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-   Arab Regulators
-   ITU-D Sector Members and Associates
-   Academia Institutions
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-   Regional chairs and vice chairs of the Advisory Groups and Study Groups
-   Ministries of Environments (MoEs)
-   National Statistics Offices (NSOs)

Subject: ITU-UNEP-UNU Joint Online Workshop on WEEE: Towards regional harmonization of national WEEE policies, regulations and standards in the Arab States

Dear Madam/Sir,

We are pleased to invite you to the above-mentioned online workshop, organized jointly by International Telecommunications Union, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and United Nations University (UNU), which will be held online on **02-03 Dec 2020, from 14:00 to 17:00 PM (Cairo Time).** The online workshop will be conducted in Arabic, English and French with simultaneous interpretation.

The overall objective of this workshop is to harmonize and synergize the ITU, UNEP and UNU activities on environmental sounds management of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE), through a harmonized approach to regional WEEE policy and regulation development in Arab region. In addition, the workshop will highlight the key WEEE definitions and concepts, and data collection and improvement, WEEE policy, legislation, and regulation as well as explain the underlying concepts and the role that a wide range of stakeholders could play in developing WEEE management systems and the policy landscape.

The event targets specialists in the field of ICTs ministries and regulators, national statistics offices, ministries of environments, mobile network operators and other government agencies dealing with management of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (municipalities, ministries, and customs).

Please note that all the information related to the workshop, including the draft programme, registration link and connectivity requirements, will be available on the event's website (Click here)[1]. We encourage you to participate and to register in this important event through the above-mentioned link. Please note that the deadline for registration is **01 December 2020**. Should you require any further information or need clarification on the workshop, please do not hesitate to contact: Eng. Mustafa Al Mahdi, ITU Arab Regional Office, E-mail: (mustafa-ahmed.al-mahdi@itu.int), or Mr. Abdouraman Bary, Regional Office for Africa, E-mail: (abdouraman.bary@un.org) or Dr. Kees Baldé, UNU-ViE-SCYCLE, E-mail: (balde@vie.unu.edu).

Looking forward to your active participation and fruitful contribution to this important event.

Yours faithfully,

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[1] https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/ArabStates/Pages/Events/2020/WEEE/WEEE.aspx