



WELCOME REMARKS

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Mr. Sun Lixin, Chairman APT Wireless Group,
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Office bearers of APT Wireless Group
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good Morning to all you! I would like to welcome all of you in Bangkok to this 10th Meeting of the APT Wireless Group. We have almost 200 delegates registered at this meeting. I would like to thank you for your participation in large number. It really shows your confidence for the Radiocommunication activities of APT.

Dear delegates,

Radiocommunication sector has been recognized as one of the major key areas of APT activities. APT is committed to promote applications of radio technologies, facilitate members' co-operation for spectrum harmonization and assist Members to explore new technologies and its applications, including the rapidly advancing wireless broadband technologies. Considering the fact that spectrum is a limited resource, the best possible utilization of the spectrum bands can bring the latest wireless technologies to the reach of the mass population. It also ensures the facilitation of the broadband services in the rural areas.

You are aware that APT Wireless Forum was established in 2004 as a forum for free discussion and information exchange on latest wireless technologies. Since then AWF succeeded to achieve significant results by developing Recommendation, Reports and Opinion on many aspects of the wireless Technologies. These output documents developed by AWF have been appreciated by many international fora and radio industry.

Ladies and gentlemen,

You may know that due to the growing importance and widening work scope of AWF, the last meeting of AWF adopted a new name, APT Wireless Group, and a new structure. The objective

of this rebranding and restructure was to fulfill its wide objectives of serving APT members. I am happy to inform you that the 34th Session of the APT Management Committee held last November approved the new name and new structure. Therefore, we'll now call this gathering as APT Wireless Group, AWG.

This meeting of AWG will nominate formally all the office bearers for its new structure. We have already received all the nominations for the posts of office bearers. It really shows the interest of the members for AWG activities.

Distinguish delegates,

The achievement of AWG has become possible by your sincere effort, dedication, expertise and commitment to AWG works. I'll urge you to continue your effort so that we can meet our objectives to assist this region. In that respect, I would like to bring to your attention to the Bali Plan of Action which was adopted by the Asia Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Strengthening Regional collaboration towards Broadband Economy in Bali, Indonesia in the year 2009. I would suggest AWG and members to try their best to implement the Bali Action Plan. I sincerely believe the successful implementation of the Bali Plan of Action will bring immense benefit in the ICT and Telecom sector for this whole Asia-Pacific region.

Lastly, I would like to mention the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology National Broadcasting and Telecommunication Commission and TOT of Thailand for their kind support and sponsorship for social events of this meeting.

Finally, I hope this meeting can produce fruitful outcomes and I wish all the success of the meeting.

Thank you.
