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Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States from CIS region
- Regulators, ITU Sector Members, Associates, and Academia from CIS region

**Subject: ITU Regional Workshop for CIS “Strengthening Capacity Building in the field of Telecommunications/ICT”, Odessa, Ukraine, 12-14 April 2017**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to the ITU Regional Workshop for CIS **“Strengthening Capacity Building in the field of Telecommunications/ICT”** which is organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the ITU in collaboration with A.S. Popov Odessa National Academy of Telecommunications (ONAT) of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine and will be held **from 12 to 14 April 2017 in Odessa, Ukraine.**

This Workshop is addressed to representatives of ministries, regulators, telecom operators, universities and general education institutions, telecommunication equipment manufacturers, software developers and other interested stakeholders of the ITU Member States, Sector Members and Associates from the CIS.

The Workshop is aimed at experience exchange in the field of human capacity building in ICT. In particular, the Workshop will cover the following issues:

- role of governments and international organizations in human capacity building in the field of telecommunications/ICT;
- intensifying ICT implementation in education: best practices of using ICT to create additional opportunities for human capacity building;
- technical, organizational and procedural aspects of human capacity building for telecommunications/ICT development;
- ensuring safety of e-learning environment;
- ICT for inclusive education: use of ICT for training persons with disabilities.

The draft agenda is attached hereto (Annex 1).

The Workshop will be held in Russian with simultaneous interpretation into English. Kindly note that the Workshop will be paperless.

All materials of the Workshop, including presentations, will be available on the ITU site at: [http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/CIS/Pages/EVENTS/2017/04\\_Odessa/04\\_Odessa.aspx](http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/CIS/Pages/EVENTS/2017/04_Odessa/04_Odessa.aspx) as well as on the ONAT website at: <http://seminar.onat.edu.ua/>.

Although there is no participation fee for this meeting, please note that all expenses concerning travel,

accommodation and insurance of participants should be covered by your Administration/Organization.

Participants are invited to complete the registration form (Annex 2) and send it by email to [rdd@onat.edu.ua](mailto:rdd@onat.edu.ua) and [itumoscov@itu.int](mailto:itumoscov@itu.int) **no later than 31 March 2017**.

To encourage the participation of low-income developing countries and subject to the availability of funds, the ITU will grant one full or two partial fellowships per eligible country of the CIS Region. An application for a fellowship must be authorized by the relevant Administration. Those intending to apply for a fellowship are required to complete the fellowship form (Annex 4) and send it to the ITU Fellowships Service by email: [bdtfellowships@itu.int](mailto:bdtfellowships@itu.int) or by fax: +41 22 730 57 78 no later than **21 March 2017**.

Should you have any questions or need clarifications concerning the venue, accommodation etc., regarding the Workshop, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Irina Politova, Head, Scientific and Research Division, The Alexander Popov Odessa National Academy of Telecommunications (email: [rdd@onat.edu.ua](mailto:rdd@onat.edu.ua), phone: +380 48 705 03 84; phone/fax: +380 48 705 03 05). For any other questions concerning this Workshop please contact Mr. Farid Nakhli, Programme Officer, ITU Area Office for CIS (telephone: +7 495 926 60 70; email: [farid.nakhli@itu.int](mailto:farid.nakhli@itu.int)).

I look forward to active participation from your Administration/Organization.

Yours faithfully,

[ Original signed ]

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Director

**Annexes:**

1. Draft Agenda
2. Registration Form
3. Practical Information
4. Fellowship Request Form
5. Visa Support Form