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### **WELCOME REMARKS**

Dr. Le Van Tuan, Chair of the APT Wireless Group (AWG),  
Dr. Daejung Kim and Dr. Khoirul Anwar, Vice-Chairs of AWG,  
Dr. Kohei Satoh, Honorary Chair of AWG,  
Distinguished Delegates,

Good morning. It is my great honor to welcome you to the 35th Meeting of the APT Wireless Group (AWG-35) here in Bangkok, Thailand.

I am very pleased that AWG-35 has more than 400 registered participants, with over 200 joining us in person today. This strong participation shows the importance of AWG's work for spectrum harmonization and for the future of telecommunications in the Asia-Pacific.

Since its beginning, AWG has been leading work on wireless communication issues. It has already produced 12 APT Recommendations and 149 APT Reports. These results support spectrum harmonization, new technologies, and regional cooperation. They are not only technical results but also important tools for digital connectivity—one of the five pillars of the APT Strategic Plan 2024–2026.

Earlier this year, the APT Ministerial Meeting in Tokyo adopted the Tokyo Statement. It gives us clear direction for the next five years. The Statement highlights the need for efficient and harmonized use of spectrum and orbital resources to strengthen connectivity for all. It also calls for more regional cooperation and stronger partnerships to support sustainable and inclusive digital growth. AWG plays a key role in turning this vision into reality.

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At this meeting, we received 82 input documents. They will support useful discussions on both continuing and new work items. We will also have workshops on 6G and satellite communications, which will give us good insights into future technologies. Another important item will be the election of new AWG leadership for the next three years. I ask for your cooperation to make this election smooth and successful.

Before I close, I sincerely thank our Chair, Vice-Chairs, Honorary Chair, Office Bearers, and all delegates for your strong contributions. With your knowledge and cooperation, I am sure AWG will continue to be a foundation of innovation, spectrum harmonization, and regional cooperation in the Asia-Pacific.

I wish you a very productive and successful meeting.

Thank you.