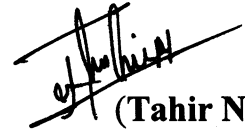Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Islamabad
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Subject: <u>**Webinar on Artificial Intelligence Scheduled on 2nd July 2024**</u>
             <u>**virtually**</u>

      Enclosed please find a copy of Parep Tehran's E-Mail Message No.ECO-7/12/2024-(B)/10 dated 6th June, 2024 on the subject mentioned above.

2.   The above is forwarded for information and further necessary action, please.

(Tahir Nabi)
. Assistant Director (CARs-II)

<u>Encl :(As above)</u>

Ministry of Information Technology & Telecommunication [Director (Int'l Coordination)] Islamabad

Ministry of Foreign Affairs U.O. ECO-10/3/2024, dated 11th June, 2024

E-MAIL MESSAGE

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From   : Parep Tehran
To   : Foreign Islamabad
No.   : ECO-7/12/2024-(B)/10
Dated   : 6th June, 2024

Director General (ECO & CARs from First Secretary
Copy to: (i) AD (CARs-II) MoFA

Subject: **Webinar on Artificial Intelligence Scheduled on 2nd July 2024 virtually**

Attached, please find ECO Secretariat's self-explanatory N.V. No. 2024/730 dated 4th June, 2024 along with its 02 attachments of 40 pages.

2.   The ECO Secretariat vide its attached note verbale informed the member states that a Webinar on Artificial Intelligence will be organized virtually On 2nd July 2024. The Information Note and Tentative Program for the event are attached while the web-link will be shared in due course.

2.   The main objective of the Webinar is to facilitate the dissemination of knowledge and expertise in Artificial Intelligence technologies, with a particular focus on enhancing capacity-building in key areas such as the regulation of AI, harnessing AI for sustainable development, and the application of AI in the delivery of public service. The Secretariat requested the member states to **convey their confirmation and particulars (name, designation, mobile/whatsapp numbers & Email address) of the participant(s) for participation in the subject webinar latest by 21 June, 2024 to ECO Secretariat at Email address aganyyazov@eco.int**

3.   Ministry is requested to convey the above information/attachments to M/o Information Technology & Telecommunications with the request to convey its confirmation & particulars of the participants directly to ECO Secretariat at the above Email address under intimation to this Mission for onward sharing with ECO Secretariat.

4.   An early action will be highly appreciated.

Encl: Total 42 pages including covering.

Respectful regards.

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Economic Cooperation Organization

ECO

The Secretariat of the Economic Cooperation Organization presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Embassies of ECO Member States in Tehran and has the honor to inform that a **Webinar on Artificial Intelligence** will be organized virtually on 2 July 2024. The Information Note and Tentative Program for the event are attached herewith and the web-link for the event will be circulated in due course.

The main objective of the Webinar is to facilitate the dissemination of knowledge and expertise in Artificial Intelligence technologies, with a particular focus on enhancing capacity-building in key areas such as the regulation of AI, harnessing AI for sustainable development, and the application of AI in the delivery of public services.

In this regard, the Secretariat has further honor to request the Embassies to kindly inform the relevant authorities, organizations and stakeholders regarding the event and provide (via email aganyyazov@eco.int) the details of the participants by 21 June 2024.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the esteemed Ministry and the Embassies the assurances of its highest consideration.

All ECO Member States - Tehran

Cc.

International Telecommunication Union

Information Note
of the Webinar on Artificial Intelligence
02 July 2024 (09:00 – 10:30 Tehran Time)

1. Background

One of the modern society development drivers is digitalization and intellectualization of all spheres of the economy and public administration. Competitiveness in digitalization issues is ensured by the deployment of artificial intelligence into public administration, the work of local authorities and the life of citizens. At the same time, an important place is given to issues of trust in artificial intelligence models. In the rapidly advancing domain of Artificial Intelligence (AI), navigating the complex web of frameworks and regulations is crucial for ensuring ethical deployment and governance. AI is poised to revolutionize every facet of human endeavor. Stakeholders must acknowledge the legal complexities posed by AI, including Generative AI. By understanding the legal implications of AI, including Generative AI, users can harness its power more effectively to attain their goals.

AI enables humans to harness vast amounts of data and make breakthrough advances in areas like healthcare, agriculture, education, and transportation. Global environmental outcomes, productivity, inclusion, and equality aspects are already beginning to be impacted by AI, both immediately and over time. Also AI has been called the "new electricity" reflecting an economic framing of AI as a "general purpose technology" (GPT). AI is expected to have a beneficial effect on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). With the growing call for national AI strategies, governments around the world have a mandate to leverage AI for economic competitiveness and to help shape their industrial strategy.

At the same time the interest in implementing AI-based software in the public sector is growing. AI is already used to deliver more effectively personalized services and to foster citizen engagement with public institutions, through the design of human-centric interfaces; enhance operational efficiency and the quality of administrative procedures through increased automation of physical and digital tasks; and, to enable greater predictive capabilities for better decision making and policy outcomes, through the use of algorithms designed to uncover trends and patterns in large volumes of data.

2. Webinar

The main objective of the Webinar is increasing knowledge transfer in the AI technologies, as well as empowering capacity building in such fields as AI regulation, use of AI for Sustainable development and AI application to the Public Services.

3. Participants and Speakers

Representatives of the relevant authorities of the ECO Member States and ECO Secretariat

Speakers:

Mr. Akbar Khodaei, Director of Transport and Communication of ECO

Mr. Vadym Kaptur, PhD in Telecommunications, Senior Researcher, ITU, EBRD and UN ESCAP expert

Mr. Vladyslav Kumysh. PhD in Telecommunications, ITU expert

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME
02 July 2024 (09:00 – 10:30 Tehran Time)

8:45-9:00	**Connecting participants and connectivity testing**
9:00-9:10	Opening remarks
9:10-9:25	Global trends in the AI technology: Challenges and opportunities

Overview of AI technology development. Machine learning. Examples of using AI in real life. The main opportunities: enhanced automation, personalized services, improved healthcare, smarter transportation, assistive technology, computer vision, cybersecurity. The main challenges: transparency, ethical concerns, job displacement, security risks, lack of regulation, capacity building, data privacy, computer power, data preparation.

Presentation, Q&A

9:25-9:40	Recent developments in the field of AI regulation (EU's AI law, UN's AI Resolution etc.)

The importance of ethical and regulatory frameworks in AI. UN's AI Resolution. AI Frameworks. EU AI Act - Overview and Case Study. NIST AI Risk Management Framework. ISO 42001 AI Management System. Google Secure AI Framework (SAIF). Analysis of successful and challenging implementations of AI regulations.

Presentation, Q&A

9:40-9:45	Self-testing Quiz #1
9:45–10:00	AI-driven economics of the future and use of AI for sustainable development

Role of AI in promoting sustainable development and contributing to the achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Potential of AI to drive positive social, environmental, and economic outcomes. AI transformation of the structure of economic production and broad-based economic diversification. Connection from AI to goods and service sector. Promoting Green Development and Green Economy.

Presentation, Q&A

10:00-10:15	AI application to the Public Services

Implementing AI based software in the public sector including individual, general and specific public services. Role of AI in improving the performance of the public sector. Major trends in AI technology adoption in the public sector. Government AI strategies. Public sector components of national strategies. AI use cases in governments. AI projects with a public purpose.

Presentation, Q&A

10:15-10:20	Self-testing Quiz #2
10:20-10:30	**Summing up and closure**