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Subject: **ITU/BDT Seminar "Tariff Policies and Interconnection of Telecommunication Operators' Networks" Odessa, Ukraine, 7-9 October 2008**

Dear Sir/Madam,

At the kind invitation of the Communications Administration of Ukraine, the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) is organizing a seminar entitled **"Tariff Policies and Interconnection of Telecommunication Operators' Networks",** which will take place in Odessa, Ukraine, from 7 to 9 October 2008. The seminar will be hosted by the Odessa National Academy of Telecommunications (ONAT).

The seminar is addressed to the managers of financial and technical services from telecommunication administrations, regulators, operators and providers. The following issues will be considered during this event:

− Recommendations of international organizations and institutes on the calculation of tariffs and regulation of tariffs for interconnection of telecommunication operators' networks;

− Approaches to determination of tariffs for interconnection of telecommunication operators' networks;

− Approaches to building the tariff regulation system;

− Methods and problems of identification of interconnection costs;

− Issues related to the introduction of a LRIC (long run incremental cost) model approach;

− Principles of taking into account investments in the calculation of interconnection tariffs;

− Prospects of development of tariff policies and interconnection of telecom operators' networks;

− Interconnection service tariff-setting (existing practices in the countries of participants);

− Interconnection tariff setting and regulation policy (existing practices in the countries of participants).

Any presentations and contributions for the organization of the Seminar will be highly appreciated and should be notified electronically to the attention of Ms. Ekaterina Tanashchuk, e-mail: tea@onat.edu.ru, with copy to Ms. Natalia Kotova, e-mail: n.kotova@onat.edu.ua and ITU Area Office in Moscow – Mr Orozobek Kaiykov, e-mail: orozobek.kaiykov@itu.int, **no later than 20 September 2008**.

The Seminar will be conducted in Russian and English with simultaneous interpretation.

Your Administration/Company/Organization is invited to participate in this event and to make a presentation.

Although there is no participation fee for this seminar, please note that all expenses relating to the participation of your representatives in the seminar should be covered by your Administration/Regulator/Company.

Participants are kindly requested to note the attached **Practical Information**, as well as to fill in and fax or e-mail the attached relevant **Forms** (**Registration**, **Hotel Reservation and Transfer, Visa Support**) to the individuals and by the deadlines specified on these Forms. Any questions on the organization of the seminar may be directed the **Seminar Coordinator** from the Odessa National Academy of Telecommunications:

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Information related to the Seminar may be found on the following website: http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/finance/.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed by Sami Al Basheer Al Morshid, Director]

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Director

Annexes:

1. Draft program
2. Registration form
3. Practical Information
4. Hotel Reservation and Transfer Form
5. Visa support form