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Subject: ITU Regional Workshop on ICT Applications for Rural Communication Development
Bali, Indonesia, 28 to 30 November 2007

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the ITU Regional Workshop on ICT Applications for Rural Communications Development, which will be held in Bali, Indonesia, from 28 to 30 November 2007. The workshop will be hosted by the Directorate General of Posts and Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology of the Republic of Indonesia.

The workshop is being held in response to requests from many developing countries for capacity building activities in the area of rural communications. This workshop is linked to the ITU Asia Pacific Regional Initiative on Rural Communication Infrastructure Development, which aims to promote among others, enhanced access and use of cost effective and socio-economically beneficial ICT applications. This will contribute to reducing the social divide and improving quality of life, good governance, access to health services, business opportunities, sustainable development, distance learning, employment, and other benefits of ICTs, taking into account the requirements and conditions in rural, isolated and poorly served areas. I am pleased to inform you that the Government of Australia has kindly offered their assistance to support ITU in this workshop.

The workshop is targeted at senior/middle-level policy makers and managers who are involved in developing and implementing initiatives on ICT Applications for Rural Communications. The draft agenda of the Workshop, general information, registration form and hotel reservation form are attached. The registration form should be completed and returned as soon as possible, but not later than 2 November 2007. Please note that the workshop will be conducted in English.

I am pleased to inform you that ITU will provide one full fellowship to one participant duly authorized by the respective ITU Administrations from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) in the Asia Pacific region, subject to available resources, for participating in this workshop. The number of delegates from a country is not limited. However, the country will bear all costs of additional delegates. The fellowship form, if applicable, is also attached and should be completed and returned as soon as possible, but not later than 2 November 2007.

Delegates will be expected to report on their initiatives in rural ICT Applications in their respective countries.

I am looking forward to your positive response, active participation and invaluable contribution in this workshop.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sami Al Basheer Al Morshid', with a horizontal line underneath.

Sami Al Basheer Al Morshid
Director

Attachments: Draft Agenda
 Registration form
 General Information
 Hotel reservation form
 Fellowship form