

Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- ITU-D Sector Members

Subject: Invitation to the CyberQ Conference "Security in the Quantum Era", from 12 to 13 November 2024, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the CyberQ Conference, titled "Security in the Quantum Era," scheduled to take place from 12 to 13 November 2024 at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center (ADNEC), United Arab Emirates (UAE). The conference is organized by the UAE Cyber Security Council (CSC) in collaboration with the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). It is part of our ongoing capacity building effort.

This conference aims to address the emerging Quantum era and its profound implications for information security. As we navigate this transformative period, it is crucial to provide a deeper understanding of the imminent Quantum Age and address its associated threats.

The CyberQ Conference will provide Government Entities and industry leaders with a clear path leading to solutions for ensuring the resilience of critical cyber systems and maintaining the integrity and confidentiality of information assets in the Quantum era. The conference will feature a diverse range of expert speakers, panels, and interactive sessions, all designed to foster collaboration and innovation in the face of these new challenges.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Cyber Security Council of the UAE for their generous support in facilitating the logistics, including travel, accommodation, and UAE visa processing for two participants from each of the 100 selected countries. Please note that there are no participation fees for the event.

Member States interested in benefiting from this support are encouraged to select two candidates and submit their expression of interest to the ITU regional focal points by 31 October 2024 at the latest.

The following ITU regional focal points are at your full disposal for any questions you might have concerning this event:

- Mr. Serge Valery Zongo, ITU Regional Office for Africa (<u>serge.zongo@itu.int</u>)
- Mr. Pablo Palacios Ochoa, ITU Regional Office for the Americas (pablo.palacios@itu.int)
- Mr. Ahmed El Raghy, ITU Regional Office for the Arab States (ahmed.elraghy@itu.int)
- Mr. Calvin Chan, ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (<u>calvin.chan@itu.int</u>)
- Mr. Farid Nakhli, ITU Regional Office for CIS Countries (farid.nakhli@itu.int)
- Ms. Valentina Stadnic, ITU Regional Office for Europe (valentina.stadnic@itu.int)

Please note that this event will be held in a paperless format. All relevant documents, such as the event agenda, registration form, inquiries and practical information for participants, can be accessed on this <u>link</u>.

I look forward to your valuable participation that will advance our collective understanding and preparedness for the Quantum era.

Yours faithfully,

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