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- International and United Nations Organizations in Asia and the Pacific region

Subject: Invitation to the Workshop on “AI-Powered Early Warning Systems: Building Resilient Infrastructure for All”, 1 – 3 December, Bangkok - Thailand

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the workshop on “AI-Powered Early Warning Systems: Building Resilient Infrastructure for All,” to be organized from 1-3 December 2026 in Bangkok, Thailand.

The workshop is being organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and hosted by the Office of the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission of Thailand (NBTC), to support regional efforts to strengthen people-centred, inclusive and technology-enabled early warning systems. As the Early Warnings for All initiative approaches its 2027 milestone, the workshop will enable Asia-Pacific stakeholders to assess achievements, set future technology and innovation priorities, and develop measurable regional actions for the period to 2030.

The workshop will address the integration of artificial intelligence across the early warning value cycle, including risk and vulnerability mapping, hazard forecasting, resource optimization and mapping for last mile early warning dissemination. The workshop will connect these applications with the institutional and technical systems required for effective warning dissemination, including the Common Alerting Protocol, Cell Broadcast, resilient data centers, infrastructure sharing and cross-sector data partnerships.

The workshop is intended for mid- to senior-level representatives of ICT Ministries, regulators, telecommunications operators, digital infrastructure providers and other relevant institutions from across the Asia-Pacific region. All relevant documents, such as the event draft programme (see also **Annex 1**), registration form, and practical information for participants, can be accessed on the ITU event website at <http://itu.int/go/AI-EWS>.

Fellowships

To encourage participation of eligible countries, with priority to Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), one full fellowship may be granted per eligible Member State, subject to availability of funds. Applications from Low Income Developing countries and Least Developed countries (LDCs) from Asia and the Pacific may also be

considered based on eligibility of funds. Full fellowships will cover the cost of air ticket (one return economy class ticket by the most direct/economical route from the country of origin to the meeting venue), and appropriate daily subsistence allowance intended to cover accommodation, meals and incidental expenses. Member States shall cover the remainder of the cost of the participation.

Member States are encouraged to select their candidates taking into consideration the inclusion of persons with disabilities and persons with specific needs, bearing in mind gender balance. The duly validated fellowship request form (**Annex 2**) and its annexes, if any, must be returned to the Fellowships Service by e-mail to fellowships@itu.int or by fax: + 41 22 730 57 78, by **16 October 2026** at the latest. Registration prior to submitting the fellowship request is mandatory.

Should you need further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Aamir Riaz, (aamir.riaz@itu.int) for any questions you might have.

I look forward to the active participation of your Administration/Organization in this event.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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Director

Annex 1: Draft Programme

Annex 2: Fellowship Application form