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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: The South Asian Telecommunication Regulators' Council (SATRC)
Workshop on Policy, Regulation and Services
8 – 10 May 2023, Islamabad, Pakistan**

I am pleased to inform you that the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT) will organize the South Asian Telecommunication Regulators' Council (SATRC) Workshop on Policy, Regulation and Services 8 – 10 May 2023 in Islamabad, Pakistan with physical attendance as well as virtual/online participation through APT Zoom meeting (i.e hybrid meeting). The workshop will be hosted by Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA).

The SATRC Workshop on Policy, Regulations and Services is a part of the implementation of SATRC Action Plan Phase VIII (SAP-VIII) for 2022-2023 which was approved by the 22nd SATRC meeting held in 2021 virtually. The workshop will focus on important issues such as development of enabling policy and regulatory environments in SATRC countries, telecom active infrastructure sharing, regulatory issues related to OTT services and applications and requirement, challenges and impacts related to NGSO satellite constellations in the South Asia will be discussed. The objective of this workshop is to share insights, experiences, best practices as well as engage in dialogue to identify the challenges, opportunities and possible way forward on the work items under the SATRC Working Group on Policy, Regulations and Services for SAP-VIII in order to have better understanding on those issues. It will also provide an opportunity for the SATRC Members as well as industry to share their experiences and future plans.

In this regard, I am pleased to invite representatives from your administration/ organization who are currently involved in the related field, set for this workshop (please see the Concept Note attached herewith), to participate in the workshop. The workshop is planned and designed for mid-level and senior-level technical managers from policy makers, regulators and industry. The Information for Participants is attached herewith for your information.

Registration can be done online at https://www.apt.int/content/online-registration, preferably by **14 April 2023** for making necessary arrangements. **Only the registered participants are entitled to join the workshop**. APT Secretariat will provide detailed information to the registered participants prior to the workshop. If you need further information or assistance regarding the workshop, please contact the APT Secretariat by e-mail (aptsatrc@apt.int).

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The administrations/organizations who wish to contribute to the sessions of the workshop, should send the contributions in the form of presentation material in Microsoft Power Point, English Version together with a short abstract/biodata to the APT Secretariat by e-mail (aptsatrc@apt.int). **The deadline for submission of contribution is <u>1 May 2023</u>.**

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

Yours sincerely,

(Original signed)

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Secretary General

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To: APT members and Regional/International Organizations