



Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States of the AMS Region
- ITU-D Members of the AMS Region
- Regional and International Organizations

Subject:Third Regional Forum on Interconnectivity, Cyber Security and IPV6Panama city, Panama, 10-11 September 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the **Third Regional Forum on Interconnectivity, Cyber Security** and IPV6 to be held on 10-11 September 2015 in Panama City, Panama.

This Forum is organized at the kind invitation of the National Authority of Public Services (ASEP), in close collaboration with the Regional Technical Communications Commission of Central America (COMTELCA) and of the Latin America and Caribbean Network Information Centre (LACNIC). The Forum will be held back-to-back with the 2nd Meeting of the Standardization Committee of COMTELCA to be held from 7 to 9 September 2015.

The Forum sessions will discuss, among other things, interconnection, IXP, its benefits, the role of the regulator, the necessity of national regulations, a regional vision, and the path towards a regional agreement on interconnection.

On the second day of the Forum, sessions will be held on cyber security, broadband access, IPV6 and its implementation in the region, steps towards a regional collaboration on cybersecurity, and the necessity of policies on cyber security and child online protection.

As regional support, collaboration and the establishment of an agreement for cooperation and teamwork on interconnection will be discussed during the event, it is recommended that your delegation includes a representative at decision-making level.

There will be no fees to participate in the event, however travel arrangements, accommodation and daily expenses should be made and borne by the participating entity. Fellowships will be granted to eligible participants from Least Developed and Low Income Countries of the Americas Region.

To participate, please register on-line at <u>http://www.itu.int/go/regitud</u>, **no later than 1 September 2015.** Concerned participants are strongly advised to apply for their entry visa to Panama as early as possible as the approval procedure may take several days and the Panama Embassy/Consulate may request an invitation letter from the National Authority of Public Services.

The agenda, fellowship form, practical information, and information for entry visa to Panama will be available online on the event's web page.

Mr Pablo Palacios, ITU Area Office in Chile, is at your full disposal should you require any further information (email: <u>Pablo.Palacios@itu.int</u>, tel.: +56 22 632 6134, +56 22 632 6147).

Yours faithfully,

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