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Dear Dr. Allahyari,

International Knowledge Sharing Workshop on Cross-border Innovation, Acceleration and Challenges in International Transfer of Technologies 14 - 15 November 2022, Ghaziabad, India (Hybrid Mode)

I am pleased to inform you that the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (APCTT) of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), will be organizing the 'International Knowledge Sharing Workshop on Cross-border Innovation, Acceleration and Challenges in International Transfer of Technologies' from 14 to 15 November 2022 in hybrid mode. The international workshop is being organized jointly with the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR, Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Government of India.

The workshop is envisaged to: (1) Increase knowledge and awareness on the challenges, mechanisms and good practices of innovation, transfer and diffusion of technologies in the Asia-Pacific Region; 2) Explore innovative strategies and modalities to strengthen regional cooperation for cross-border transfer and diffusion of technologies; and 3) Provide recommendations on addressing the critical challenges for strengthening regional cooperation for innovation and technology transfer.

It is expected to have participation of APCTT's national focal points and/or their nominated representatives (policymakers and experts) from relevant industry, academia (e.g., Universities and R&D institutions), and other relevant stakeholders. The draft concept note with tentative agenda of the meeting is enclosed for your reference.

In this context, I request you to nominate (1) a senior policy maker/expert from relevant ministries, departments, or national institutions (including Universities and research organizations) to participate as a panel speaker; and (2) other participants from relevant industry and academia in your country to attend the consultative meeting. Participation from your country will contribute to sharing knowledge and experience at the event for the benefit of the participants.

Dr. Alireza Allahyari General Director Iranian Research Organization for Science and Technology (IROST) Ministry of Science, Research & Technology Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran It would be appreciated if the registration form, containing the details of the nominated participant, could be submitted by **12 November 2022**. The registration form can be accessed at the following link: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/drVtEgAU14</u>

Please feel free to contact my colleague Mr. Pankaj Shrivastav (<u>pankaj.shrivastav@un.org</u>) for any additional information or clarifications.

I look forward to your Government's participation as well as your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Preeti Soni

Preeti Soni Head Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APCTT-ESCAP)

Attachments

1. Concept Note and Tentative Agenda of the 'International Knowledge Sharing Workshop on Cross-border Innovation, Acceleration and Challenges in International Transfer of Technologies' on 14-15 November 2022 in hybrid mode.