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Subject: **Workshop on Market Mechanisms for Spectrum Management**

Geneva, Switzerland, 22-23 January 2007

Dear Sir/Madam,

As part of the Shaping Tomorrow's Networks Programme, we are pleased to invite you to an international workshop entitled "**Market Mechanisms for Spectrum Management**", to be held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 22-23 January 2007.

In line with the stated objectives of the WSIS Tunis Agenda for the Information Society (November 2005), which says that "... ITU and other regional organisations should take steps to ensure rational, efficient and economic use of, and equitable access to, the radio-frequency spectrum by all countries ...", **ITU** (Strategy and Policy Unit and Radiocommunication Sector) and the **Ugo Bordoni Foundation** will jointly organise a workshop to identify global trends and good practice in radio spectrum management.

The workshop will examine, *inter alia*, the use of market mechanisms for both primary allocation of spectrum (e.g., auctions) and for secondary trading. It will look at recent trends in ITU Member States, the increasing demand for spectrum and will examine future challenges in developing policies for access to radio spectrum. Thematic papers will be commissioned in advance of the meeting, and will form the basis for discussion.

The workshop will be held in the same week as the Radiocommunication Advisory Group (RAG) of the ITU's Radiocommunication Bureau, to be held from 24 to 26 January 2007, organised by the Radiocommunication Bureau. More information about the RAG can be found at: <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/>

The draft agenda as well as regularly updated information concerning the meeting can be found on the ITU website at <http://www.itu.int/spectrum>. Written contributions are welcome and can be submitted via the website. Online registration for the event will open on 8 November 2006. You are invited to register for the event at <http://www.itu.int/osg/spu/stn/spectrum/registration.html>.

We hope you are able to accept our invitation to participate in this workshop and can join us in November. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at [spectrum@itu.int](mailto:spectrum@itu.int)

We look forward to welcoming you at this important event.

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