

Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

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To:

- ITU Member States;
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia;
- Regional organizations in the Americas region;
- National Regulatory Authorities of ITU Member States.

Subject: ITU Regional Economic Dialogue of Telecommunications/ICTs, México, 04-06

September 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to the ITU Regional Economic Dialogue of Telecommunications/ICTs to be held in Mexico City, Mexico from 4 to 6 September 2018. This activity is organized by the ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), in close collaboration with the Federal Telecommunications Institute - IFT of Mexico.

All participants are kindly invited to pre-register online for all events by **21 August 2018** at www.itu.int/go/regitud.

The necessary practical information will be published soon at www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Americas/Pages/Events.aspx.

The Regional Economic Dialogue of Telecommunications/ICT will focus, among other interesting subjects, on connecting the unconnected in a digital converged world, the economic and financial issues in a converged broadband environment and the new challenges in the digital ecosystem. Participants are invited to make presentations or participate as panellists to illustrate the situation in their countries on these issues, in order to promote dialogue and exchange of experiences. The provisional agenda is attached as Annex 1.

This Dialogue will also benefit from the presence of international experts involved in the work of ITU-D Study Group 1 Question 4/1 (*Economic policies and methods of determining the costs of services related to national telecommunication/ICT networks*) through the holding of an Experts' Knowledge Exchange on related topics, to be held the afternoon of Thursday 6 September, which is open to all participants.

The Forum will be conducted in English and Spanish with simultaneous interpretation. All presentations will be published in their original language on the above-mentioned website.

Participants should enquire in advance concerning visa requirements for Mexico and apply to the Consulate or Embassy of Mexico in their respective country.

Participants are requested to submit an update of their telecommunication sector scenario, by completing the ITU Tariff Policy Survey at: www.itu.int/ITU-D/icteye/ under Survey Login. For login information (password and username), please contact Ms Carmen Prado-Wagner (tariffs@itu.int).

In order to build on the work carried out and optimize the transfer of knowledge, we strongly recommend that, where possible, organizations designate representatives who have expertise and responsibility on costs and tariffs matters.

Mr Rodrigo Robles (rodrigo.robles@itu.int) from the ITU Area Office in Tegucigalpa is at your disposal. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact him.

I look forward to your participation in this event.

Yours faithfully,

(Original signed by)

Bruno Ramos Americas Regional Director

Annex 1: Provisional Agenda ITU Regional Economic Dialogue of Telecommunications/ICTs