



Press Release

Regulator & MCIT to host Regional Radiocommunication Seminar

The Office of the Regulator and the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology will co-host the upcoming ITU/PITA Regional Radiocommunication Seminar 2016 for Asia and the Pacific.

The 5 day seminar will be held from 19-23 September at the TATTE Convention Centre and is in collaboration with and jointly organised by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Pacific Islands Telecommunications Association (PITA).

"This is a great opportunity for Samoa to be recognised by the ITU for its telecommunications progress and to spearhead PITA's regional development in relation to radiocommunication technologies", said the Regulator, Ms Unutoa Auelua-Fonoti.

There will be approximately 60 participants attending the seminar, including international guests from countries across Asia and the Pacific, representatives from organisations such as ITU, GSMA and Facebook, and representatives from regional Government Ministries.

The seminar will focus on the topic of 'Bridging the Digital Divide' in the region, concentrating on the role of radiocommunication technologies, while also bringing together the major regional stakeholders to prepare the future key spectrum management decisions about the adoption and deployment of these technologies.

Participants will engage in training and workshops providing hands-on experience of ITU notification procedures and other technical tools, and learn about best practices regarding spectrum management and the current regulatory framework for international frequency management. The seminar will be conducted in a paperless environment, highlighting the focus placed on training the participants' understanding and use of ICT.

"As the Regulator, I am pleased to see the Seminar hosted in Samoa, and look forward to the positive outcomes that will result from the discussions and training we receive next week", said Ms Auelua-Fonoti.

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