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|  | **To:*** Administrations of Member States of the Union;
* Ministries and Regulators
* ITU-T and ITU-D Sector Members;
* ITU-T and ITU-D Associates;
* ITU Academia

**Copy to:**- The Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of ITU-D and ITU-T Study Groups;- The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau |

**Subject: ITU Workshop on “Multimedia applications and the future of digital society”
(Ljubljana, Slovenia, 9 July 2018)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 We would like to inform you that the International Telecommunication Union is organizing the **ITU Workshop on Multimedia applications and the future of digital society**, which will take place on 9 July 2018 at the Ljubljana Exhibition and Convention Centre, Dunajska cesta 18, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

This event will be held back to back with the meeting of [ITU-T Study Group 16](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2017-2020/16/Pages/default.aspx) on Multimedia taking place from 9-20 July in the same venue.

This workshop will be also held within the context of the European Regional Initiative approved by WTDC-17 on “A citizen-centric approach to building services for national administrations”, aiming at facilitating the development of transformative and paperless citizen-centric services that could be accessible and available to all members of society.

2 The workshop will be conducted in English only and remote participation will be provided.

3 This workshop will focus on how multimedia applications affect culture and lifestyles, and how it can improve life outcomes in our increasingly digital lives, by addressing new and existing multimedia technologies including artificial intelligence for health, vehicular multimedia, immersive live experience and new trends on e-services including content delivery, blockchain and e-agriculture.

4 Participation in the workshop is open to ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academic Institutions and to any individual from a country that is a member of ITU who wishes to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members of international, regional and national organizations. Participation at the workshop is free of charge, however no fellowships will be granted.

5 Information relating to the workshop, including the draft programme and practical information, will be available on the event website at: <https://itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/20180709>. This website will be regularly updated as new or modified information becomes available. Participants are requested to check periodically for new updates.

6 Wireless LAN facilities will be available at the venue of the event.

7 Registration is mandatory for all participants planning to attend the workshop. You are invited to complete the online registration form <http://itu.int/reg/tmisc/3001081> no later than **4 July 2018. Please note that pre-registration of participants for this meeting is mandatory and will be carried out exclusively *online*.**

8 We would remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa to enter Slovenia. **The visa must be requested at least four (4) weeks before the date of beginning of the meeting** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Slovenia in your country. If there is no such office in your country, kindly avail of the visa services from the embassy or consulate that is closest to the country of your departure. Please see visit the [visa information page](http://www.kcmweb.de/conferences/ITU_SG16alias/visa-4.html) for additional information.

Yours faithfully,

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