International Institute of Communications

IIC MENA Chapter Casablanca meeting: Digital Ecosystem: Evolving Policy and Regulation (in person)

Date: 9th November 2023

Location: Casablanca, Morocco

Agenda: Thursday 9 November 2023

09:00 - 09:10: Welcome Address (IIC)

Lynn Robinson, Director General, International Institute of Communications

09:10 - 09:25: Opening Remarks (Chapter Chair)

Dr Bharat Vagadia, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Group

09:25 - 09:40: Opening remarks (Event Host)

Nesrine Roudane, Partner, Head of Office, Al Tamimi & Company, Morocco

09:40-10:10: Increasing data center investments

David Yates, Partner, Head of Digital & Data, Al Tamimi & Company, UAE

10:10-10:40: Bridging the Digital Divide: Strategies for North Africa

Nasser Kettani, Founder, Hidden Clouders and Kettani Digital Consulting

Mohamed Bourazza, Head of Control, Compliance and Organization**,** HPS, Morocco

10:40-11:10: Coffee / Tea break

11:10-12:00: Evolving regulatory frameworks

Moderator

Richard Cantin, Head of Corporate/Commercial, Al Tamimi & Company, Morocco

Panel

Mehdi Alaoui, Founder & CEO, LaStartupStation

Latifa Tayah, Director of Studies and Development, High Authority for Audio-visual Communication (HACA), Morocco

Simohamed Bourazza, HPS, Morocco

12:00-12:45: Infrastructure Investment

Moderator

James Bellis, Director, Telecommunications Practice, Frontier Economics

Panel

Dr Bharat Vagadia, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Group

Lotfi Elati, Public Policy Manager Connectivity & Access EMEA, Meta

Khalid Ziani, Chief advisor of the President, M2M Group, Morocco

12:45-14:00: Lunch

14:00-14:50: 5G enablement

Moderator

Al Tamimi & Company

Panel

Mohamed Abbes, Senior Director Public Policy & Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Tunisia

Dr Bharat Vagadia, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Group

14:50-15:45: Mobile Financial Services and Digital Finance

Moderator

Mouhsine Lakhdissi, International IT Consultant

Panel

François Marchal, Chief Executive Officer and Member of the Management Board, Société Générale, Morocco

Hicham Amadi, Chairman of the board, 2WLS – World Wide Loyalty System

Nasser Kettani, Founder, Hidden Clouders and Kettani Digital Consulting

15:45-16:00: Coffee / Tea break

16:00-16:45: IIC MENA Chapter Working Committees

Dr Bharat Vagadia, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Group

Francesco Paolo Di Gregorio, Director Policy and Advocacy, Ooredoo Qatar

Jean-Pierre Scerri, General Counsel, Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA), Bahrain

16:45-17:00: Closing Remarks

Dr Bharat Vagadia, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ooredoo Group

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