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To: E-Application Developers and
     Policy Makers
     East African Member States
     (Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, South-
     Sudan, Rwanda)

Subject: **E-Application Development Workshop for East African Member States, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 25th – 29th November 2019.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU), is pleased to invite you to the **E-Application Development workshop for the East African Region** organized by the ITU Regional Office for Africa, scheduled for 25th to 29th November 2019.

Through the Regional Initiatives (2018-2021) for Africa, ITU-D is focused on building digital economies and fostering innovation by supporting innovation ecosystems and addressing interoperability challenges that result from digital innovations. The exponential growth in e-application development within Africa and beyond has resulted in the transformation of traditional business models with a significant impact on socio-economic development.

On the otherhand, without a clear and established model to enable e-application developers advance from ideation to market entry, the ability of e-applications to address various community issues is limited. This also hinders a contribution to the digital ecosystem in Africa.

Therefore, this workshop will aim at identifying different e-applications in Africa and discussing the challenges experienced by E-Application Developers and Policy Makers. From this workshop, participants will glean insights on international best practices in e-application development, feasible solutions to address challenges discussed and how to create an enabling environment to foster e-application development.

ITU will provide two full fellowships; one for an E-Application Developer and one for a Policy Maker/Implementer as applicable. Registration, applications for the fellowships and information on the venue, draft agenda and other documents related to the workshop can be found on the ITU website: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU- D/Regional-Presence/Africa/Pages/default.aspx .

For further clarifications required, you may contact Caroline Gaju, Programme Officer, ITU Regional Office for Africa. Email: Caroline.Gaju@itu.int , Tel: +251 115 514977/4855.

We look forward to your respective participation in this event.

Yours faithfully,

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