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To:

- All Arab Administrations & Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Regional/International Organizations

**Subject: Regional Cyber Drill ALERT (Applied Learning for Emergency Response Teams)
Third edition for Arab Region, Hurghada-Egypt, 17-19 May 2015**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the ITU Arab Regional Cybersecurity Centre (ARCC) and the ITU Arab Regional Office (ARO), we are pleased to invite you to participate in the Arab Regional Cyber Drill-Applied Learning for Emergency Response Teams (ALERT) for the Arab Region, which is dedicated for National Arab CIRT's. This event will be held in Hurghada, Egypt at the Palm Royale Soma Bay Hotel from 17th to 19th May 2015, and will be hosted by the National Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (NTRA) of Egypt. The Cyber Drill will be followed by a Capacity building workshop from 20 to 21 May 2015 on Critical National Infrastructure Protection, as part of the annual activities of the ITU's Arab Regional Office.

Countries that have their own national CIRTs are invited to participate with a team of three to four technicians in addition to one management member or a decision maker as an observer (optional), while countries that have not yet completed the establishment of their National CIRT can participate as an observer (1 to 4 observers).

The objective of this Cyber Drill is to enhance communication, team work, and participating teams' incident response capabilities to ensure continued collective efforts against cyber threats through the CIRT of the region. The Cyber Drill will be preceded by a workshop covering a variety of notable topics in addressing computer emergency response matters.

Additional information about the event such the agenda, practical information, together with the registration link will be available online on the following page:

http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Cybersecurity/Pages/Egypt_cyberdrill_2015.aspx

The registration should be completed not later than 10th May 2015. Participants are strongly advised to apply, as early as possible, for their entry visas to Egypt.

In order to encourage the participation of some administrations from LDCs in these events; there are limited number of Full Fellowship covering the accommodation and the air tickets for one delegate from each Arab LDCs. Administrations wishing to benefit from this fellowship, should fill in the Fellowship Request Form (which is available on the webpage of the Forum) and to send it to: bdtfellowships@itu.int with Copy to Rania-Refaat.Danial@itu.int at least before 25 April 2015.



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