The fourth meeting of the ITU-T Focus Group on Aviation Applications of Cloud Computing for Flight Data Monitoring (FG AC) is scheduled to take place from 18 to 20 August 2015 in Marina Del Rey, California, United States, kindly hosted by Teledyne Controls.

Participation in FG AC is open to ITU Member States, Sector Member, and Associates. It is also open to any individual from a country which is a member of ITU and who is willing to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members or representatives of interested standards development organizations or aviation stakeholders.

The meeting will open at 0900 hours on 18 August 2015 at the Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel, Marina Del Rey, California, United States. Participants check-in will begin at 0830 hours. No registration fee is required for participating in this meeting. The discussions will be held in English only.

To enable ITU to make the necessary arrangements concerning the organization of the Focus Group meeting, please register via the online form at http://itu.int/reg/tmisc/3000781 as soon as possible, but not later than 11 August 2015. Please note that registration of participants to the meeting is carried out exclusively online. To easily provide you with any updates concerning the meeting planning, please provide a valid e-mail address.

Information related to the meeting and the items for discussion at the meeting will be made available on the Focus Group web page: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/focusgroups/ac/. Please note that a TIES or Guest account is required to access some of the documents. A Guest account can be obtained at https://www.itu.int/net/iwm/public/frmUserRegistration.aspx.

In preparing documents, please use the basic template for the FG documents available from the Focus Group web page. Participants shall submit input documents in electronic format to ITU (tsbfgac@itu.int). In agreement with the Focus Group management, the deadline for document submission for this meeting is 11 August 2015.

Please note that this is a paperless meeting.

The items for discussion at the meeting, along with the contributions received, will be made available on the Focus Group web page: http://itu.int/en/ITU-T/focusgroups/ac/. Further updated information related to the meeting, including practical information and remote participation arrangements, will be also made available on the Focus Group web page.
7 For logistical information, including a dedicated website for attendees to book their hotel rooms at a preferential rate, please refer to Annex A of this document.

8 Remote Participation: As a remote delegate you will be able to hear discussions, see documents and presentations and interact with the remote meeting host. If you wish to participate as a remote delegate, you need to register at http://itu.int/reg/tmisc/3000781 as soon as possible, but not later than 11 August 2015. Detailed instructions will be made available to registered participants.

9 We would remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend any time in the USA. The visa must be requested and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing the USA in your country or, if there is no such office in your country, from the one that is closest to the country of departure. Please be aware that visa approval might take time so kindly make your visa request as soon as possible.

In case you need an invitation letter from Teledyne Controls to support your visa application, please register for the meeting as described above, and then kindly provide, not later than 24 July 2015, the confirmation number, your full name, affiliation, nationality and passport number to tsbgac@itu.int.
ANNEX A

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Marina Del Rey, California, United States, 18-20 August 2015

Practical information for participants

1 Event venue
Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel
Address: 4100 Admiralty Way
Marina del Rey
California 90292 USA
Tel.: +1 310 301 3000
Fax: +1 310 448 4870

2 Hotels
Preferential rates have been obtained with the meeting venue hotel, the Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel for US$229.00 per night. The preferential rate will be available until 24 July 2015.
Please use the reservation link to make online reservations at the preferential rate:

Book your group rate for Teledyne Controls

Rate details
Organizer: Teledyne Controls
Start date: 17 August 2015
End date: 20 August 2015
Rate valid until: 24 July 2015

3 Arrival and transportation
Please note that the Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel does not provide shuttle service.
The directions from the different airports to the meeting venue hotel are as follows:

- Los Angeles International Airport – LAX: Hotel direction: 4.5 miles NW
- Santa Monica Municipal Airport – SMO: Hotel direction: 4.7 miles SW
- Long Beach Airport – LGB: Hotel direction: 27.7 miles NW
- Burbank Bob Hope Airport – BUR: Hotel direction: 28.2 miles SW
4 Visa – Formalities for entering the USA
Generally, a citizen of a foreign country who wishes to enter the United States for temporary business stay must first obtain a non-immigrant visa, which is a category B-1 visa.
Please visit the following link to find out the necessary documentation you will need to ensure a smooth entry into the USA: http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/english/visit/visitor.html
Please also see paragraph 9 of this meeting announcement.

5 Currency and exchange
The official currency of the USA is the United States Dollar (USD or US$).
The approximate exchange rate is:
1 Euro = USD 1.12 (may vary)

6 Language
The official working language is English.

7 Climate
The climate in Marina Del Rey is subtropical-Mediterranean. In August, the warmest month, the average day time temperature rises to 84.8°F.

8 Local time
Standard Time Zone: UTC/GMT -8 Hours
Current Daylight Saving Time: UTC/GMT -7 Hours

9 Telecommunications
The area code for Marina Del Rey is +1 310.

10 Electricity
Electrical outlets in The USA are 60 cycles/120 volts, which is compatible with all US appliances. British and European appliances require a flat two-pin adaptor and 220-volt converter.

11 Health
There are no vaccination requirements for visitors to the United States.
12 Internet connectivity

Internet connection will be available at the meeting venue. Payment may be required at certain hotels.

13 Contact

For any further questions, please contact:

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