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| E-mail: | greenstandard@itu.int  | **Copy:**- To the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of ITU-T Study Groups;- To the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau;- To the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau;- To the Permanent Mission of Italy in Switzerland |

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| Subject: | **Workshop on “Using Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) for Climate Change Adaptation”Naples, Italy, 21 October 2013** |

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing a workshop on “**Using Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) for Climate Change Adaptation”** on
21 October 2013 in Naples, Italy.

This workshop will be held back to back with the second ITU-T Study Group 5 Rapporteurs’ meetings jointly organized with ETSI EE from 21 to 25 October 2013 in Naples, Italy.

These events will be kindly hosted at Telecom Italia Tilab premises in Naples.

The workshop will open at 10:30 hours. Registration will begin at 10:00 hours.

2 Discussions will be held in English. Remote participation will be available.

3 Participation is open to ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academic Institutions and to any individual from a country which is a member of ITU who wishes to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members of international, regional and national organizations. The workshop is free of charge.

4 Climate change is a complex and dynamic challenge. In order to reduce the impacts of climate change and increase resilience to future threats, developing countries must implement innovative strategies to adapt to changing climatic conditions.

By providing useful tools to monitor, record and analyze information about the changing climate and environment, ICTs can help countries in strengthening adaptive capacity and building resilience.

This workshop will discuss how the integration of ICTs and ICT standards in national adaptation policies can help countries to develop long term, creative and effective adaptive strategies, providing supports to information­gathering, decision­making, implementation and evaluation processes.

This workshop will bring together leading specialists in the field, from top policy-makers to engineers, designers, planners, government officials, regulators, standards experts and other related stakeholders.

5 A draft programme of the workshop is available on the event website at: <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/20131021/Pages/default.aspx>. Please do not hesitate to contact Cristina Bueti (cristina.bueti@itu.int) should you need additional information on the programme.

6 **Accommodation:** Detailed information on hotel accommodation, transportation, visa and health requirements will be made available on the event website: <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/20131021/Pages/default.aspx>.This website will be updated as new or modified information become available.

7 **Fellowships:** Unfortunately, ITU will not be able to provide fellowships due to budget restrictions.

8 **Registration**: To enable TSB to make the necessary arrangements concerning the organization of the workshops, please register for the event via the on-line form at: <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/20131021/Pages/default.aspx> as soon as possible. **Please note that pre-registration of participants to workshops is carried out exclusively *online***. Participants will be able to register onsite on
21 October 2013.

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 Italy. The visa must be requested and obtained from the Italian Embassy 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 see ITU-T website: <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/20131021/Pages/default.aspx> for additional information on visa requirements).

Yours faithfully,

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