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### The 8th Meeting of the APT Wireless Forum (AWF-8) & Workshop on 'Next General Wireless Communication'

The 8th Meeting of the APT Wireless Forum (AWF-8) held from 29 March to 1 April 2010 in Tokyo, Japan updated key issues related to the activities and work progress of the AWF and developed the AWF Action Matrix to implement the Bali Action Plan related to the work of AWF.

The AWF-8 was a great success with participation of over 250 representatives of APT Members, Affiliate Members and other organizations. The meeting was hosted by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication (MIC), Japan. The inaugural address was given by Mr. Masamitsu Naito, State Secretary, MIC, Japan.

The meeting discussed and updated a number of important issues related to the activities and work progress of the Forum including agreement on FDD channel arrangement for UHF Digital Dividend band in Asia Pacific, number of APT submissions to ITU-R, APT reports on frequency arrangement at 2300-2400 MHz for BWA and radio spectrum monitoring, and many others. The meeting also reviewed the Bali Statement and Bali Action Plan adopted by the APT Ministerial Meeting in Bali last year, and developed the AWF Action Matrix to implement the Bali Action Plan related to the work of AWF. Other issues of discussion included the restructuring and rebranding plan of the AWF, and updated the work plan of the AWF.

A half-day **Workshop on 'Next General Wireless Communication'** was also organized on 29 March 2010 as part of the AWF-8. to update recent development in the field of IMT-Advanced and Intelligent Transport System (ITS). A number of eminent speakers were invited to make present their views on the topics.

For more details, please log on to <http://www.apt.int/2010-AWF8>.

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#### About APT

Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT) is a leading intergovernmental organization for the development of telecommunications and ICT in the Asia-Pacific region. APT was established by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in May, 1979. APT is headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand. Currently, APT has a strength of 34 State Members, 4 Associate Members and 121 Affiliate Members.