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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States from Africa and Arab States regions,
- ITU-D Sector Members from Africa and Arab States regions,
- ITU Academia from Africa and Arab States regions,
- National Regulatory Authorities from Africa and Arab States regions,
- National CIRTs from Africa and Arab States regions,
- United Nations and Specialized Agencies, and
- Regional and International Organizations.

**Subject: Invitation to the Inter-Regional CyberDrill for the Africa and Arab States Regions,
30 June -3 July 2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the **“Inter-Regional CyberDrill for the Africa and Arab States Regions”** to be held from **30 June to 3 July 2026** in Victoria Falls, Republic of Zimbabwe. This event is organized jointly by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and hosted by the Postal and Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of Zimbabwe (POTRAZ).

The aim of the event, intended for **Administrations, institutions, national CIRT/CERT/SOC, national cybersecurity teams with technical officials, management-level officials and law enforcement officers**, is to strengthen communication and incident response capabilities of the participating teams, fostering ongoing collaboration to effectively counter cyber threats in the regions.

On the first day, there will be sessions focused on sharing knowledge and best practices, providing a platform for cooperation and discussions on cybersecurity. The second day will be dedicated to a workshop aimed at building technical capacities.

The final two days will be dedicated to CyberDrill exercises, structured around various scenarios involving the most common types of cyberattacks.

The technical capacity-building workshop and simulation scenarios and specialized technical training sessions have limited space; therefore, early registration is recommended as first-come, first-served policy would apply.

Since an important feature of this event is to conduct CyberDrills/simulations on several practical cyber threat scenarios, the participation of at least two team members from your national CIRT and one senior cybersecurity manager from your country is highly recommended.

Each participant must meet the Zimbabwean entry requirements and cover their own travel and accommodation costs. If you require a visa to enter Zimbabwe, consider the necessary time for its approval, and the possibility of requesting a letter of invitation from the government to be presented to the Zimbabwean consulate in your country.

For more details, please visit <http://itu.int/go/IRCDAFAR26>. Please note that online registration is required to participate in the four-day event.

Should you require any further information, Mr. Serge Valery ZONGO, ITU Africa Regional Office (E-mail: serge.zongo@itu.int, phone number: +41 22 730 5323), Ms. Riham FAKHRY, ITU Regional Office for the Arab States (E-mail: riham.fakhry@itu.int , phone number: +41 22 730 5676), or Mr. Zivo Keith Chamba, Data Protection Authority, POTRAZ, Republic of Zimbabwe (E-mail: chamba@dpa.zw, phone number: +263 785 153 955) are at your disposal to assist you.

I look forward to your active participation in this training event.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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