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- Administrations of ITU Member States in the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Asia and the Pacific Region
- ITU-D Sector Members, and Academia in the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Asia and the Pacific Region
- National Regulatory Authorities in the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Asia and the Pacific Region
- Heads of National CIRTs in Asia and the Pacific Region (government institutions only)

Subject: Invitation to the Interregional Training Course on ITU International Standards: Data Protection (X.1220/X.nspam) and Passwordless Authentication (X.1280), from 11-13 February 2026 in Bangkok, Thailand

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the **‘Interregional Training Course on ITU International Standards: Data Protection (X.1220/X.nspam) and Passwordless Authentication (X.1280)’**, to be held from 11-13 February 2026 in Bangkok, Thailand. This event is organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) together with the Telecommunication Technology Association (TTA) of the Republic of Korea and the Passwordless Alliance.

This training course provides a comprehensive overview on two ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) recommendations - Storage Protection (X.1220/X.nspam) and Passwordless Authentication (X.1280) – and highlights the implication of these standards.

Participants will gain both theoretical knowledge and practical experience in storage protection technologies that defend against ransomware and data exfiltration, as well as passwordless authentication technologies that prevent phishing attacks. The program ensures that participants acquire hands-on skills applicable to real-world environments

To encourage participation of [eligible countries](#) with priority to Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS), one full fellowship or two partial fellowships may be granted to eligible Member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Asia and the Pacific region, subject to availability of funds.

Full fellowships will cover the cost of air ticket (one return economy class ticket by the most direct/economical route from the country of origin to the meeting venue), and appropriate subsistence allowance intended to cover accommodation, meals and incidental expenses.

Partial fellowship will cover either the airticket, or the appropriate subsistence allowance intended to cover accommodation, meals and incidental expenses.

Member States shall cover the remainder of the cost of the participation.

Member States are encouraged to select their candidates taking into consideration the inclusion of persons with disabilities and persons with specific needs, bearing in mind gender balance. The duly validated fellowship request form (Annex 1) and its annexes, if any, must be returned to the Fellowships Service by e-mail to fellowships@itu.int or by fax: + 41 22 730 57 78, by **4 January 2026** at the latest. Registration prior to submitting the fellowship request is mandatory.

Please note that this event will be held in a paperless format. All relevant documents, such as the event agenda, registration form, and practical information for participants, can be accessed on the ITU website at www.itu.int/go/JS0J.

Should you need further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Calvin Chan (calvin.chan@itu.int) and Mr. Farid Nakhli (farid.nakhli@itu.int). They are at your full disposal for any questions you might have concerning this event.

I look forward to the active participation from your Administration/Organization in this training activity.

Yours faithfully,



Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava
Director

Annex 1

ITU Fellowship Application Form Full Fellowship – Regular Budget

This form serves as your application for a fellowship to support your participation in:

Interregional Training Course on ITU-T Recommendations on Data Protection (X.1220/X.nspam) and Passwordless Authentication (X.1280),

City/Country: Bangkok, Thailand

Dates: From 11 to 13 February 2026

Fellowship type: FULL. See section 1 below for further details.

Deadline for application: 4 January 2026 (23:59 hours, Geneva, Switzerland). Any application received after this deadline will not be considered.

Selection Criteria

- Refer to the corresponding invitation letter for further information on the selection criteria.
- Fellowship awards for this event are governed by the [Policy for awarding fellowships for events and activities funded through the ITU regular budget](#).
- To ensure good governance in the use of fellowships, any **one individual may not be awarded more than one full fellowship, or two partial fellowships in a financial year**. In this respect, the amount granted to any one individual **shall not exceed ten thousand (10 000) Swiss Francs** in a financial year.
- Member States wishing to apply for an ITU fellowship **must not have any type of debt** related to the contributions derived from their contributory unit, except those who have agreed to a repayment plan and are in compliance with their obligations.
- **Highest-ranking officials** (Head of State, Head of Government, Minister, Vice-Minister, Secretary of State or equivalent, high-ranking diplomats) shall **not be considered** for fellowships.

How to fill out this form

- All questions marked with * are mandatory.
- Please print all pages of this form and complete the signature sections.

How to submit this signed form (and any relevant documents)

- Email: fellowships@itu.int or Fax: +41 22 730 57 78

ITU will only consider requests that meet all the above requirements

Conditions

<p>1. A Full fellowship offer for this activity includes the following:</p>	<p>one (1) return economy class air ticket by the most direct/economical route from the country of origin to the location of the activity/event,</p> <p>AND</p>
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	<p>a subsistence allowance to cover accommodation, meals and incidental expenses.</p> <p>(Other costs will not be covered as part of this fellowship award)</p>
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Personal Information

2.	Country *	
3.	Name of Administration *	
4.	Gender *	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say
5.	Email address *	
6.	Phone number *	

Passport Information

7.	Family/Last Name *	
8.	Middle Name	
9.	First/Given Name *	
10.	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) *	
11.	Place of Birth (City, Country) *	
12.	Nationality *	
13.	Passport Number *	
14.	Passport Date of Issue (DD/MM/ YYYY) *	
15.	Passport Date of Expiry (DD/MM/YYYY) *	
16.	Passport Place of Issue/Issuing Authority *	

Education and Work Experience

17.	Job title *	
18.	Highest level of education completed *	<input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate Degree or Post Doctorate studies <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd University Degree (Master or equivalent) <input type="checkbox"/> 1st University Degree (Bachelor or equivalent) <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Diploma (or equivalent) <input type="checkbox"/> High school diploma <input type="checkbox"/> Other
19.	Field of Studies *	
20.	Number of years of relevant work experience *	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 years <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 years+16-20 years

	<input type="checkbox"/> More than 20 years
21. Briefly describe your current work functions * (provide separate documents or CV as necessary)	
22. Describe your experience in relation to the activity * (provide separate documents or CV as necessary)	
23. Upon return to your country, how will you make use of the knowledge acquired during the activity * (provide separate documents or CV as necessary)	

Additional Information

24. Have you already benefited from fellowship(s) during the current year? *	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Provide the activity name(s)/year(s):
25. Describe any accessibility or specific needs you may have (optional)		

Conditions and Applicant Signature

In signing and submitting this form, I certify that I have read the following conditions and accept them in their entirety. *	Please agree to all conditions. <input type="checkbox"/> I hereby certify that the statements in this application are true and complete * <input type="checkbox"/> If selected for a fellowship, I undertake to attend the entire event * <input type="checkbox"/> If selected for a fellowship, I undertake to inform ITU whenever there are changes in my availability that will affect the terms of my ITU award *
Applicant Signature *	Date (DD/MM/YYYY) * :

National Designated Focal Point Signature

This application shall be duly signed and authorized by the national designated focal point and/or a senior officer from the Administration/Member State.

Full name *: Job title *: Email *:	Signature * Date (DD/MM/YYYY) * :
Stamp of the Administration/Member State *	