How to foster the development of Mobile Broadband in the Arab Region: challenges and recommendations

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**Moderator:** Abdelmajid Hellali, Manager Tunisie Telecom

**Panelists:**

1) Dr Rim Belhassine-Cherif, Executive Director of Products and Services Development, Tunisie Télécom: Operators experience in introducing new technology for the development of Mobile Broadband; Experience in developing Broadband Applications

2) Lasse Wieweg, UMTS Forum: Finding new frequencies - new additional spectrum for future UMTS/IMT systems: Mobile Broadband and Information Age; How unified Standards and Harmonized Spectrum allocation can facilitate the development of Broadband Access

3) Ammar Hamoda, Carrier Relations Specialist, Zain Sudan operator: International Interconnection Termination fee fluctuation – problem and solutions.

4) Mohsen Ghomam Malek, General Engineer, Tunisian Broadcasting Network operator (ONT): Opportunities and challenges of BNO for the introduction of IMT services in relation with convergence between telecoms and broadcasting

5) Miss Rouda Alamir, ITU Regional Office Cairo: ITU Activities for supporting the development of Broadband Mobile in the ARB Region

6) Shiv Bakhshi, Ericsson: Addressing Bridging the Digital Divide, IMT Solution for Developing Countries, Market and Business opportunity in the Arab Region, the policy constrain for facilitating the development of Mobile Broadband Access

7) Alaa AlDin AlRadhi: Arab Region Highlights of LTE and Coordination with ITU

8) Riccardo PASSERINI, ITU-D Activities on IMT in support of Developing Countries