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| Subject: | **ITU-ENISA Regional Cybersecurity Forum for Europe, 29-30 November, Sofia, Bulgaria** | | | |
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| Dear Sir/Madam,  I have the pleasure to invite your organization to participate in the **ITU-ENISA Regional Cybersecurity Forum**, scheduled to take place from 29 to 30 November 2016 in Sofia, Bulgaria.  This event is jointly organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA), in close collaboration with the Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications of the Republic of Bulgaria.  This Forum is designed within the framework of the Regional Initiative for Europe on Building Confidence and Security in the Use of Telecommunications/ICTs, adopted by the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2014, Dubai.  It will provide a platform for strengthening regional cooperation, information sharing, and discussion on cybersecurity with particular focus on National Cybersecurity Strategies and National CSIRT/CIRT/CERT in terms of development approaches, good practices, challenges and opportunities. National policy and decision makers, legislators, regulators, service providers, academia, civil society and other relevant Cybersecurity professionals, from 43 European countries, will participate in the sessions, promoting constructive dialogue between international and regional organizations, governments, ICT security players and consumers.  Please note that the event will be paperless. Documents related to the event, including the agenda, registration form, hotel reservation form and practical information for participants will be posted on the ITU website at <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Europe/Pages/Events/2016/RCYBF/Regional-Cybersecurity-Forum.aspx>. Participants are invited to download and print the documents needed for the event. The event will be conducted in English only.  Participants are requested to complete the online registration form available on the event website**.**  All travel, accommodation and other arrangements should be made, and their associated costs borne, by the participating Administration/Organization/Company or participants directly. Participants requiring an entry visa to Bulgaria should contact their nearest Bulgarian Embassy or Consulate well in advance.  Mr Marco Obiso, Cybersecurity Coordinator (telephone: +41 22 730 67 60, e-mail: marco.obiso@itu.int) and Mr Jaroslaw Ponder, Coordinator for Europe Region (telephone: +41 22 730 60 65, e-mail: EURRegion@itu.int) are at your full disposal for any questions you might have concerning this event.  Yours faithfully,  [Originally signed]  Brahima Sanou Director | | | | |
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