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9 May 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: The 22nd APT Policy and Regulatory Forum (PRF-22) 19-21 July 2022, Bangkok, Thailand

I would like to inform you that the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity will organize the 22nd APT Policy and Regulatory Forum (PRF-22) on 19-21 July 2022 in Bangkok, Thailand with hybrid format (both physical and virtual/online attendance through APT Zoom meeting).

PRF-22 will continue to focus its work in line with the five Strategic Pillars of the Strategic Plan of the APT which serves as the guideline for APT's activities for 2021-2023.

This PRF-22 will consist of special features as follows:

1) Special Ministerial Session: A session among Ministers and/or Vice Ministers to share insights, experiences, lessons learned, policies being implemented in their countries with regard to digital transformation and innovation strategies which are in line with the objective of the Singapore Statement adopted by the ICT Ministers of APT.

2) Regulators' Roundtable: A roundtable among the Head of the Regulators to share their experiences and practices on regulatory issues and identify the challenges, opportunities and possible way forward towards the new concept of the regulatory framework i.e. 5th Generation (G5) of Regulation.

3) Business Dialogue: A session to provide a platform for industry representatives to discuss economic and financial approaches for sustainable 5G ecosystem. Another session will provide an opportunity to discuss the regulatory implications and impacts of emerging technologies on the economy and ICT landscape.

In this regard, I would like to invite your Minister/Vice-Minister to be a speaker at the Special Ministerial Session and Head of Regulator at the Regulators' Roundtable. I would also like to invite high-level representatives from your administration who are currently involved in telecommunications policy and regulatory issues to participate in the Forum. The Concept Note, Provisional Agenda and Information for Participants are attached herewith for your information.

For both physical and virtual/online attendance, registration can be done online at <u>https://www.apt.int/content/online-registration</u>, preferably by <u>18 June 2022</u> for physical attendance and by <u>28 June 2022</u> for virtual/online attendance, for making necessary arrangements. Please indicate in the registration form whether your delegate will attend in

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person or virtually. **Only the registered participants are entitled to join the meeting**. APT Secretariat will provide detailed information to the registered participants prior to the meeting. If you need further information or assistance regarding the Forum, please contact the APT Secretariat by e-mail <u>aptpolicy@apt.int</u>.

APT members who wish to submit contribution(s) to the Forum, should prepare their contribution(s) in Microsoft Word and/or PowerPoint, English version and send it to aptpolicy@apt.int. The preferable deadline for submission of the contribution(s) is 12 July 2022.

I would appreciate your good support and active participation in ensuring a successful event.

Yours sincerely,

(Original signed)

Masanori Kondo Secretary General

- Encls: 1) Concept Note with Provisional Agenda (Annex A) and Tentative Programme (Annex B)
 - 2) Information for Participants
- To: APT Members (NF), Associate Members (NF), Affiliate Members and International/Regional Organizations