

## **International Telecommunication Union**

## **REGIONAL OFFICE FOR AFRICA**

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To: ITU Administrations, Regulators, Sector Members, Associates and Academia Members, Telecom Operators and Service providers, Manufacturers and Academic Institutions of the Africa region

Subject: Conformity and Interoperability Virtual/onlinne Training Workshop for Africa Region, 16<sup>th</sup> to

27<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 12:00-15:00hrs, GMT + 2

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing a virtual instructor led Training Course on Conformity and Interoperability for the Africa Region through ITU Academy entitled Conformance and Interoperability (C&I): regulatory framework, requirements to set up basic C&I Lab and testing domains of type Approval laboratories in (SAR, RF, DTT and EMF) including specifications and parameters for the specific laboratories.

The Training course is open to experts conducting activities on conformity and Interoperability including practical testing in Specific Absorption Rate (SAR), Radio Frequency and Signaling (RF), Digital Terrestrial Television Receivers (DTT) and Electromagnetic Field Strength (EMF) from Ministries in charge of ICTs and the Regulatory Bodies.

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with NCA – Ghana (National Communication Authority of Ghana) is offering training in English only. Participants are welcome from both English speaking and French Speaking countries. Training takes place from 16<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 12:00-15:00hrs, GMT + 2

There are no participation fees for the training as ITU will pay NCA for participation fees. However, participants are required to have reliable internet connectivity to access the training. All participants should register online through the ITU Academy platform

I invite you to visit our websites (<a href="http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Technology/Pages/Events.aspx">http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Africa</a> for additional/detailed information on relevant material such as the Training Programme and Registration

In order to benefit from this training programme, registration should be made online at the ITU Academy portal.

To be able to register for the course you **MUST** first create an account in the ITU Academy portal at the following address: <a href="https://academy.itu.int/index.php/user/register">https://academy.itu.int/index.php/user/register</a>

## **Course registration**

When you have an existing account or created a new account, you can register for the course online at the following link: <a href="https://academy.itu.int/training-courses/full-catalogue/conformity-and-interoperability-training-africa-group">https://academy.itu.int/training-courses/full-catalogue/conformity-and-interoperability-training-africa-group</a>

You can also register by finding your desired course in our training catalogue <a href="https://academy.itu.int/index.php/training-courses/full-catalogue">https://academy.itu.int/index.php/training-courses/full-catalogue</a>

Due to the limited number of seats available in the class, please be aware that **only one candidate per country may be accepted for the Training Course and selection will be done on first come first serve basis**. Candidates will be selected based on their duties and background knowledge of Conformance and Interoperability issues. Confirmation of admittance to the training course will be sent directly to the selected candidates. Candidates will be expected to give a brief of C&I status in their countries and also to participate in group projects and presentation of SAR, RF, DTT and EMF.

Ms Chali Tumelo, ITU Area Representative for Southern Africa in Harare, Zimbabwe (tel: +263 242 77 5939/40/41, fax: +263 4 77 1257, email: <a href="mailto:chali.tumelo@itu.int">chali.tumelo@itu.int</a>) is at the disposal of participants who may require assistance.

I very much hope that you will be able to participate and share your views and valuable experience with other participants including contributions which will enrich the discussions and outputs of the Training Course.

Yours faithfully,

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Liaison to ECA and AU