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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States from CIS
- Regulators, ITU Sector Members, Associates, and Academia from CIS
- Regional telecommunication organizations from CIS

Subject: ITU Regional Workshop for CIS on *The Internet of Things (IoT) and Future Networks*, Saint Petersburg, Russia, 19-20 June 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I am pleased to invite you to the ITU Regional Workshop for CIS on *The Internet of Things (IoT) and Future Networks*, which is organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the ITU in collaboration with the Bonch-Bruевич Saint Petersburg State University of Telecommunications and will be held in Saint Petersburg, Russia, from 19 to 20 June 2017, in conjunction with the ITU-T SG11 and SG20 Regional Groups' meetings.

This Workshop is addressed to representatives of ministries, regulators, telecom operators, universities and general education institutions, telecommunication equipment manufacturers, software developers and other interested stakeholders of the ITU Member States, Sector Members and Associates from the CIS.

The Workshop is aimed at sharing experiences in the field the development of Internet of Things and its applications. In particular, the Workshop will cover following issues:

- International standardization of the Internet of Things
- Perspectives of implementing Internet of Things technologies in telecom networks in CIS region
- Future telecom networks development in the region
- International standardization of the technologies of the future networks and its applications

The draft agenda is attached hereto (Annex 1).

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

The event will be paperless. All materials of the Workshop, including presentations, will be available on the ITU website: https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/CIS/Pages/EVENTS/2017/06_Saint_Petersburg/06_Saint_Petersburg.aspx

There is no participation fee for this event. However, all expenses related to the travel, accommodation and insurance of participants should be covered by your Administration/Organization.

Participants are kindly requested to fill out the Registration Form (Annex 2) and send it as indicated in the form **no later than 2 June 2017**.

To encourage the participation of low-income developing countries and subject to the availability of funds, the ITU will grant one full or two partial fellowships per eligible country of the CIS Region. An application for a fellowship must be authorized by the relevant Administration. Those intending to apply for a fellowship are required to complete the Fellowship Form (Annex 4) and send it to the ITU Fellowships Service by email: fellowships@itu.int or by fax: +41 22 730 57 78 **no later than 26 May 2017**.

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I look forward to active participation from your Administration/Organization.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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Director

Annexes:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Registration Form
3. Practical Information
4. Fellowship Request Form
5. Visa Support Form