

The 21st Meeting of COMSATS Coordinating Council, 3-4 April 2018, Almaty, Kazakhstan

The Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) is pleased to announce the convening of the 21st meeting of its Coordinating Council scheduled to be held in Almaty, Kazakhstan, on 3-4 April 2018. The meeting will be hosted by COMSATS' Centre of Excellence, the Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (KazNU), Kazakhstan. The Coordinating Council meets every year, inter alia, to: review the activities of COMSATS' Network; follow up on the decisions and recommendations made in the previous meeting; and outline the future course of action.

Invitations and Confirmation of Participation

The Executive Director COMSATS has extended invitations to all members of the Coordinating Council. The representatives of some international partner organizations have also been invited to participate in the meeting as Observers. Moreover, the representative of the Tianjin Institute of Industrial Biotechnology (TIB), China, has been invited to participate in the meeting in connection with TIB's request for induction in COMSATS' Network of International S&T Centres of Excellence.

Apart from the host Centre of the meeting, confirmation of participation has, so far, been received from the following 17 Centres of Excellence: BCSIR-Bangladesh, Embrapa Agrobiologia-Brazil, ICCES-China, NRC-Egypt, CIF-Colombia, IROST-Iran, ICENS-Jamaica, NMC-Nigeria, ICCBS-Pakistan, CIIT-Pakistan, Al-Quds University-Palestine, ITI-Sri Lanka, IRCC-Sudan, HIAST-Syria, TIRDO-Tanzania, CERTE-Tunisia, and TUBITAK MAM-Turkey. Moreover, the representatives of TIB (China) and SESRIC (Turkey) will participate in the meeting.

KazNU is extending invitations to the confirmed participants of the meeting for visa formalities. COMSATS Headquarters is closely coordinating with the local organizing committee of the event to ensure timely arrangements.

Agenda, Programme and Working Paper

The provisional Agenda and Programme of the meeting have been prepared. The detailed Working Paper and associated documents of the meeting will be electronically distributed to the Council members and other invitees during first half of March 2018.

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