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Subject: **Training and trials on network planning tools for evolving network architectures, Moscow (Russian Federation), 4-8 June 2007**

Dear Sir/Madam,

At the kind invitation of the Ministry of Information Technologies and Communications of the Russian Federation, the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) with assistance of the Regional Commonwealth in the Field of Communication (RCC) is organizing a **Training and Trials on Network Planning Tools for Evolving Network Architectures for the European and CIS Countries**, which will take place in Moscow (Russian Federation), from **4 to 8 June 2007** on the premises of the Qualifications Upgrading Institute of Moscow Technical University of Communications and Informatics (MTUCI).

Telecommunication networks architectures are changing to meet new requirements for a number of services/applications (Broadband, IP, Multimedia, mobile, etc.). New generation equipment (soft switches, databases, service controllers, new protocols and interfaces, etc.) and new call/mix traffic cases are going to be introduced in the networks.

Different solutions/network architectures can be taken into account for a smooth transition from existing network infrastructures (PSTN/PLMN) towards NGN as a result of the convergence process leading to different applications/services sharing network infrastructures.

Network planning activities evolve with the proper evolution of the network, the services, the technologies, the market and the regulatory environment. These evolutions imply a wider set of options to implement a network than in the past and as a consequence, the importance of careful planning and analysis for alternatives have larger impact on the network capabilities today in order to assure the needed capacities, the associated quality of service and the required investments.

Considering the initial status of the operator's network and the different solutions/network architectures that exist for the network evolution, each Network Planning case has to be analyzed and dealt with by using a proper portfolio of planning tools and tool combinations.

The training is addressed to network planning experts and managers from telecom operators, policy makers and regulators of developing countries and countries with economies in transition to present the Network Planning scenario and the related and appropriate Network Planning Tools needed for the development of their respective strategies for the evolution of the present network architectures. Practical case studies with the utilization of Planning Tools will be presented and developed during the training by directly involving the participants.

It is recommended that your representative(s) designated to participate in the training be expert and specialized in the subject matter.

The Draft Program of the training is attached herewith for your information and participation.

Any presentations and/or contributions for the organization of the training will be highly appreciated and should be notified electronically to the ITU, **no later than 21 May 2007**, to the attention of Mr. Riccardo Passerini, e-mail: riccardo.passerini@itu.int, with copy to Andrei Untila, e-mail: andrei.untila@itu.int.

The training will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation into Russian.

Your Administration/Company/Organization is cordially invited to participate in this event.

Although there is no participation fee for this seminar, please note that all the expenses concerning travel, accommodation and insurance of your participants should be covered by your Administration/Regulator/Company.

You are kindly requested to complete and fax or e-mail, **by 14 May 2007 at the latest**, the attached **Registration Form** for all your representatives to the seminar Coordinator from MTUCI Mr Mikhail Lokhvitsky, tel/fax + 7 495 192 85 51, e-mail: mssl@mtuci2.ru, with copy to Ms Natalia Gavrishina, ITU Area Office in Moscow (Fax: +7 495 540 60 73, e-mail: natalia.gavrishina@itu.int) and Ms Marina Chevtchenko (Fax: +41 22 730 5484, marina.chevtchenko@itu.int).

Those participants requiring entry **visa** to Russian Federation are requested to contact their local Embassy/Consulate of Russian Federation for information well in advance. Should the participants need a visa support, they are kindly asked to complete the attached Visa Support Form and send it to Mr Mikhail Lokhvitsky, tel/fax + 7 495 192 85 51, e-mail: mssl@mtuci2.ru, **by 14 May 2007 at the latest**.

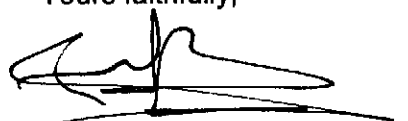
Detailed information concerning the seminar venue, accommodation and program will be sent to the registered participants upon receipt of their Registration Forms. Should you need any other information please contact the seminar coordinator Mr. Mikhail Lokhvitsky, tel. + 7 495 192 84 93, mob. + 7 916 677 43 84, tel/fax + 7 495 192 85 51, e-mail: mssl@mtuci2.ru, from Qualifications Upgrading Institute of Moscow Technical University of Communications and Informatics, or Mr. Andrei Untila from ITU Area Office in Moscow (Tel: +7 495 540 60 70, Fax: +7 495 540 60 73, e-mail: andrei.untila@itu.int).

Information on the Workshop is also available at the following website:

www.itu.int/ITU-D/tech/network-infrastructure/index.html

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



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Director

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Draft program

Registration form

Visa Support Form

Fellowship Nomination Form