

# Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

Ref. BDT/POL/RME/DM/071 Geneva, 10 June 2011

Contact: Makhtar Fall, Head

Regulatory and Market Environment

Division

Telephone: +41 22 730 6256

Telefax: +41 22 730 5545/730 5484

E-mail: <u>Makhtar.fall@itu.int</u>

Subject: Regulatory Associations meeting, Armenia City, Colombia, 19 September 2011

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the annual meeting of Regulatory Associations that will be held in conjunction with the GSR. This meeting will take place at the Cultural Metropolitan Convention Centre, Armenia City, Colombia, in the afternoon of 19 September 2011, has been organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with the Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies and the Communications Regulatory Commission of Colombia (CRC).

The Regulatory Associations meeting gives you an opportunity to discuss, to exchange information and to build bridges towards better and more active cooperation between the regions. This year, it will be held prior to the ITU Global ICT Industry Leaders' Forum (GILF) and the Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR), 20-23 September 2011, and will be chaired by Mr David Perez, President of REGULATEL, Dominican Republic State Secretariat, and President of INDOTEL Executive Committee.

The topics for discussion this year will include:

- Regulatory Association sustainability and financial support,
- Maintaining effective exchange of information and experiences among NRAs, and
- Presentation of the ICT Regulatory Decisions Clearinghouse (ICTDec).

I have attached the provisional agenda (annex 1) and, in order to better meet your needs and expectations, a questionnaire (annex 2) to complete and return to <a href="mailto:makhtar.fall@itu.int">makhtar.fall@itu.int</a> at your earliest convenience. The compilation of responses will be further discussed during the meeting. You will find all information, including visa requirements for this meeting, at: <a href="www.itu.int/GSR11/rras11/index-en.html">www.itu.int/GSR11/rras11/index-en.html</a>.

Please register via the GSR registration procedure and send an email to <a href="mailto:bdtmeetingsregistration@itu.int">bdtmeetingsregistration@itu.int</a> to confirm your participation.

Yours sincerely,

[original signed]

Brahima Sanou Director

Annexes: 2



#### Annex 1

## REGULATORY ASSOCIATIONS Armenia city, Colombia Monday – September 19, 2011



### **Provisional programme**

#### 14:30-14:45 **Opening Ceremony**

Brahima Sanou, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

David Perez, President of REGULATEL 2010-2011, Dominican Republic State Secretariat, and President of INDOTEL Executive Committee

Cristhian Lizcano, Executive Director of CRC-Colombia

#### 14:45-15:30 **Session 1**

Regulatory association sustainability and financial support: Experiences in Regulators Associations

Preamble from Latin American Telecom Regulators Forum: achievements boosted by the European Commission financial support

Other regional experiences:

- Europe
- Asia Pacific
- Africa
- Americas
- Arab States

#### 15:30-16:00 **Session 2**

Presentation of RME tools: ICT Regulatory Decisions Clearinghouse (ICTDec)

BDT / RME

#### 16:00-16:15 Coffee Break

#### 16:15-17:15 **Session 3**

How to exchange Information and Experiences among Regulators Associations?

Introductory approach by Gustavo Peña Quiñones, REGULATEL: best success and greatest difficulties experienced in reaching exchange of experiences and information

Other regional experiences:

- Europe
- Asia Pacific
- Africa
- Americas
- Arab States

#### 17:15-17:30 Concluding remarks and Closing



## Annex 2

# **Regulatory Associations meeting**



## **Questionnaire**

Please answer the following questions:					
Does your organization have:			YES	NO	
Legal statut	es				
Organizatio	nal chart				
Independer	t management of funds				
In the histoi	y of your organization, bı	riefly list three examples of:			
Your greate	st successes				
<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>				

Your greatest difficulties					
<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>				
How are your activities funded?:		YES	NO		
Grants					
Membership payments Other					
Describe your st	ructure and organization	YES	NO		
Permanent structure					
Non-permanent					
Other:					