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|  | Geneva, 13 October 2022 |
| Ref: | **TSB** **Collective letter 1/SG17RG-ARBSG17/XY** | * To Administrations participating in SG17RG‑ARB;
* To ITU-T Sector Members participating in SG17RG-ARB;
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| **Subject**: | **Meeting of ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Group for the Arab Region (SG17RG-ARB)Manama, Bahrain, 5 December 2022** |

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that, at the kind invitation of Telecommunications Regulatory Authority, Bahrain, **ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Group for the Arab Region** **(SG17RG-ARB)** will meet in **Manama, Bahrain on 5 December 2022**.

Additional information is set forth in **Annex A**, and a draft agenda – prepared by the SG17RG-ARB Chairman, Badar Ali Said AL SALEHI, Oman – can be found in **Annex B**. Practical information relating to the meeting will be posted on the SG17RG-ARB web page at: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/regionalgroups/SG17-ARB>.

Participation in the SG17RG-ARB meeting is defined in WTSA Resolution 54 Resolves 4, 5 and 6 (Rev. Geneva 2022). Please note that continuity of representation would be helpful to the group's work.

**Key deadlines**:

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| 5 November 2022 | - Pre-registration (online via the [SG17RG-ARB homepage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/regionalgroups/SG17-ARB/Pages/default.aspx))- Submit requests for visa support letters (practical information will be made available on the [SG17RG-ARB homepage](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/regionalgroups/SG17-ARB/Pages/default.aspx)) |
| 22 November 2022 | - Submit ITU-T Member contributions (by e-mail to tsbsg17@itu.int) |

I wish you a productive and enjoyable meeting.

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| Yours faithfully,Chaesub LeeDirector of the TelecommunicationStandardization Bureau |  ITU-T SG17RG-ARB |
| Latest meeting information |

**Annexes:** 2

ANNEX A
Additional information

**WORKING METHODS AND FACILITIES**

**DOCUMENT SUBMISSION AND ACCESS**: The meeting will be run paperless. Member Contributions and draft TDs should be submitted by e-mail to tsbsg17@itu.int using the [appropriate template](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/Pages/templates.aspx). Access to meeting documents is provided from the study group homepage and is restricted to ITU-T Members with an [ITU account](https://www.itu.int/en/ties-services) that has TIES access.

**WORKING LANGUAGES**: In agreement with the Chairman of the Group, the working language of the meeting will be English only.

**WIRELESS LAN** facilities and Internet access will be available at the venue of the event.

**PRE-REGISTRATION, FELLOWSHIPS AND VISA SUPPORT**

**PRE-REGISTRATION**: Pre-registration is mandatory and is to be done online via the Regional Group homepage **at least one month before the start of the meeting**. Member States are encouraged to consider gender balance and the inclusion of delegates with disabilities and with specific needs whenever possible.

**FELLOWSHIPS:** No fellowships will be provided for this meeting.

**VISA SUPPORT**: As this meeting is organized outside Switzerland, visa support requests are to be addressed directly to the host of the meeting. Instructions can be found in the “Practical information” section on the regional group webpage at: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/regionalgroups/SG17-ARB/Pages/default.aspx>.

**ANNEX B
Draft Agenda
Meeting of ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Group for the Arab Region (SG17RG-ARB)
Manama, 5 December 2022**

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Adoption of the agenda

3. Available documents (contributions and TDs)

4. Overview of ITU-T Study Group 17 and working methods

5. Review of outcomes of previous ITU-T SG17 meetings

6. Review of outcomes of previous SG17RG-ARB meetings

7. Structure and leadership SG17RG-ARB

8. Discussion based on Contributions to this meeting

9. SG17RG-ARB work plans

10. Future work programme and action list for SG17RG-ARB

11. Preparation of contributions to next SG17 meeting

12. Venue and date of next SG17RG-ARB meetings, future workshops

13. Any other business

14. Closure of the meeting