



Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)  
Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific



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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Regional organisations in Asia-Pacific
- Industry, private sector, organisations dealing with telecommunications/ICTs

Subject: **Invitation to International Satellite Symposium 2017, 31 August – 1 September 2017 and Workshop on the Efficient Use of the Orbit/Spectrum Resource, 30 August 2017, Bangkok, Thailand**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) and Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the **International Satellite Symposium 2017** to be held on 31 August and 1 September 2017 at Centara Grand at Central World Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. The event is jointly organized by ITU and the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission of Thailand (NBTC) with support from the Australian Government. The International Satellite Symposium 2017 will be preceded by a one-day **Workshop on the Efficient Use of the Orbit/Spectrum Resource** which will be held at the same venue on 30 August 2017 and is organized by ITU.

The symposium will focus on implementation of WRC decisions, legal and regulatory frameworks, technology trends and innovative products and services, emerging issues and challenges in the satellite industry. Effective competition will also be discussed with an aim to identify opportunities to promote and strengthen the industry. The workshop will focus on satellite filing and coordination procedures, non-GSO satellite issues, and specific issues in countries of the Asia-Pacific region.

Subject to available fund, ITU is pleased to provide **one full fellowship** for each eligible country from Asia-Pacific Region. Applicants requesting fellowships are required to submit the Fellowship Request form duly endorsed by their respective administration together with the confirmed online registration, no later than **31 July 2017**.

This workshop will, for the most part, be paperless and all materials including presentations, practical information for participants, the workshop agenda and venue will be available at <http://itu.int/go/iss2017>. Registration must be done online following the URL aforementioned.

Mr Wisit Atipayakoon, ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, (email: [wisit.atipayakoon@itu.int](mailto:wisit.atipayakoon@itu.int), Tel: +662 575 3500, Fax: +662 575 3507) is at your full disposal for any further information you may need.

I look forward to your active participation in this workshop.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ioane Koroivuki', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ioane Koroivuki  
Regional Director  
ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

Annexes:       Provisional agenda  
                  Fellowship request form  
                  Useful information for participants