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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector MembersAcademia membersin Europe

Subject: ITU Centres of Excellence - Training Catalogue 2021 for Europe

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Centres of Excellence (CoE) programme of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) aims to support capacity development in the field of information and communication technologies (ICTs). It offers continuous education to ICT professionals and executives in the public and private spheres through online and face-to-face programmes. The Centres of Excellence, established in all ITU regions with the support from multilateral and regional organizations, serve as regional focal points for professional development, research, and knowledge sharing as well as provide specialist training services to external clients. In this respect, all those who are interested in developing their capacities and skills in the field of ICT and digital development are invited to visit the ITU Academy online training catalogue at https://academy.itu.int/training-courses/full-catalogue.

I am pleased to inform you that the online training catalogue 2021 of the ITU Centres of Excellence for Europe is now available. It can be accessed via the aforementioned link by filtering this particular region, as well as on the ITU Office for Europe website at https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Europe/Pages/CentresOfExcellence/CentresOfExcellence.aspx. I invite you to share these links within your institution as well as with all stakeholders who might be interested in participating in training courses in the field of ICTs. Please note that, due to the current Covid-19 situation, dates of training courses may be subject to change.

Training courses for Europe are delivered in six priority areas: Digital Broadcasting, Wireless & Fixed Broadband, Internet Governance, Internet of Things, Cybersecurity and Big Data & Statistics. Courses will be delivered mainly online due to the current Covid-19 situation. Participants who will successfully pass the course evaluation will receive an ITU certificate.

Courses are provided by five European ITU Centres of Excellence as follows:

- Institute for Security and Safety (ISS) at the Brandenburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany
- The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Italy
- Norway Registers Development Cyber Security (NRD CS), Lithuania
- Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University (FEEIT), North Macedonia
- National Institute of Telecommunications (NIT), Poland.

Deadlines for registration to courses are available in the respective training course description in the ITU Academy portal. Payment details are specified in the training course outlines.

Ms Ana Maria Meshkurti, Programme Officer, ITU Office for Europe (email: ana.maria.meshkurti@itu.int, phone: +41 22 730 6320), is at your full disposal should you require any additional information.

I look forward to the active participation of the representatives of your institution in the training courses offered in 2021.

Yours faithfully,

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