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**REGIONAL OFFICE FOR AFRICA**

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To: ITU Administrations, Regulators, Sector Members, Associates and Academia Members, Telecom Operators and Service providers, Manufacturers and Academic Institutions of the Africa region

Subject: **Conformity and Interoperability Training for Africa Region, Tunis, Tunisia, 30<sup>th</sup> April - 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing a **Training Course on Conformity and Interoperability for the Africa Region** entitled **Conformance and Interoperability (C&I): regulatory framework and practical EMC tests including Creation of Basic lab facilities**, in collaboration with, and in the premises of the Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche des Télécommunications Lab (CERT), in Tunis (Tunisia) **from 30<sup>th</sup> April – 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018**.

The Training Course is open to experts conducting activities on Conformity and Interoperability including practical work on EMC (Electromagnetic Compatibility) in their own countries. This year the training will focus on Conformity and interoperability regulation framework including Type Approval and creation of Basic lab facilities. Test labs will also be presented and discussed. Practical testing sessions will be conducted for EMC, Immunity and Emission testing.

CERT has offered to train in both English and French. Participants are welcome from both English-speaking and French-speaking countries.

There are no participation fees for the training. However, travel arrangements and accommodation should be made and borne by the participating entity.

I invite you to visit our website (<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Technology/Pages/Events.aspx>) for additional/detailed information on logistics (hotels, visa, etc.) and other relevant material such as the Programme, Registration and Fellowship Forms.

In order to benefit from this training programme, the name of your candidate should be submitted by email using the Registration Form and sent to [chali.tumelo@itu.int](mailto:chali.tumelo@itu.int) with copy to [tnd@itu.int](mailto:tnd@itu.int) **by 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018**. The registration form should clearly indicate the duties of the candidate and his/her background knowledge on Conformance and Interoperability issues.


Due to the limited number of seats available in the class, please be aware that **only one candidate per country may be accepted for the Training Course and selection will be done on first come first serve basis.** Candidates will be selected based on their duties and background knowledge of Conformance and Interoperability issues. Confirmation of admittance to the training course will be sent directly to the selected candidates. Candidates will be expected to give a brief of C&I status in their countries.

I am pleased to inform you that partial fellowships, subsistence allowance only, will be awarded within the limits of available funding to facilitate participation from Least Developed Countries (LDC) or Low Income Developing Countries (LIC) from the Africa Region. Application for fellowship, limited to one person per country, must be authorized by the relevant Administration of the ITU Member State. The Fellowship Request Form should be returned to ITU no later than **9<sup>th</sup> April 2018.**

Ms Chali Tumelo, ITU Area Office for Southern Africa in Harare, Zimbabwe (tel: +263 4 77 5939/40/41, fax: +263 4 77 1257, email: [chali.tumelo@itu.int](mailto:chali.tumelo@itu.int)) is at the disposal of participants who may require assistance.

I very much hope that you will be able to participate and share your views and valuable experience with other participants including contributions which will enrich the discussions and outputs of the Training Course.

Yours faithfully,

  
for Andrew Rugege  
Regional Director for Africa and  
Liaison to ECA and AU



CC: Brahim Sanou, BDT Director