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## **General information**

The Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus (hereinafter referred to as "Minsvyazi") is a republican body of state administration and carries out government regulation and management of the activities in the domain of communications and informatization, coordinates the activities of legal persons regardless of their patterns of ownership and individual entrepreneurs in the domain of communications and informatization.

Main Objectives of the Ministry:

1. government regulation, management of the activities, implementation of the uniform state policy in the domain of communications and informatization and arrangement of conditions for development of organizations of all the patterns of ownership which carry out activities in the mentioned domain;
2. organizing the preparation and implementation of communications and informatization development programs;
3. coordination of the activities of legal persons regardless of their patterns of ownership and individual entrepreneurs in the domain of communications and informatization with a view to meet the requirements of government bodies, legal entities and individuals in the communications services, creation of the conditions to satisfy the informational needs of the government bodies, legal entities and individuals on the basis of making information systems and (or) networks which ensure formation and processing of informational resources and provision the users with the documentary information;
4. development and implementation of the state policy in the field of planning, sharing and effective usage of the radio-frequency spectrum of civil radio-electronic devices.

The Board of the Ministry consisting of Minister (a chairman of the Board), his deputies and employees of the central office of the Ministry and organizations was established in the Minsvyazi. The Council of the Ministers of the Republic of Belarus approves number and membership of the Board on presentation of the Minister. The decisions of the Board are put into practice by the Minister's orders or the resolutions of the Ministry of Communications and Informatization.

Scientific and Technical Council of the Ministry is being created for examination of the most important scientific and technical issues and proposals on fundamental lines of development of means of communications and information systems. Minister approves the membership of the Council and its Provision.

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