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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Regional Organizations from CIS/RCC

Subject: **ITU Regional Development Forum for members of CIS/RCC on “Broadband for Sustainable Development”, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, 31 March – 1 April 2015**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the ITU Regional Development Forum for members of CIS/RCC on “Broadband for Sustainable Development”, to be organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), in collaboration with the Republic of Moldova’s Ministry of Information Technology and Communications. The Forum will be held in Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, from 31 March to 1 April 2015.

Regional Development Forums provide an opportunity for high-level dialogue between the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) and decision-makers of ITU Member States and Sector Members. They serve as a platform for assessing strategic orientations that may have an impact on BDT’s regional work plan in between world telecommunication development conferences. In this context, these Forums will report on the activities of the Dubai Action Plan, with particular emphasis on regional initiatives in order to get feedback from membership to adjust BDT’s work in the regions.

The Forum will discuss in detail the five regional initiatives approved by WTDC-14, providing members with an opportunity to exchange experiences and best practice in the implementation of these initiatives. It will also pay special attention to the new ITU Strategic Plan for 2016-2019, the activities of the ITU-D Study Groups, and the activities of the ITU Centres of Excellence. The draft agenda of the Forum is attached as Annex 1.

The Forum will be conducted in Russian and English, with simultaneous interpretation. Please note that the Forum will be paperless: all material, including presentations, will be available on the ITU website at

http://www.itu.int/en/itu-d/regional-presence/cis/pages/events/2015/04_Chisinau/RDF-on-.aspx.

No participation fee is required for this event. However, all participants are to cover their own expenses for travel, accommodation and insurance. To participate, please register online using the link available at

http://www.itu.int/online/regsys/ITU-D/workshop/edrs.registration.form?_eventid=4000226 **no later than 16 March 2015.**

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Yours faithfully,

Brahima Sanou
Director

Annexes:

- Draft agenda
- Practical information
- Visa support form
- Hotel reservation form