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- To ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members

Subject: Online Multi-stakeholder Workshop on the Role of Telecommunication/ICTs for Disaster Management and Risk Reduction for the Americas, 14th – 16th September 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), I have the pleasure to invite you to the Multi-stakeholder Workshop on the Role of Telecommunications/ICT in Disaster Management, organized by the ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), which will take place virtually from 14th -16th September 2021.

Experts will present and discuss how ICT solutions and digital technologies can be used for disaster management and risk reduction. The event will also consider the importance of gender inclusion on the use of ICTs for disaster management, the benefits of emerging technologies for risk reduction, the importance of early warning for early action, the Tampere Convention and the how simulation exercises can help in increasing resilience to natural hazards. Participants and panellists will have an opportunity to exchange experiences and best practices in the use of modern technologies for humanitarian purposes.

The workshop will be attended by

- Policy makers and telecommunication regulatory authorities
- Representatives of private sector entities
- United Nations agencies, non-governmental organizations and humanitarian organizations
- Regional disaster management organizations, Amateur Radio and communications specialists,
- Customs, shipping and airlines agencies
- Academic institutions and media.

For purposes of facilitating planning, preparation and to peruse the provisional agenda, practical information and documentation related to the event, participants are encouraged to register online at <https://www.itu.int/net4/ITU-D/CDS/meetings/registration/index.asp>. For further information, please contact Caroline.brandao@itu.int.

We look forward to your positive response, active participation, and contribution to the success of this important Workshop.

Sincerely yours,

(Original signed by)
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Regional Director