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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States of the AMS Region
- ITU-D Members of the AMS Region
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Subject: IV Regional Forum on Inter-connectivity & Reduction of telecommunication service prices and Internet access cost; Tegucigalpa, Honduras, 11 al 12 de Agosto del 2016.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the IV Regional Forum on Inter-connectivity & Reduction of telecommunication service prices and Internet access cost to be held on 11 and 12 August 2016 in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. This Forum is organized at the kind invitation of the National Commission of Telecommunications (CONATEL). The Forum will be held back-to-back with the Meeting of the Standardization Committee of COMTELCA to be held on 8 to 10 August 2016.

During the sessions will discuss, among other things, international interconnection, study cases of national IXP's implementation in the Region, its benefits, future projects, the role of the regulator, the necessity of international and/or regional interconnection, etc.

Considering that during the event will be presented proposed models on international interconnection, it is recommended that participants be at decision-making level to have discussions on the topic.

There will be no fees to participate in the event, however travel arrangements, accommodation and daily expenses should be made and borne by the participating entity. Fellowships will be granted to eligible participants from Least Developed and Low Income Countries of the Americas Region.

To participate, please register on-line at <http://www.itu.int/go/regitud>, no later than 3 August 2016. Concerned participants are strongly advised to apply for their entry visa to Honduras as early as possible as the approval procedure may take several days and the Honduras Embassy/Consulate may request an invitation letter from the CONATEL.

Additional practical information, the agenda, the fellowship form, as well as instructions for the visa to enter to Honduras, will be available online on the event's web page.

Mr Pablo Palacios, ITU Area Office in Chile, is at your full disposal should you require any further information (email: Pablo.Palacios@itu.int, tel.: +56 22 632 6134, +56 22 632 6147).

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bruno Ramos', is written over the typed name and title.

Bruno Ramos
Americas Regional Director