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To:
- Administrations of ITU Member States from the CIS region
- ITU-D Sector Members and Associates from the CIS region
- ITU Academia from the CIS region

Subject: **ITU Regional Forum "Future Technologies: Artificial Intelligence, Metaverse, Holography and other ICT Applications and Services. Vision 2030", 9-11 June 2025, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation**

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) **Regional Forum "Future Technologies: Artificial Intelligence, Metaverse, Holography and other ICT Applications and Services. Vision 2030",** taking place from 9-11 June 2025 in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation. This event is co-organized by the ITU and the Regional Commonwealth in the Field of Communications (RCC) with the support of the Ministry of Digital Development, Communications and Mass Media of the Russian Federation.

The Forum will be held within the framework of the ITU Regional Initiatives and ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) and PJSC "Rostelecom" joint project "International Research, Development and Testing Centre for new equipment, technologies, and services (IRDTC) - Phase 2".

This Forum will bring together leading experts, industry stakeholders, and policymakers to explore the transformative potential of emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Telepresence, Metaverse and other emerging ICT applications and services. The event will provide a platform to discuss cutting-edge advancements, share best practices, and develop actionable strategies to shape the future of telecommunications.

The draft agenda is attached hereto (Annex 1).

The Forum will be conducted in Russian and English with simultaneous interpretation. The event will be paperless. All materials of the Forum, including registration link, will be available on the web-page: https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/CIS/Pages/EVENTS/2025/FoCForum.aspx

There is no participation fee for this event. However, all expenses related to the travel, accommodation and insurance of participants should be covered by your Administration/Organization.

The Forum will be held back to back with the meetings of the ITU-T Study Group 11 Regional Group for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Transcaucasia (SG11RG-EECAT), ITU-T Study Group 13 Regional Group for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Transcaucasia (SG13RG-EECAT) and ITU-T Study Group 20 Regional Group for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Transcaucasia (SG20RG-EECAT) taking place on 9-11 June. The invitations letters for ITU-T meetings are sent by TSB secretariat accordingly.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Farid Nakhli, Programme Coordinator, ITU Regional Office for CIS, tel.: +7 495 926 60 70, email: farid.nakhli@itu.int.

I look forward to your valuable participation and contribution to this event.

Yours faithfully,

(Original signed)

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