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Subject: The 4th Annual Sub Sahara Spectrum Management Conference (27 & 28 May), The PRIDA Initiative 'Kick-off' Meeting (29 May) and the ITU Capacity Building Workshop on Cross-Border Frequency Co-ordination (30 & 31 May)

Dear Sir/Madam,

ITU, ATU, and Forum Global are pleased to invite you to participate at 3 events that are to be hosted by the Botswana Communication Regulatory Authority (BOCRA) in **Gaborone, Botswana** from **27 to 31 May 2019**.

The event schedule is as follows:

- Monday 27th May & Tuesday 28th May - **The 4th Annual Sub Sahara Spectrum Management Conference**
- Wednesday 29th May (am) - **PRIDA initiative 'kick-off' meeting**
- Wednesday 29th May (pm) - **First meeting of the PRIDA Technical Committee** *(closed session)*
- Thursday 30th & Friday 31st (am) - **ITU Capacity Building Workshop on Cross-Border Frequency Co-ordination**

The Sub Sahara Spectrum Management Conference (www.subsahara-spectrum.com) is taking place as part of the Global Spectrum Series, the world's largest collection of regional spectrum events. It will provide a high-level meeting point for stakeholders across the Sub Sahara region and beyond to discuss topical issues relating to the management and coordination of spectrum policy across the region.

The ITU Workshop on Cross-Border Frequency Co-ordination (https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Africa/Pages/CrossBorder-Spectrum-Management-Workshop-.aspx) will address the latest technical tools and general co-ordination mechanisms that are to be used by African countries to achieve smooth dialogue with neighboring countries on spectrum management and monitoring issues.

PRIDA (https://www.itu.int/net4/ITU-D/CDS/projects/display.asp?ProjectNo=9RAF18089)
The objective of the project is to facilitate efficient and harmonized spectrum utilization to contribute to the overall objective of the "Policy and Regulation Initiative for Digital Africa (PRIDA)" which is to foster universally accessible, affordable and effective wireless broadband across the continent to unlock future benefits of internet based services.

To register for these events, please visit **https://eu-ems.com/register.asp?event_id=4401**

Delegates can access **entry requirements**, **visa application forms** and all relevant **practical information** here: https://eu-ems.com/practical.asp?event_id=4389&page_id=9882

Provisional agendas and other important information including **fellowship request forms** for the events can be accessed at: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Africa

ITU is pleased to provide one full fellowship for each eligible country (from LDCs only), subject to availability of funds, with preference to those applicants ready to share their experience and knowledge on cross-border frequency co-ordination issues.

Applicants requesting fellowships are required to submit their fellowship request forms duly signed by their respective Administrations together with the confirmation note of the registration.
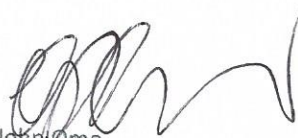
Should you require any further information please contact Jordan Francombe at Forum Global on subsaharaspectrum@forum-global.com/ +44 (0) 2920 783 074.

We look forward to you joining us and providing a valuable contribution to what promises to be a highly interesting and stimulating week of events.

Yours sincerely,

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