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To: Administrations of ITU Member States, Regulators and ITU-D Sector Members of the Asia-Pacific Region

Subject: Invitation to the ITU Regional Workshop for the Asia-Pacific on "Lifecycle and Development of National Cybersecurity Strategies", 20th February 2020, Melbourne, Australia

Dear Sir/Madam

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I would like to invite you to the **ITU Regional** Workshop for the Asia-Pacific on "Lifecycle and Development of National Cybersecurity Strategies" to be held on 20th February 2020, in Melbourne, Australia.

This workshop is being co-organised with Oceania Cyber Security Centre (OCSC). Delegates to the workshop are also invited to participate in the **Global Cybersecurity Capacity Building Conference** which will take place prior to the workshop on **18th February 2020**.

The workshop aims to assist countries in creating an effective national cybersecurity framework to support their socio-economic development and provide ways to improve national cybersecurity posture, following the <u>Guide to Developing a National Cybersecurity Strategy</u>. The guide is a comprehensive resource developed through a multi-stakeholder effort involving 12 partners from the public and private sectors: intergovernmental and international organizations, private sector, academia and civil society.

This workshop is designed for senior level management from policy makers, regulators, corporate executives, and managers undertaking cybersecurity responsibilities in their respective organizations, in particular, for cybersecurity officials in charge of drafting ICT national policies and strategies (including from the legislative perspective), as well as representatives of entities in charge of implementation such policies, legal frameworks and regulations.

The provisional agenda of the ITU Regional Workshop (Annex 1), and the Global Cybersecurity Capacity Building Conference are (Annex 2), will be updated regularly and made available at https://itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/AsiaPacific/Pages/ITU-regional-workshop-national-cybersecurity-strategies.aspx.

Details on accommodation and other useful information for participants for the two events are also available at the same link.

To register for the ITU Regional Workshop for the Asia-Pacific on "National Cybersecurity Strategies", kindly complete the attached form in Annex 3 and send it to Ms Porntip Modethes at <u>porntip.modethes@itu.int</u>, no later than Monday, 3rd February 2020.

Should delegates be interested to attend the Global Cybersecurity Capacity Building Conference on the 18th February 2020, please express your interest to Ms. Kate Pacalt Shady at <u>kate.pacaltshady@ocsc.com.au</u> to receive further assistance concerning the registration. Kindly indicate during registration that you are attending as an "ITU member".

I look forward to your positive reply and to welcome you and your colleagues to Melbourne, Australia. I am confident that your active participation will contribute to the success of the Workshop.

Yours faithfully,

Sameer Sharma Regional Director a.i.