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Subject ITU-D Regional Development Forum for the EUR and CIS region "NGN and

Broadband"

Chisinau, Moldova, 4-6 May 2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that, at the kind invitation of the Ministry of Information Technologies and Communication of the Republic of Moldova, the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing the **Regional Development Forum for the EUR and CIS region "Next Generation Networks (NGN) and Broadband".** The Forum will be held from 4 to 6 May 2010 in Chisinau (Republic of Moldova).

The main aims of this Regional Development Forum are:

- to inform participants of the latest developments in telecommunications /ICT especially development in NGN (New Generation Network) and Broadband;
- to facilitate networking opportunities between national and foreign operators active or interested in the region;
- to come up with recommendations on key aspects for development of NGN and Broadband.

The Regional Development Forum is opened to all ITU Members States, Sectors Members and Associates, as well as to any individual from an ITU member State wishing to contribute to the work (no registration fee).

The discussions will be held in Russian and English, with simultaneous interpretation. Please note that the Regional Development Forum is a paperless event. All documents and their updated versions will be posted at: http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/tech/indexDevelopmentForum.html. Delegates are encouraged to carry their Laptop computers for the meeting.

Additional information with respect to Programme, entry visa, registration, hotel reservation as well as other practical and general information can be found as follows:

- Draft Programme (Annex 1);
- Practical information and entry visa requirements (Annex 2);
- Hotel Reservation Form (Annex 3);
- Registration Form (Annex 4)

Please note that the above-mentioned forms should be filled and returned to the respective focal points (see details in the forms) as soon as possible, and no later than the specified deadlines.

Any presentations and contributions for the Forum will be highly appreciated and should be notified electronically to the attention of Mr. Riccardo Passerini, BDT/PRI/TND (<u>riccardo.passerini@itu.int</u>) and Mr. Andrei Untila, ITU Area Office for CIS. (andrei.untila@itu.int), no later than 19 April 2010.

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