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To:

- All Arab Administrations & Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Regional/International Organizations

**Subject: Regional Cyber Drill ALERT (Applied Learning for Emergency Response Teams)
Fourth edition for Arab Region, Al Hammamat, Tunisia, 23-27 May 2016**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the ITU Arab Regional Cybersecurity Centre (ARCC) and the ITU Arab Regional Office (ARO), we are pleased to invite you to participate in the Cyber Drill-Applied Learning for Emergency Response Teams (ALERT) for the Arab Region, which is dedicated for Arab National Computer Incident Response Teams (CIRTs). This event will be held in Al Hammamet, Tunisia from 23th to 27th May 2015, and will be hosted by National Agency for Computer Security (NACS) of Tunisia.

The purpose of the event is to enhance the communication and incident response capabilities of the participating teams as well as to ensure a continued collective effort in mitigating cyber threats among the Region's national CIRTs.

Countries that have their own national CIRTs are invited to participate with a team of three to four technicians in addition to one management member or a decision maker as an observer (optional). Countries that have not yet completed the establishment of their National CIRT can participate as an observer (1 to 3 observers).

The first day is dedicated to a series of sessions on current cybersecurity issues, followed by two and a half days of cyber drill exercises structured around various scenarios involving the most common types of cyber-attacks. These sharing sessions provide a platform for cooperation and discussions on cybersecurity. The last day and a half are dedicated to capacity building in Computer Incident Response.

On the second day, we will organize a high-level awareness session for managers about threats of cyber-attack. The live cybersecurity incident simulation will enable managers to assess potential threats with regard to cyber-attacks in a very tangible way.

Please note that the event will be paperless. Documents related to the event, including the agenda, registration form, hotel reservation form and practical information for participants will be available at <http://arcc.om/?event>

Registration must be completed no later than 10th May 2015. Participants are strongly advised to apply, as early as possible, for their entry visas to Tunisia.

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