



**International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG)
Experts Meeting: Global Navigation Satellite Systems Services
14 – 18 December 2015, Vienna, Austria**

We would like to inform you that the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, as the Executive Secretariat of the International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG), is carrying out the ICG activities as part of the ICG workplan through its programme on global navigation satellite systems (GNSS) applications. In order to increase knowledge and expertise relating to GNSS capabilities and its benefits to the GNSS user community worldwide, the **ICG Experts Meeting: Global Navigation Satellite Systems Services** will be held in Vienna, Austria from 14 through 18 December 2015. In this meeting, ICG will introduce the scope of its work, aiming at contribution to international cooperation by providing an opportunity to exchange updated information on the use of GNSS technology and its applications.

A one-day and half seminar will be held during the ICG Experts Meeting. This seminar will introduce spectrum management and the mitigation of radio frequency interference, collectively referred to here as spectrum protection, for radionavigation satellite services (RNSS). The seminar will be conducted in coordination with the ICG Working Group on Compatibility and Interoperability. The topics of the seminar will be built from the spectrum experience gained from the development, operation, and use of RNSS. The aspects of RNSS spectrum protection to be addressed include regulatory, technical, operational, and policy. The Experts Meeting will provide ample time for discussion open to all participants, and networking opportunities, as well as to address in-depth questions and answers on specific topics unique to a particular region. The latest information on this Meeting and its relevant documentation, including the useful information for participants will be available at the ICG Information Portal at: <http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/icg/activities.html>

On behalf of the ICG, it is our pleasure to extend this invitation, through you, to the Government to nominate highly qualified individuals to participate at and contribute to this Experts Meeting. Nominees should meet the criteria set out in the Announcement. The co-sponsors will provide funding to subsidize the participation of a limited number of experts from developing countries. We would be grateful if you could forward the enclosed documents to the appropriate governmental, academic, research and other relevant institutions/organizations in your country. **Kindly note that the registration deadline is 10 September 2015** for a financial support from the ICG. The on-line registration form is available at the website: <https://register.unoosa.org/civicrm/event/info?id=49&reset=1>

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

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