



**Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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**To: Communications Administrations,
ITU-D Sector Members and Associates;
Regional organizations**

Subject: ITU Regional Seminar on *Co-evolution of Infocommunication Technologies and Society, or Ways to the Society without Frontiers*, Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation, 5-7 June 2013

Dear Mr/Ms,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I am pleased to invite you to the Regional Seminar for the CIS countries on *Co-evolution of Infocommunication Technologies and Society, or Ways to the Society without Frontiers* organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau in cooperation with Saint Petersburg State University of Telecommunications (SPbGUT) named after professor M.Bonch-Bruevich and held in Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation from 5 to 7 June 2013.

This Seminar is intended for representatives from ministries, regulators, telecommunication operators, universities and other stakeholders of the ITU Member States, Sector Members and Associates from the CIS Region.

The Seminar is aimed at analyzing the processes of co-evolution of infocommunication technologies and society. The Seminar will consider issues such as: the role of knowledge infrastructures in creation of knowledge-based economy; specifics of building of cognitive infocommunication systems and their role in Intellectualization of city and national anthropogenic infrastructures; intellectualization of anthropogenic infrastructure; technologies of building of cognitive radio and their influence on frequency resource market and quality of services; resource-effective designing of city cognitive networks aimed at improving quality of services provided to the subscribers; the position of network technologies in the system of intellectual management of city traffic flows; trends in the development of access networks and others.

The workshop language is Russian.

The workshop will be paperless. All the Seminar materials, including presentations will be available on the ITU site: http://www.itu.int/ru/ITU-D/ICT-Applications/Pages/CIS_Co-Evolution_of ICTs_5-7_June_2013.aspx.

No registration fee will be required. All expenses of the workshop participants are to be covered by the sending organization.

I am pleased to inform you that one full or two partial fellowships per administration will be awarded, subject to available funding, to facilitate participation of Low Income Developing Countries. An application

for a fellowship must be authorized by the relevant Administration of the ITU Member State. In this regard, we kindly ask you to fill out the attached Fellowship Request Form (Annex 4) and send it to the ITU Fellowship Service by fax: +41 22 730 57 78 or email: bdtfellowships@itu.int by **15 May 2013**.

If you wish to participate in the workshop, you are kindly requested to fill out the Registration Form attached (Annex 2) and send it to the contacts persons indicated in the form not later than **22 May 2013**.

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Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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Director

Annexes:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Registration Form
3. Practical Information
4. Fellowship Request Form
5. Visa Support Form
6. Hotel Reservation Form