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**Subject: 1st Steering Committee Meeting of the Centers of Excellence Network for the Africa Region,
Nairobi, Kenya, 11-12 March 2019,**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), we would like to invite your organization to participate in the First Steering Committee Meeting of the Centers of Excellence Network for the Africa Region, to be held at **Movenpick Hotel & Residences**, Nairobi, Kenya from 11th to 12th March 2019. The meeting is organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and co-hosted by Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) and African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute (AFRALTI).

This will be the First Steering Committee Meeting of the new CoE network cycle, which starts in January 2019 and lasts until December 2022. The main objective of the Steering Committees is to govern and provide oversight to the CoE network functioning and operations. The meeting provides CoEs the opportunity to present and discuss their activities, exchange experience, learn from each other and strengthen collaboration, with the aim of creating synergies among the CoE networks in Africa region.

A key outcome of the meeting is the agreed training catalogue for the CoE network in the region for the upcoming year.

According to the Governance structure outlined in the document "Operational Processes and Procedures for the CoE Network 2018" (available on the ITU Academy website), Steering Committees are composed of the Centers of Excellence, Member States hosting a CoE and ITU, who are expected to attend the meetings. Other participants from the broader ITU membership are welcome to attend as observers.

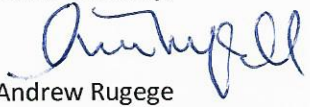
Further information on the meeting, including the draft programme (Annex 1), registration details and all other logistical information will be posted on
https://academy.itu.int/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=252&Itemid=674&lang=en

Although there is no participation fee charged for this meeting, participants are expected to meet their own costs of travel and accommodation.

You are invited to submit the name/s of representative/s from your organization to this meeting by completing the attached registration form (Annex 2) and return it by **1st March 2019** at the latest to Ms. Maygenet Abebe, e-mail maygenet.abebe@itu.int with a copy to Ms. Rachel Alwala, e-mail alwala@ca.go.ke

We look forward to your participation and invaluable contribution.

Yours faithfully,


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