



**Telecommunication  
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To Regulatory Associations

Subject: **Regulatory Associations Meeting, Libreville, Gabon, 8 June 2015**  
**Global Symposium for Regulators, Libreville, Gabon, 9-11 June 2015**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the annual meeting of Regulatory Associations that will precede the Global Symposium for Regulators 2015 (GSR15). This meeting will take place in Libreville, Gabon, in the afternoon of 8 June 2015 and will be organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with the Autorité de Régulation des Communications Electroniques et des Postes (ARCEP), Gabon.

Participation in the event is by invitation only as the event is reserved for Regulatory Associations, in particular the Head of the Secretariat and the Chairs. The Regulatory Associations meeting provides an opportunity to discuss, exchange information and build bridges towards better and more active cooperation between the Regulatory Associations in the various regions.

The topics for discussion this year will include: how to create an enabling environment to enhance access to international fiber communications; and, the role of regional and international organizations in International Mobile Roaming.

Please find attached the provisional agenda of the meeting.

You are invited as well to participate in the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR15) that will follow the Regulatory Associations meeting from 9 to 11 June 2015. This year, the GSR will discuss key issues and regulatory incentives to achieve digital opportunities, including innovative mechanisms that regulators can use to address the funding gaps, incentives to support financial innovations, facilitate new business models and secure infrastructure investment. Participants will also examine regulatory initiatives such as reviewing fiscal measures, promoting interoperability of online services, widespread use of mobile payment and preparing for the Internet of Things (IoT) in a world where humans and things are increasingly connected.

All information, including visa requirements for this meeting can be found at: [www.itu.int/gsr15](http://www.itu.int/gsr15).

Interpretation will be provided based on the requests of participants. You are therefore invited to indicate on the registration form whether you require languages other than English by 20 April 2015. Based on the requests made by this deadline, and provided there is at least one request for a given language, interpretation will be provided in the requested language.

Ms Sofie Maddens, Head, Regulatory and Market Environment Division is at your disposal should you require any information and can be contacted by e-mail: [gsr@itu.int](mailto:gsr@itu.int) or phone: +41 22 730 6256/730 5709.

Registration for GSR 2015 is open and Designated Focal Points of Regulatory Associations are requested to register their delegates via the GSR registration site. Both the registration site and the list of Focal Points can be accessed using a TIES log-in at this address: <http://www.itu.int/net3/ITU-D/meetings/registration/>.

Designated Focal Points of the Regulatory Associations are requested to send the list of their delegates not later than 7 May 2015, by e-mail to: [gsr@itu.int](mailto:gsr@itu.int).

I am looking forward to meeting you in Libreville.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

Brahima Sanou  
Director

Annex 1: Provisional programme



Libreville, Gabon  
8 June 2015

## Regulatory Associations Meeting – Provisional Programme

**13:30 – 14:30 REGISTRATION**

**14:30 – 14:45 OPENING CEREMONY**

Mr Lin Mombo, President of the Regulatory Board, Autorité de Régulation des Communications Electroniques et des Postes (ARCEP), Gabon and Chairman of the Regulatory Associations Meeting

Mr Brahima Sanou, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

**14:45 - 15:15 SESSION 1: PRESENTATION OF MAIN PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES**

Presentation of main projects and activities of each regulatory association with the aim of sharing good experiences and best practices

Interactive panel discussions

**15:15 – 16:00 SESSION 2:**

Creating an enabling environment to enhance access to international fiber communications

- Key issues
- The role of regional and international organizations
- Existing projects – overview of regional initiatives

Interactive panel discussions

**16:00 – 16:15 COFFEE BREAK**

**16:15 – 17:00 SESSION 3:**

The role of regional and international organizations in International Mobile Roaming

- Key issues
- The role of regional and international organizations
- Existing projects – overview of regional initiatives

Interactive panel discussions

**17:00 – 17:30 SESSION 4:**

Concluding Remarks