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To:
- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Palestine (Resolution 99 (Rev.Dubai,2018))
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members
- Academia

Subject: **Applications open for ITU training course on "AI governance in practice: developing secure and innovative frameworks", Geneva, 14-18 September 2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the second edition of the flagship International Telecommunication Union (ITU) training course on 'AI governance in practice: developing secure and innovative frameworks', to be held at ITU headquarters in **Geneva, Switzerland, from 14 to 18 September 2026**. This comprehensive training programme is organized by the ITU with the financial support of the Global Gateway Initiative of the European Union.

This intermediate-level training course is designed to equip policymakers, regulators and government officials with the essential knowledge and tools to navigate AI governance. It will cover key AI concepts and important topics such as risks, legal frameworks, and ethical models related to AI, focusing on the AI system lifecycle and featuring hands-on activities like sandbox prototyping and policy negotiation. The course includes real-world simulations, case studies, design labs, and scenario analysis. By the end of the training, participants will create a tailored five-year AI governance action plan for their institutions, based on global best practices and rights-based safeguards. Participants will be expected to do some preparatory work online as a requirement to participate in the course.

The training is targeted at policymakers and government officials who are involved in developing, implementing, and influencing AI national governance frameworks. More information as well as entry requirements are available on the ITU Academy website at the following link: AI governance in practice: developing secure and innovative frameworks | ITU Academy. Please note that online applications are open until **30 May 2026.**

Participation is provided free of charge for selected applicants, including accommodation, most meals, and some extracurricular activities. However, selected participants or their organizations will be responsible for covering their own travel expenses to and from Geneva, Switzerland, as well as any applicable visa application costs.

Please note that the training will be delivered in English, and participation is limited to **30 seats**. Women and participants from developing countries are strongly encouraged to apply. All entry and selection requirements can be found on the course's webpage.

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the ITU Academy team at ituacademy@itu.int.

We look forward to your active participation in this transformative course.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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