

Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

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To ITU Member Administrations and Regulators in the Asia-Pacific Region

Subject: (1) ITU-TRAI Asia-Pacific Regulators' Roundtable, 21-22 August 2017

(2) ITU-TRAI International Training Program, 23-25 August 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), I would like to invite you to nominate participants for the "ITU-TRAI Asia-Pacific Regulators" Roundtable" and the "ITU-TRAI International Training Program (ITP) 2017". The events are organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) and will be held from 21 to 25 August 2017 in New Delhi, India.

For over seven years, the Regulators' Roundtable has provided telecommunication/ICT regulators in the Asia-Pacific region with a platform that fosters dynamic and strategic discussions, sharing of information, relevant experiences and practices as well as conclusively debate on possible solutions and opportunities for potential collaboration to address emerging regulatory issues and challenges.

The ITU-TRAI International Training Program 2017 will build skills to address the policy and regulatory issues in the era beyond convergence of telecommunications and information technology. In particular, the event will focus on the implications of Collaborative Regulation for Digital Societies. The Program will highlight the building blocks required to ensure that regulatory measures remain relevant and appropriate for the new environment. It will bring together international experiences in this area with a focus on India's experiences and the lessons learnt.

The provisional agenda of the Regulators' Roundtable and ITP- 2017 (Annex 1 A and Annex 1B) will be updated regularly and made available at http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/AsiaPacific/Pages/Events.aspx

Details on accommodation and other useful information for participants for the two events are also available at the same link. Interested participants are requested to complete the registration form (Annex 2) and not later than 31 July 2017. Please note that participation in the Regulators' Roundtable is limited to senior representatives of telecommunication/ICT policy making and regulatory agencies only. Both events will be conducted in English and will be paperless.

ITU is pleased to inform you that one full fellowship will be offered to one participant duly authorized by the respective ITU Administration from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and low-income countries with a per capita gross domestic product (GDP) not exceeding USD 2'000 from the Asia-Pacific Region, subject to available budget and to full participation at the Training Program and the Roundtable. *The deadline for fellowship applications is* 21 July 2017. The Fellowship Application Form is attached (Annex 3).

Mr Sameer Sharma of the ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (telephone: +66 2 575 0055, email: sameer.sharma@itu.int) and Ms Porntip Modethes (email: porntip.modethes@itu.int) are at the disposal of participants who require assistance for the Regulators' Roundtable and the International Training Program.

I look forward to your positive reply at your earliest convenience and to welcoming you and your colleagues to New Delhi, where I am confident that your active participation will contribute to the success of the Regulators' Roundtable and the International Training Program 2017.

Yours faithfully,

Brahima Sanou Director

Annexes: as mentioned