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Subject:Invitation to the International Regulatory Conference 2025 (IRC),20-21 May 2025, Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite you to the International Regulatory Conference 2025 (IRC), to be held from 20 to 21 May 2025 in Skopje, North Macedonia. The Conference will be co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Agency for Electronic Communications (AEC) of the Republic of North Macedonia.

The 2025 edition of the IRC will serve as a platform for exchanging regulatory practices central to achieving universal and meaningful connectivity, as well as sustainable digital transformation. It will also aim to support the implementation of the ITU Regional Initiatives for Europe. Numerous topics will be addressed, including emerging regulatory frameworks, customer care practices, confidence and security in the use of ICTs, universal connectivity, spectrum management, regional radiofrequency coordination for digital audio broadcasting.

Moreover, this IRC will offer the opportunity to celebrate the 160-year anniversary of the International Telecommunication Union and the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Regulatory Authority of the Republic of North Macedonia, marking an important milestone for these two institutions in their commitment to advancing digital development in the Europe Region and beyond.

Please note that the meeting will be paperless. Details on the agenda, practical arrangements, and registration are available on the <u>event webpage</u>.

Ms. Valentina Stadnic (valentina.stadnic@itu.int), Programme Officer and Ms. Isabella Rinaldi, Digital Infrastructure Consultant (isabella.rinaldi@itu.int), at the ITU Office for Europe, are at your disposal for any further information you might need.

I look forward to your participation in this conference.

Yours faithfully,

(Original signed)

Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava Director



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Draft Agenda 20-21 MAY 2025 Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia

Tuesday, 20 May 2025

| 09:30-10:00 | Registration |
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| 10:00-10:30 | Opening Ceremony |
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| 10:30-12:00 | 25 Years Anniversary Celebration of the National Regulatory Authority |
| 12:00-12:15 | Coffee break |
| 12:15-13:30 | High-Level Panel – The Evolving Role of National Regulatory Authorities towards Accelerated Digital Transformation |
| 13:30-14:30 | Lunch |
| 14:30-14:45 | Setting the Context: Global Trends in Regulations |
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| 14:45-16:00 | Session 1 – Spectrum Management for Inclusive Digital Growth |
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| 16:00-17:00 | Session 2 – Building Confidence and Security in the Use of ICTs |

Wednesday, 21 May 2025

| 09:30-10:00 | 160 Years Anniversary Celebration of the International Telecommunication Union |
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| | Session 3 – Charting Digital Infrastructures to Bridge Connectivity Gaps in Europe and beyond |
| 10:00-11:00 | |
| 11:00-11:30 | Coffee break |
| 11:30-13:00 | Session 4 – New Approaches towards Regulatory Frameworks Facing Emerging Technologies |
| 13:00-14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00-16:00 | Special Session A – Customer Care |
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| 14:00-16:00 | Special Session B – Radiofrequency Coordination for the Update of the Development of the Regional Agreements for DAB |