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Subject: Regional Workshop on Frameworks for Cybersecurity and Critical Information Infrastructure Protection (CIIP)  
Hanoi, Vietnam, 28-31 August 2007

Sir, Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), we would like to invite you to nominate participants for a **Regional Workshop on “Frameworks for Cybersecurity and Critical Information Infrastructure Protection (CIIP)”**, to be held in Hanoi, Vietnam, 28-31 August 2007. The workshop is being hosted by the Government of Vietnam with the support of the Government of Australia.

Our societies are increasingly dependent on information and communication technologies (ICT) networked around the globe. These networks are responsible for a growing share of national wealth, and they provide potential for greater prosperity. However, threats have emerged that can seriously damage critical network infrastructures. To address these threats and protect these infrastructures, each country needs a comprehensive action plan that addresses technical, legal and policy issues, combined with regional and international cooperation.

In Resolution 130 (Antalya, 2006), ITU was requested to give high priority to building confidence and security in the use of information and communication technologies. This workshop, one of series of regional events jointly organised by ITU-D and ITU-T, aims to:

- Identify challenges faced by countries in the Asia-Pacific Region in developing frameworks for cybersecurity and CIIP, and to consider best practices;
- Disseminate information on related technical standards activities developed/being developed by standardisation organisations, and in particular ITU-T;
- Disseminate information on activities underway in ITU-D Study Group Question 22/1: Securing information and communication networks: Best practices for developing a culture of cybersecurity;
- Review the role of various actors (e.g., Governments, Service Providers, Academia, Citizens) in promoting a culture of cybersecurity.

Furthermore, Plenipotentiary Conference 2006 Resolution 123 and outcomes from the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly, Florianópolis, 2004 (WTSA-04<sup>1</sup>) and World Telecommunication Development Conference, Doha, 2006 (WTDC-06<sup>2</sup>) requested the Sectors to

<sup>1</sup> WTSA Resolution No. 44

<sup>2</sup> WTDC-06 Asia Pacific Regional Initiative

undertake initiatives to bridge the standardization gap between developed and developing countries and strengthen the collaboration between ITU-T and ITU-D respectively.

This workshop responds to this request as it provides a review of ITU-T Recommendations and activities relating to cybersecurity and informs participants on related ITU-D Study Group activities.

The workshop is targeted at policy makers / regulators / service providers / operators, who are or would be involved in setting up or are implementing related frameworks in their country. It will benefit:

- Information and communication policy makers from ministries and government departments;
- Departments/Institutions dealing with cybersecurity policies and legislation; and
- Representatives from operators, manufacturers, service providers, industry and consumer associations that need to understand develop and implement related solutions.

Our endeavor is to make the programme interactive through your support and active participation of Members. The draft agenda is enclosed but please be aware that the final programme may differ slightly. The workshop will be conducted in English only. Information on the event is available at [www.itu.int/ITU-D/cyb/events/2007/hanoi/](http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/cyb/events/2007/hanoi/). Electronic contributions to the meeting on country experiences are solicited. The registration form and fellowship form (if applicable), should be returned as soon as possible but not later than 15<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

We are 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 in the Asia Pacific region, subject to available budget, 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.

It is expected that each participant would be prepared to report on cybersecurity-related initiatives in his/her respective country.

Participants who require assistance to attend the Workshop should contact Ms. Amie Budiarto ([amie.budiarto@itu.int](mailto:amie.budiarto@itu.int)) at the ITU Area Office, Jakarta on telephone +62213802322, fax +622138905521 or Mr. Ashish Narayan ([ashish.narayan@itu.int](mailto:ashish.narayan@itu.int)) at the ITU Regional Office in Bangkok on telephone +66 2 574 8565, fax +66 2 574 9328.

We look forward to the active participation and invaluable contribution from your organization.

Accept, Sir, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Enclosures:

- Draft Agenda
- Pre-registration Form
- Fellowship Form
- General Information for participants