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Subject:

Regional Forum for AMS Region: IMT Systems - Technology, Evolution and Implementation, Panama City, Panama, 18-19 August 2014

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite you to participate in the **Regional Forum for AMS Region: IMT Systems - Technology, Evolution and Implementation,** which will be held from 18 to 19 August 2014 in Panama. This Forum will take place back to back with the "II Regional Telecommunications Congress" organized by Autoridad Nacional de los Servicios Públicos (ASEP) of Panama, the *Asociación Iberoamericana de Centros de Investigación y Empresas de Telecomunicaciones (AHCIET)*, CAF - *Banco de Desarrollo de América Latina* and GSMA LA.

The objective of this event is to highlight the importance of the IMT for ICT development and emphasize the need to adopt harmonized solutions to issues related to technological advancement and spectrum availability for IMT systems roll out in the future.

The Forum is targeted towards senior officials from policy making organizations, regulators, industry, national spectrum managing organizations, academia, and international organizations involved in developing ICT policies, technologies, regulations, operations, strategies and other associated development activities. Please find attached in Annex 1 the Draft Agenda. More information can be found in the web page of the event.

Registration of participants will be exclusively <u>online</u> and remain open until 15 August 2014. Please consider, if necessary, the application procedure for a visa to enter Panama. For more information, you are invited to visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (http://mire.gob.pa).

Please note that there is no participation fee for the event. All travel and accommodation arrangements must be made by and paid for by the participating entity.

We look forward to active participation from your organization in this important regional event.

Mr Sergio Scarabino (ITU Area Office in Chile, $\underline{sergio.scarabino@itu.int}$, Tel.: +56 2 2632 6134 / +56 2 2632 6147) remains at your disposal should you require further information.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

Brahima Sanou Director

Annex1: Draft Agenda

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