

ITU Competition on training on emergency telecommunications

Terms & Conditions

1. By entering the competition on emergency telecommunications (the “Competition”), you accept the present terms and conditions and warrant that all information submitted by you is true, current and complete. The International Telecommunication Union (the “Organizer”) as well as the United States Telecommunications Training Institute (“USTTI” or the “Facilitator”) reserve the right to verify the eligibility of all participants.
2. The Competition aims at selecting the most suitable participants to enroll in a two-week USTTI training comprising a sequence of 4 courses on emergency telecommunications (Satellite Services and Disaster Response, Disaster Preparedness and Response, Disaster Communications Planning, Disaster Communications Management , see: <http://ustti.org/courses/list.php?TopicID=4>; the “Training”) to contribute to the development of their country’s use of ICTs for disaster risk reduction and management, and the development of their national emergency telecommunications plan. The Training will be taught in English and will take place from 21/10/2019 to 01/11/2019 at USTTI’s seat in Washington, DC 20036-4131, USA.
3. The Competition is open to any individuals from Member States of ITU that are considered Developing Countries (ITU Member States: https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/fmd/pages/administrations_members.aspx; Developing Countries: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/pages/definitions/regions.aspx>). Employees of ITU or USTTI or relatives of the judges in the Competition are not eligible to participate in the Competition.
4. No purchase of payment of any kind is required to enter or win this Competition.
5. Individuals wishing to register for the Competition must complete the online registration form at the [USTTI website](#), filling out their personal details and choosing all of the following four courses from the “*Course Selections*”:
19-350 Satellite Services and Disaster Response;
19-351 Disaster Preparedness and Response;
19-352 Disaster Communications Planning and
19-353 Disaster Communications Management.

The applicants are required to answer the following three questions, which will form the basis for selecting the winners, whereas questions number 1) and 2) are included in the application form under “*Applicant Training Goals*” and question number 3) will have to be sent to get@itu.int, together with the confirmation of submission of the online application form, which will be sent to the Applicants via e-mail upon submission of the application form:

1) Please explain in 100-125 words how training you would benefit your company/organization and your country; 2) What potential leadership role might you play upon your return home?; 3) How will this training help you in contributing to the development (or improvement) of your country's national emergency telecommunication plan.

The total word count in the answers to questions 1) and 2) may exceed 100-125 words, but the total word count for all three questions may **not** exceed 600 words. All entries must be submitted in English. Only one application per individual may be submitted. The deadline for application is March 15, 2019, midnight (GMT-5). **For all inquiries regarding the application process or the Competition in general, applicants may contact get@itu.int.**

6. The Organizer is not responsible for lost, late, corrupted, mutilated or misdirected applications, or applications not received in time for judging.
7. Three (3) winners will be selected. The selection of the winners of the Competition will be made by a panel of judges, consisting of ITU and USTTI experts in the area of emergency telecommunications, on the basis of the answers submitted in the three questions in the registration form (see Section 5 above). Answers will be evaluated based on their relevance and coherence, with each question being equally weighed. Decisions of the judges are final and without appeal.
8. The three winners will be announced during the WSIS Forum 2019 (8-12 April, 2019). The Organizer will notify the winners via email prior to this announcement. Upon e-mail notification, acceptance must be confirmed within 48 hours by the winners. If confirmation is not received within the aforementioned period, the Organizer reserves the right to withdraw its choice of winner, by notifying the respective individual accordingly.
9. In order to participate in the Training,:
 - a. The three winners will each receive a waiver of the training fees of the Training,, courtesy of USTTI;
 - b. [ITU](#) will provide the three winners with (i) a round trip economy flight ticket to/from Washington, (ii) health and accident insurance coverage for the duration of the Training and (iii) approximately 320 USD/day in advance payment as accommodation and subsistence allowance for the duration of the Training.
10. Notwithstanding the previous section, the participants shall be responsible for defraying all other costs and expenses arising from or relating to their participation in the Training, including costs which exceed the accommodation and subsistence allowance mentioned above. Moreover, participants shall be solely responsible for meeting all necessary visa requirements and having all necessary travel documentation in order prior to travel.
11. No substitution or transfer of a prize by the winners is permitted.
12. At the request of the Organizer, winners will be required to provide updates on how the Training has helped them to contribute to the development of their country's national

emergency telecommunications plan. These updates may consist of short blog posts, which will be uploaded on the Organizer's website and made available to the public.

13. By participating and winning in the Competition, the winners permit the Organizer to use the winners' name, likeness and/or photograph for promotional and awareness purposes in any media, worldwide, at no remuneration for the winners.
14. By entering the Competition, participants agree to release and hold harmless the Organizer and the Facilitator from and against any and all claims, expenses, and liability, including but not limited to negligence and damages of any kind to persons and property, infringement of trademark, copyright or other intellectual property rights arising out of or relating to their participation in the Competition and the contents of their submissions.
15. The Organizer reserves the right, in their sole discretion, to disqualify any participant in violation or suspected violation of the present Terms and Conditions.
16. The Organizer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to abbreviate, modify, suspend, cancel or terminate the Competition without any future obligation, by notifying the participants via an announcement by email.
17. The Organizer reserves the right to make all final decisions. Nothing herein shall be considered to be a limitation or a waiver of the privileges and immunities of the ITU, which are specifically reserved.