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- Arab Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members and Associates
- Academia Institutions
- Regional and International Organizations concerned
- Regional chairs and vice chairs of the Advisory Groups (TSAG, TDAG, RAG) and Study Groups

Subject:Survey Questionnaire on "Development of a Model Policy, Regulatory Frameworks and
Assessments Guidelines on Human exposure to EMF and SAR in the Arab Region"

Dear Sir/Madam,

In implementation of the objectives and expected results of the ITU Arab Regional Initiative on "Environment and Climate Change and Emergency Telecommunications", ITU Arab Regional Office is currently developing a model policy, regulatory frameworks and assessments guidelines on human exposure to Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) and Specific Absorption Ratio (SAR) in the Arab Region.

The proposed model aims to help the Arab countries and to give advice to the ministries and regulatory bodies as well as the stakeholders interested in the topics of the model to set specifications or rules to promote the safety of individuals or group of people as well as regulatory and policy frameworks related to the topics referred to above.

In order to involve all relevant stakeholders as well as policy-makers, regulators, engineers, radio stations designers, smart city planners, government officials, standards experts, academia and others, the regional office has prepared a survey questionnaire to collect some Information and data that will be analyzed in order to contribute to the development of this model.

We invite you to fill out this questionnaire and to extend this invitation to the local stakeholders interested in the subjects of this survey to participate in it, to maximize the sources that rely on the information contained therein in order to reflect the real situation in the Arab region, noting that the deadline for reply is **1 July 2019**. The questionnaire is available on the following link (<u>Click here</u>).

For more information about this model and the questionnaire, please contact Eng. Mustafa Al Mahdi, Programme Administrator at ITU ARO, E-mail (<u>Mustafa-Ahmed.Al-Mahdi@itu.int</u>) and Mr. Rakesh Kumar Bhatnagar, Senior ITU EMF Consultant at Email (<u>bhatnagarrk@gmail.com</u>).

Looking forward to your active participation in this survey questionnaire, which effectively will contribute to the development of this model.

Yours sincerely,

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