



THE AFRICAN ADVANCED LEVEL TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSTITUTE (AFRALTI)

22nd June 2014

To: AFRALTI Member States
Regional ICT Organizations;
ICT Regulators and ICT Service Providers

Dear Sir/Madam,

INVITATION TO A SPONSORED ONE-DAY CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP ON TV WHITE SPACES ON 25TH AUGUST 2014 AT AFRALTI CENTRE, NAIROBI, KENYA

The Director of AFRALTI has the honour to renew its compliments of the highest consideration to your administration/organization.

As part of its mandate as defined under The IGA (Inter-Governmental Agreement) on the establishment of AFRALTI (African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute), I am pleased to inform you that **AFRALTI** has partnered with **Google** and **Dynamic Spectrum Alliance** to sponsor a one-day capacity building workshop on **TV White Spaces** technology on Monday 25th August 2014 at AFRALTI Centre in Nairobi, Kenya.

This workshop has been organized ahead of the second meeting of the African Spectrum Working Group (AfriSWoG-2) which is scheduled for 26 – 29 August 2014 at the same venue.

This one-day workshop targets participants in the Policy Making ICT Agencies of Governments; Technical and Radio Communication Engineers of ICT Regulatory Authorities, Telecommunications Operators, Broadcasting organizations and the Academia among other institutions and categories of participants with the aim of contributing knowledge on the concept and deployment of TV White Spaces in Africa.

The workshop will consider the information available on status of regional and regulatory initiatives on TV White Spaces by taking stock of the various TVWS trials in Africa and examine regional and international developments on this emerging and crucial technology.

This is an important opportunity for ICT Stakeholders in Africa to discuss and share ideas with ICT Stakeholders, especially the Telecommunication Operators and Broadcasters in Africa and ICT Regulators and Experts in radio & spectrum management around the globe with regard to the future direction of TV White Spaces in Africa.

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The workshop has been **sponsored** by **AFRALTI**, **Google** and **Dynamic Spectrum Alliance** for the first 100 persons who will have accepted this offer for sponsorship on a first come-first served basis by 31st July 2014. The sponsorship will be communicated to successful applicants within the first week of August 2014. The sponsorship will cover the cost of conferencing services only, namely: workshop material, refreshments and lunches only. Participants are therefore expected to cover their own costs of travel and accommodation while attending the workshop.

A general information brochure on the workshop and available accommodation among other services has been provided for your reference, but AFRALTI extends the services of its Guest House, an equivalent of any 3-star hotel in Nairobi, a modest rate of \$35.00, Bed and Breakfast.

Your participation in the workshop would be a highly valued investment not only for your organization's capability to create value from limited spectrum resources, but also contribute to the body of knowledge in this virgin field of investment in Africa.

Consequently, I invite you to attend this workshop or nominate your representative, including, where relevant, the nomination of your AfriSWoG-2 delegates and/or any other relevant officers to attend the workshop and where possible make a presentation on your countries or regional initiatives on TVWS. When you confirm participation, please advise if you have a presentation.

A registration form for this workshop has been attached to this invitation for your action. Please fill it in and **send your confirmation before 31st July 2014** by sending a scanned copy of your application form to the AFRALTI training co-coordinator or head of training through the following e-mail addresses; jane.mahui@afralti.org; Head of Training: jmwakijele@afralti.org

Alternatively, you may register online at: <http://www.afralti.org/tv-white-spaces/> and send an e-mail notification to the training co-ordinator of AFRALTI.

Please note that the **sponsorship** to this workshop will be extended on a **first come-first served basis** in order of date of confirmation. It is therefore important to confirm as soon as possible.

For more information, please visit the AFRALTI website on www.afralti.org.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your support and commitment towards AFRALTI activities.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Client Services

For Director, AFRATI

Encl: Concept Note on the TVWS workshop, Draft Program, Registration Form, General Information, Hotel List.

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