



**Telecommunication
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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To Administrations of least developed and
Low-income countries (LDCs & LICs)

Subject: **Fellowship to participate at the ITU TELECOM WORLD 2013 (19-22 November 2013)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that we have managed to secure funds to provide support to Member States seeking financial support to participate at the upcoming ITU TELECOM World 2013 which will run from 19 to 22 November 2013. The Telecommunication Development Symposium (TDS) organized during previous events in order to address issues of particular concern to least developed and developing countries as well as to provide their representatives with a capacity building opportunity focusing on their specific needs, has now been fully integrated into the ITU TELECOM Forum. The Forum provides a global platform for leading stakeholders, digital thinkers and policy-makers shaping the future of the ICT industry. It consists of a series of structured debate sessions and interactive workshops aimed at igniting new thinking leading to the identification of innovative solutions, harnessing the power of knowledge-sharing and collaborative action to create real change.

The one-per-country full fellowship, to be awarded on a first-come-first-served basis, will finance the participation of least developed countries (LDCs), and low-income countries having a per capita gross domestic product not exceeding USD 2'000. My management team and I, will welcome all the Fellows on Sunday, 17 November 2013 at the IMPACT Exhibition and Convention Centre in Bangkok, Thailand for an interactive discussion. The exact room, time and agenda for the welcome meeting will be sent to all Fellows mid-October, 2013.

I look forward to the participation of a representative of your country at TELECOM World 2013, which will bring Heads of State and Government, Ministers, heads of international organizations and UN Agencies join

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with C-level executives and key players from big business, technology companies, manufacturers, operators, content and application providers plus regulators, policy advisors, digital thought-leaders, academics and major media stakeholders in shaping the future.

You will find in annex a Fellowship Form to be completed and returned by 10 October 2013.

Yours faithfully,

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Director