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Subject: ITU Forum on Future Networks and Conformance and Interoperability (C&I),

19-22 October 2021, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the ITU Forum on Future Networks and Conformance and Interoperability (C&I), which is organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and will be held in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation, from 19 to 22 October 2021. This event is jointly organized with PJSC Rostelecom and the Bonch-Bruevich Saint-Petersburg State University of Telecommunications. Event venue — St. Petersburg State University of Telecommunications, 22 building 1, Bolshevikov Avenue, Saint-Petersburg, Russia.

ITU Forum on Future Networks and C&I is addressed to representatives of ministries, regulators, municipalities, telecom operators, universities and general education institutions, telecommunication equipment manufacturers, research and development institutes, software developers and other interested stakeholders.

ITU will hold a series of side events during the Forum days, including presentation of the ITU project "ITU International research and development testing center for equipment, new technologies and services" (IRDTC), information session "ITU activities in the field of Artificial Intelligence" and joint tests with interested countries on the equipment of the IRDTC. Forum draft programme is attached.

ITU Forum will be held in hybrid format (physical + online) in Russian and English with simultaneous interpretation. Participants are requested to complete registration form available at the event webpage: https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/CIS/Pages/Events/2021/SPB-Oct.aspx

ITU Forum will be collocated with the meetings of ITU-T Study Group 11 Regional Group for Eastern Europe, Central Asia, and Transcaucasia (SG11RG-EECAT) to be held fully virtually on 20 October 2021. More details about this group are made available on its respective webpage.

For any questions concerning this event please contact Mr. Farid Nakhli, Programme Coordinator, ITU Regional Office for CIS Region (e-mail: <a href="mailto:farid.nakhli@itu.int">farid.nakhli@itu.int</a>; phone: +7 495 926 60 70).

I look forward to active participation from your Administration/Organization/Company.
Yours faithfully,
[ Original signed ]

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