are extremely excited to enter into this strategic partnership with ETSI. This partnership will allow us to have a regular and continuous dialogue between EU and India to strengthen the standardization efforts in the field of ICT, through various workshops, conferences and meetings.”

Commenting on the development, **Mr. Luis Jorge Romero, Director General, ETSI**, further added, “We are immensely happy to partner with COAI towards the advancement of modern communication. This partnership will help ETSI to further leverage its activity in India and to promote the use of standards-based communication technologies. This MoU is also in line with the ETSI’s vision of creating globally acceptable, harmonized, open standards.”

Seconded European Standardization Expert (SESEI) local representative of ETSI based in New Delhi will be working closely with COAI through this MoU to strengthen their relationship and foster a closer co-operation on common agenda items between them and promote ETSI-India cooperation on standards related issues.

About COAI

COAI was constituted in 1995 as a registered, non-governmental society. COAI’s vision is to establish India as the global leader of innovative mobile communications infrastructure, products and services and achieving a national teledensity of 100%, including broadband. The association is also dedicated to the advancement of modern communication and towards delivering the benefits of innovative and affordable mobile communication services to the people of India. www.coai.in

About ETSI

ETSI provides members with an open and inclusive environment to support the development, ratification and testing of globally applicable standards for ICT systems and services across all sectors of industry and society. We are a not-for-profit body with more than 850 member organizations worldwide, drawn from 64 countries and five continents. Members comprise a diversified pool of large and small private companies, research entities, academia, government and public organizations. ETSI is officially recognized by the EU as a European Standards Organization (ESO). ETSI has the objective to increase the visibility of European standardization and promote ETSI-India cooperation on standards related issues. www.etsi.org