



## WELCOME REMARKS

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Distinguished Delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good Morning to you all! I would like to welcome all of you in Bangkok for attending this 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the APT Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-2012. I would like to convey my sincere gratitude for your participation at a large number at this meeting. We have almost 300 delegates at this meeting. It really shows your confidence for the activities of the APT. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all the APT Members for extending their support for APT. I also like to thank to APT Affiliate Members companies who are sponsoring the lunches and coffee breaks for making the meeting a successful event.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Let me talk about APT's recent Ministerial Meeting in Bali last year in November. For the celebration of 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its establishment in 2009, APT organized the Asia Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Strengthening Regional Collaboration towards Broadband Economy which was held from 12 to 13 November 2009 in Bali, Indonesia. It is my great pleasure to inform you that the Meeting concluded successfully with the adoption of the Bali Statement of the Asia Pacific Ministers. Ministers of the APT Member countries agreed to put joint efforts in strengthening regional collaboration for the development of ICT infrastructures and services in the Asia-Pacific, and to work towards a broadband economy that would truly contribute to the benefit of the people of region in improving the quality of life. This was a landmark APT Meeting, not only for its high-level engagement in the issue, but also for the level of benefits to the Asia Pacific Region as a whole. The Bali Action plan has been adopted in order to bring the regional effort into reality.

There are lots of interests from APT Members on the Bali Action Plan. The Management Committee of APT have instructed each work program of APT to consider the Bali Action Plan and to implement the relevant part by each program.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Radiocommunication sector has been recognized as one of the major key areas of APT activities. APT is committed to promote applications of radio technologies, facilitate members' co-operation for spectrum harmonization and assist Members to explore new technologies and to harmonize the regional views on Radiocommunication matters and present them at the relevant global forum like WRCs.

Since its inception APG has been playing a significant role to harmonize the regional views to World Radiocommunication Conferences. It has been matured by developing more and more common proposals to the WRCs for the interest of the region. APG has now become the APT's largest event attended by a large number of interested public and private sectors as well as delegates from other international and regional organizations. Regional preparations of regional groups like APG are highly appreciated by ITU as they can significantly contribute to the efficiency of the global conferences like WRC.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are in the middle of our preparation for the WRC 2012. APT region has considerable stakes in the agenda of the Conference which covers wide ranging subjects, encompassing all types of radiocommunication services. Recognising that the tasks ahead are complex and diverse, we all need to work hard and consolidate our efforts with a view to preparing ourselves for the Conference, so that aspirations of all the members are appropriately met and interests of the region, as a whole, are well protected.

APT Community has always been working harmoniously as a close family, showing mutual respect and accommodation in all our activities. The same spirit of solidarity, fraternity and co-existence would be the key to our success in future. I am sure, that with your expertise, cooperation and mutual understanding we will continue to achieve our goals collectively.

Wish you would have a very successful meeting.

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