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Subject:

IMT-2000 Regional Seminar for the Arab Region, Doha (Qatar), 29 September-1 October 2003

Dear Sir/Madam.

Mobile communications and Internet are merging in IMT-2000 to provide advanced mobile multimedia services, offering data transmission at speed and volume far superior to conventional second generation systems, thus revolutionizing the way people communicate. In this context, ITU is playing a preeminent role in defining ICT/IMT-2000 and beyond systems through the activities of its Study Groups and IMT-2000 Project.

At the kind invitation of *Qatar Telecom* (Q-Tel), and in cooperation with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), ITU is organizing a Regional Seminar on IMT-2000 for the Arab Region, which will take place in Doha, Qatar from 29 September to 1st October 2003.

The Seminar will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation into Arabic/English. It is therefore preferable if participants would have an appropriate knowledge of English.

Your Administration is invited to participate in this event with one or more **qualified experts** and to present a paper dealing with mobile network implementation in your country/region and evolution to 3G.

In this respect, should your Administration require a full fellowship **(LDCs)**, you are kindly requested to fill in the attached Fellowship Nomination Form and return it to the ITU Fellowships Service by fax (+41 22 730 57 78) by 15 August at the latest, together with an abstract of the presentation your representative(s) intends to make.

For other countries beneficiaries of partial fellowships:

The ITU will offer partial fellowship limited to <u>one</u> participant per country covering the cost of accommodation and miscellaneous expenses (<u>the cost of travel should be covered by your Administration</u>). Please note that the fellowship will be granted <u>only</u> upon receipt of the above-mentioned paper, and on a first come first served basis within the available budget.

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You are kindly requested to complete and fax to us on (+41 22 730 5484) with copy to Mr. Waleed Al-Sayed, Acting Manager of Public Relations, *Q-Tel* (Fax No. +974 4830993) the attached Registration Form for all your representatives.

Those participants requiring entry visa to Qatar are requested to contact their local Consulate of Qatar for information well in advance.

We are also attaching the Seminar Draft Agenda, an Information Note and the Hotel Reservation Form. All the related information on the seminar could be found at the following address: <a href="http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/imt-2000/BDTActivities.html">http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/imt-2000/BDTActivities.html</a> and ITU/ARO website: <a href="http://www.ituarabic.org/IMT-2000/index.html">http://www.ituarabic.org/IMT-2000/index.html</a>

Should you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

Hamadoun Touré Director

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