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Announcement of Workshop on multi-band spectrum award process.

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1 Announcement

1. The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) hereby announces that it will be holding a workshop on its multi-band spectrum award process¹.
2. The objectives of this workshop are to:
 - give an overview of the award process;
 - present the key features of the award process;
 - explain technical features such as, activity rules, “chain bids”, “relaxed primary bids”, winner determination and base price determination; and
 - demonstrate the Winner and Price Determination software.
3. The workshop will be held on Friday, **8 June 2012** in the **Columba** meeting room in the **Clarion IFSC Hotel**², starting at 10:00 and expected to finish at 14:00.
4. Interested parties are requested to pre-register, for logistics purposes, via email to **Sinead Devey** at sinead.devey@comreg.ie
5. The deadline for pre-registration is Thursday, 7 June 2012 at 16:00.
6. The attention of interested parties is drawn to the following points:
 - please see the annex for details on the process by which questions and answers on the auction process generally will be handled by ComReg;
 - the workshop chairman will ensure that questions appropriate to this process will not be responded to at this workshop;
 - however, it is expected that points of clarification will be raised by participants which presenters will respond to; and
 - an audio recording will be made of the proceedings for the purpose of transcribing any points of clarification raised by participants and the clarification given by the presenters. The presentation materials and any substantive clarifications provided on the day will be made available on the ComReg website.

¹ See ComReg Document 12/52 for details of the multi-band award process. It is anticipated that those attending will be familiar with the contents of Document 12/52.

² See <http://www.clarionhotelifsc.com> and <http://www.clarionhotelifsc.com/contact-us/Location.aspx>

Annex

Questions (extracted from Section 3.3.1 of Document 12/52)

- 1.1 ComReg will allow questions to be submitted to it by Interested Parties to facilitate clarity and understanding of the Award Process and Auction Rules (see also section 5.2.5 [*of Document 12/52*] on errors). All questions received in due time will be replied to on an ongoing basis and as far as possible within 8 Working Days. The deadline date for the submission of questions is **16:00** hours (local time) on **22 June 2012**. ComReg anticipates publishing all questions and associated answers no later than **6 July 2012**.
- 1.2 As set out in Chapter 1 [*of Document 12/52*], ComReg has engaged a reputable consultancy organisation to ensure that its confidentiality and security processes before, during and after the Auction are appropriate for this Award Process.
- 1.3 In that regard, and for this process, questions must be submitted in written, hardcopy format only and cannot be submitted in any electronic format. Questions should be delivered by hand or courier, to the ComReg offices and addressed as follows:

Dr Samuel Ritchie
Multi-Band Spectrum Award
Commission for Communications Regulation
Abbey Court, Irish Life Centre
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- 1.4 Questions should be submitted in a sealed envelope. Participants control delivery of any submission and, for example, anonymity is in the control of the participant. Please ensure that the envelope does not contain any marks which could identify the originator. Interested Parties are required to identify themselves on the question sheet within the sealed envelope.
- 1.5 Receipt of questions will be acknowledged by ComReg.
- 1.6 ComReg will publish all questions together with their associated responses on an anonymous basis on its website.
- 1.7 ComReg reserves its right to, where appropriate, amend previous responses up until **6 July 2012**, such that answers provided before this date are for general guidance only and should not be considered final or relied upon until **6 July 2012**.