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To: ITU Administrations, Regulators, Sector Members, Associates and Academia Members, Telecom Operators and Service providers, Manufacturers and Academic Institutions of the Africa region

**Subject: Training Course on Conformance and Interoperability Testing for the Africa Region, 23-27 June 2014, Tunis (Tunisia)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) with the collaboration of the Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche des Télécommunications (CERT) based in Tunis, is organizing a **Training Course on Conformance and Interoperability Testing in the premises of Lab of CERT, from 23 to 27 June 2014.**

Discussions will be held in French and English.

Please note that there are no participation fees for the training. Travel and accommodation arrangements should be made and borne by the participating entity.

I invite you to visit our website (<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Technology/Pages/Events.aspx>) for additional/detailed information on logistics (hotels, visa, etc.) and other relevant material such as the Programme, Registration and Fellowship Forms.

The Training Course is open to experts with the aim to conduct practical testing activities on Conformance and Interoperability.

In order to take advantage of this training programme, please send us the names of your candidates by filling in and returning the Registration Form to [anne.rita.ssemboga@itu.int](mailto:anne.rita.ssemboga@itu.int) with copy to [riccardo.passerini@itu.int](mailto:riccardo.passerini@itu.int), **by 19 May 2014**, clearly indicating the duties of interest of the candidates and their background knowledge on Conformance and Interoperability issues. Candidates will be selected based on their duties and background knowledge of Conformance and Interoperability issues, according to the number of positions available in the class.

I am also pleased to inform you that **Partial Fellowships** will be awarded based on available funding to facilitate participation from Least Developed Countries (LDC) or Low Income Developing Countries (LIC) to the Training Course. Application for Fellowship, limited to one person per country, must be authorized by the relevant Administration of the ITU Member State. The Fellowship Request Form should be returned to ITU not later than **19 May 2014**.

Ms Anne Rita Ssemboga, Programme Officer, ITU Area Office for Southern Africa in Harare (Tel: +263 4 77 5939/5941, Fax: +263 4 77 1257, E-mail: [anne.rita.ssemboga@itu.int](mailto:anne.rita.ssemboga@itu.int)) is at the disposal of participants who require assistance.

I very much hope that you will be able to participate and share your views and valuable experience with the participants, which will enrich the discussions and the outputs of the Training Course.

Yours faithfully,

*[Original signed]*

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