



**Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To Regulatory Associations

Subject: Regulatory Associations meeting, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 1 October 2012
Global Symposium for Regulators, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2-4 October 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the annual meeting of Regulatory Associations that will be held in conjunction with the GSR. This meeting will take place at the Hilton Colombo Hotel, Colombo, Sri Lanka, in the afternoon of 1 October 2012, and will be organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (TRCSL).

The Regulatory Associations meeting provides an opportunity to discuss, to exchange information and to build bridges towards better and more active cooperation between the Regulatory Associations in the various regions. The meeting will be held prior to the GSR.

The topics for discussion this year will include the future of regulators in the converged ICT sector, roaming and challenges of transnational regulation. Please find attached the provisional agenda of the meeting (annex 1).

You are invited as well to participate in the 12th Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR) that will follow the Regulatory Associations meeting from 2-4 October 2012.

All information, including visa requirements for this meeting can be found at: www.itu.int/GSR12.

GSR offers unique networking opportunities in the lead up to, and during the event through the online interactive networking platform to be made available on the GSR12 website at www.itu.int/GSR12. This platform provides registered users with the opportunity to set up their appointments using their PC or smartphone, and even book a meeting room.

Interpretation will be provided based on the requests of participants. You are therefore invited to indicate on the registration form whether you require languages other than English by 15 August 2012. Based on the requests made by this deadline, and provided there is at least one request for a given language, interpretation will be provided in the requested language.

Should you require any information, please contact Mr Makhtar Fall, Head, Regulatory and Market Environment Division, by e-mail: gsr@itu.int or phone: +41 22 730 6256/730 5709.

Designated Focal Points of the Regulatory Associations are requested to send the list of their delegates not later than 10 September 2012, by e-mail to: gsr@itu.int.

Registrations for GSR 2012 will open on **21 May 2012**, and Designated Focal Points of Regulatory Associations are requested to register their delegates via the GSR registration site to be found [here](#). The list of Designated Focal Points who will carry out registration for delegates of each Association is found in Annex 2.

Yours sincerely,

[Original signed]

Brahima Sanou
Director

Annex 1: Provisional program

Annex 2: The list of Designated Focal Points

Regulatory Associations Meeting

Colombo, Sri Lanka, 1 October 2012

Provisional Programme

Registration:

Sunday 30 September 2012	from 09:00 to 22:00 hours
Monday 1 October 2012	from 09:00 to 18:30 hours

Venue:

Colombo, Sri Lanka

Regulatory and Market Environment Division
Telecommunication Development Bureau
International Telecommunication Union
www.itu.int/GSR12



Monday 1 October 2012

Regulatory Associations meeting

14:00 – 14:30 REGISTRATION

14:30 – 14:45 OPENING CEREMONY

Brahima Sanou, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

General Director of Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (TRCSL).

Director of Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT)

14:45 – 15:30 SESSION 1: “THE FUTURE OF REGULATORS” IN THE WORLD OF THE INFORMATION SOCIETY: WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE REGULATORS AND WHAT SHOULD BE THEIR COMPETENCES?

Presentation from the Latin American Forum of Telecom Regulators (REGULATEL)

Contribution from other Associations

15:30 – 16:15 SESSION 2: ROAMING EXPERIENCES WITHIN REGIONAL CONTEXT

Presentation from the Association of Communications and Telecommunications Regulators of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (ARCTEL-CPLP)

Experiences from other regions

16:15 – 16:30 COFFEE BREAK

16:30 – 17:30 SESSION 3: CHALLENGES OF TRANSNATIONAL REGULATION

Presentation from the Association of Communications and Telecommunications Regulators of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (ARCTEL-CPLP)

Interactive panel discussions

Designated Focal Points for the registration of participants from the Regulatory Associations

Organization	contacts (focal point)	Other contacts
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Association of Regulators for Information and Communication Services of Eastern and Southern Africa (ARICEA)	adaffala@comesa.int	
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Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC)	berec@ec.europa.eu	
Communications Regulators' Association of Southern Africa (CRASA)	crasa@it.bw blinzie@it.bw	
Comité de Régulation des Télécommunications (CRTEL)	ndakon@atci.ci	
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East African Communications Organisations (EACO)	pmwesigwa@ucc.co.ug	
Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority (ECTEL)	Echarles@ectel.int	ectel@ectel.int
Euro-Mediterranean Telecom Regulators (EMERG)	info@mca.org.mt	
Réseau Francophone de la Régulation des Télécommunications (FRATEL)	eugenie.berthelot@arcep.fr contact@fratel.org	
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South Asian Telecommunication Regulators' Council (SATRC)	aptsatrc@aptsec.org amir@apt.int	
West Africa Telecommunications Regulators' Association (WATRA)	info@watra.org	