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## To All Arab Administrations, Regulators, ITU-D Sector Members & Associates in the Arab States Regional and International Organizations

Subject: Regional Arab Forum on Cybersecurity, Giza-Egypt, 18-20/12/2011

Dear Madam/Sir,

We are pleased to inform you that the ITU Arab Regional Office, in Coordination with ICT Applications and Cybersecurity (CYB) Division in the BDT, are inviting executives and experts in the field of Cybersecurity to participate in the "Regional Arab Forum on Cybersecurity" to be held in Smart Village, Giza, Egypt from 18-20<sup>th</sup> December 2011. The Forum will be chaired by **Dr. Sherif Hashem**, Senior Advisor to the Minister of Communications and Information Technology for Cybersecurity (Egypt).

The forum will have the following structure:

- 18<sup>th</sup> December (1 Day) for a workshop on the state of the art of Identity Management; exploring the issues, technologies, and impacts of the federated identity management systems. This will be led by Prof. David Chadwick, Professor at the University of Kent, UK who led the group of PERMIS (www.openpermis.org).
- 19-20<sup>th</sup> December (2 Days) for a symposium targeted to the formulation of actions/projects in the Arab Regional Cybersecurity Initiative. These will include: 1) Coordination for the formulation of national and regional regulatory policies and frameworks to combat cybercrime in the Arab region; 2) Encouragement for the establishment of national CIRTs in the Arab region, and optimal coordination between them; 3) Support to CIRTs in the Arab region through the provision of expertise and studies in this field; 4) Ensuring the protection of children and youth from harmful and abusive content on the Internet. Keynote speakers confirmed their participation include Mr. Mikko Hypponen who is the Chief Research Officer for F-Secure and Dr. Taher ElGamal, Chief Executive Officer, IdentityMind. We expect to have speakers from UNODC and ITU IMPACT. Case Studies from Arab countries on: Cybersecurity Policy and Legal Frameworks, CIRTs, and PKI, will also be presented.

Please forward this invitation to top executives and experts in the field of Cybersecurity in your organization and let them be in contact with our team that is handling this event for presentation of national case studies and for participation in the Forum. Top executives are also welcomed to chair Panels and Forum sessions. Please respond to this invitation indicating your interests for **presentation** no later than November 3<sup>rd</sup> and for **registration** no later than December 1<sup>st</sup>. For any further information, please contact:

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