5th February 2020

Dear Participant to the ANISE 2020 conference,

**RE: Postponement of the ANISE 2020 Conference, Avani Hotel, Livingstone, Zambia**

We regret to inform you that the ANISE 2020 Conference has been postponed from March 2020 to a later date that will be shared once decided. This has been necessitated by the ongoing global epidemic caused by 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV).

On 30 January the World Health Organization declared this event a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). This requires all countries to intensify activities to detect and contain the virus. The coronavirus is a respiratory virus and therefore, the majority of persons who are to participate in the ANISE as participants, speakers or exhibitors will be partially or fully engaged in the response to the ongoing novel coronavirus outbreak. For this reason, it is necessary to postpone the meeting.

We regret the inconvenience this postponement may have caused. We hope you will remain committed to attending this important event at the next possible date to be advised. Thank you for your understanding and looking forward to seeing you all when we reconvene the meeting. We will communicate to you timely, the new dates.

Yours faithfully,

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Organising conference chair