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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States in Asia and the Pacific region
- Regulators in Asia and the Pacific region
- ITU-D Sector Members in Asia and the Pacific region
- ITU-D Associate Members and Academia in Asia and the Pacific region

**Subject: ITU Regional Development Forum 2020 for the Asia and the Pacific region (RDF-ASP 2020)
Online from 2 to 5 November 2020**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to announce that the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Regional Development Forum for Asia and the Pacific region (RDF-ASP 2020) will be held online from 2 to 5 November 2020.

The objective of the RDF-ASP 2020 is to provide an opportunity for high-level dialogue between the ITU and decision-makers of ITU Member States, Sector Members as well as other stakeholders. It is planned to serve as a platform for assessing strategic orientations that may have an impact on the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)'s regional work plan, and to update participants on the implementation of the Buenos Aires Action Plan (BaAP), with particular emphasis on Asia and the Pacific Regional Initiatives (ASP-RIs) 2018-2021.

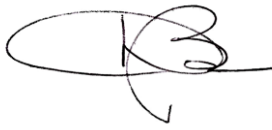
This year, the RDF-ASP 2020 will also include information on the planning towards the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2021 (WTDC-21) to be hosted next year in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The forum would also invite feedback and suggestions to adjust as well as contribute to the BDT's work in Asia and the Pacific region in the next operational cycle.

Please note that all information related to the Forum, including presentations, practical information and registration forms will be made available at the ITU website at: <http://itu.int/go/RDF-ASP2020>

A Provisional Agenda for RDF-ASP 2020 is attached for your consideration. The Forum will be conducted virtually in English with interpretation in Chinese and will not require any participation fees.

Should you require any further information, Mr Aamir Riaz (aamir.riaz@itu.int) would be your focal point for the event.

I look forward to your active participation for the success of the Forum.

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Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Director

Annex: Provisional Agenda