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Subject:

ITU Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on ICT Statistics

22-25 August 2017, Xi'an, China

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on ICT Statistics to be held in Xi'an, China, from 22 to 25 August 2017. The workshop will be hosted by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT), China, in collaboration with China Academy of Information and Communications Technology (CAICT), Xi'an University of Posts and Telecommunications, and Shannxi Communications Authority.

The objective of the workshop is to strengthen the capacity of countries to produce national statistics on telecommunications and ICTs. The workshop is intended for participants who are responsible for collecting and/or producing such statistics in ministries, regulatory agencies and national statistical offices.

The workshop will include discussions of the methodology of ICT indicators and the experiences by countries in the collection, analysis and presentation of ICT data. Moreover, the workshop will raise awareness of the relevance of the indicators for evidence-based policy formulation and in assessing the implementation of particular policy initiatives.

Within the budget available, one partial fellowship per eligible country in the Asia-Pacific region may be granted to participants. Priority will be given to applicants who submit a paper on the ICT data collection experience in their country. Due to budgetary constraints, the countries benefiting from ITU fellowships may be required to partly contribute to expenses associated to their nominee's participation. Please note that both the contribution/paper and fellowship form must be received at ITU no later than 1 August 2017.

More detailed information on the workshop, such us the draft programme, registration and fellowship application forms, and practical information for participants will be made available at http://itu.int/go/aspstat2017. Please note that this workshop will be paperless. All the materials including presentations will be posted at the above-mentioned link.



Mr Wisit Atiyapakoon (<u>wisit.atipayakoon@itu.int</u>) and Ms Esperanza Magpantay (<u>esperanza.magpantay@itu.int</u>) are at your full disposal should you require any further information. I look forward to your active participation in this workshop.

Yours faithfully,

Brahima Sanou

Director

Annex 1:

Draft Programme