Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)
Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Regional organisations in Asia-Pacific
- Industry, private sector, organisations dealing with telecommunications/ICTs

Subject: **Initiation to the 3rd Asia-Pacific Regional Forum on Smart Cities and e-Government 2017 (21-22 September 2017) and the Annual IoT Asia Pacific Summit (23 September 2017), Bangkok, Thailand**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and its partners, I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the *"3rd Asia-Pacific Regional Forum on Smart Cities and e-Government 2017"*, which will take place on *21-22 September 2017* at IMPACT Exhibition and Convention Center, Bangkok, Thailand. The forum is jointly organized by ITU, World e-Governments Organization of Cities and Local Governments (WeGO), and Forum Global; and hosted by the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES), Government of Kingdom of Thailand with support from the Australian Government. The forum will be followed by the **Annual IoT Asia Pacific Summit 2017**, which will take place on *23 September 2017* at the same venue. The events will be held in conjunction with the Thailand Digital Big Bang 2017 which is organized by the MDES during 21 to 24 September 2017.

The 3rd Asia-Pacific Regional Forum on Smart Cities and e-Government 2017 features high-level discussions and dialogues among public and private organizations. The forum convenes senior policy makers, industry and other stakeholders from the ICT sector to deliberate the opportunities and challenges of developing sustainable smart city strategies and digital government policies. More importantly, the forum provides a platform for collaborating and networking as well as exhibiting innovations. More detail about the events and online registration can be found at http://itu.int/go/sceg2017.

Subject to available fund, ITU is pleased to provide **one full fellowship** for each eligible country from Asia-Pacific Region. Applicants requesting fellowships are required to submit the Fellowship Request form duly endorsed by their respective administration together with the confirmed online registration, no later than **31 August 2017.**

Mr. Wisit Atipayakoon, ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, (email: wisit.atipayakoon@itu.int, Tel: +662 575 3500, Fax: +662 575 3507) is at your full disposal for any further information you may need.

I look forward to your active participation in this workshop.

Yours sincerely,

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Annexes: Provisional agenda