Online course on Basic Principles of International Communications Regulation and Policy

Washington, USA, May 3, 2019 – American University Washington College of Law (AUWCL) and the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (ITSO) have jointly offered an online course on **Basic Principles of International Communications Regulation and Policy**, part of the **Program on International Communications Regulation and Policy.**

The course was held from January 28th to April 22nd, 2019 and this session had the participation of 121 participants from 34 countries. It has been offered five times already.

The course was designed to provide the basic principles of Communications Regulation and Policy at an international level to an audience particularly interested in the Information and Communications Technology (ICT) sector. A certificate on International Communications Regulation and Policy was issued to those participants that completed all the modules and reached the required minimum level. The topics of this course were: issues and challenges that ICT policies and regulations need to adequately address; policy and regulatory approaches to enable the effective use of ICTs; financing models and mechanisms to make widespread access to affordable ICT services; and emerging issues. The course was structured around five modules and each of them included several videos and related reading materials (PowerPoint presentations, articles and reports).

For more information about the ITSO/AUWCL Program on International Regulation and Policy, please visit www.wcl.american.edu/ict.

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Testimonials

"We were afforded an opportunity to learn from other participants what is prevailing in their respective countries. This was not to read about it but people shared the dynamics of their countries in as far as ICT is concerned."

"I found the course very rich in information and especially in best practices to implement."

"The self-paced modules, the variety of lecturers and reading materials as well as the possibility to debate thoughts and opinions with the several participants made this online course absolutely enriching for me."

"I say thank you very much to the organizers of this training which gave me the means to understand what needs to be done for the development of my country."

"The course comprehensively makes key strategic information easily available and provides better leads for research. I recommend it for all who are involved with issues relating to ICTs as a custodian of the new economic landscape."

"Throughout this course, I had the opportunity to discuss and overview the divergent aspects of ICT regulations and policies both from national and international viewpoints."

"As an Electronics engineer, I needed to take a glance and appreciate the intricate aspects that define the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) sector in our present society as well as to understand the key drivers that pertain to ICT adoption, roll out, and sustainability."

"I have enjoyed the course a lot, it has a clear language and is based on the current reality of Internet growth. I want to highlight the relevance it gives to the multi-stakeholder model, where we are all participants in Internet policies from the role we play."