



## Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

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Administrations of ITU Member States Regulators National Statistical Offices (NSO) ITU-D Sector Members

## Subject:3rd Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) and<br/>6th Meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI)<br/>22-25 September 2015, Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to the 2015 meetings of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) and the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI) which will take place in Geneva from 22 to 25 September 2015.

The objective of these meetings is to examine the contributions received from members of the EGTI and EGH online discussion forums over the current working period, with a view to finalizing the items under discussion. The outcome of the discussions will be presented at the 13th World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium (WTIS), which will be held in Hiroshima, Japan, from 30 November to 2 December 2015.

The statistical topics that will be covered during the EGH meeting include, among others: barriers to Internet use by individuals; barriers to mobile phone ownership; barriers to household Internet access; methodological issues related to data collection, verification and dissemination; and new indicators on ICT employment.

The main statistical topics that will be discussed during the EGTI meeting are: advanced mobilebroadband subscriptions; sub-categories of mobile-broadband subscriptions; fixed-broadband subscriptions by type of organization; other administrative ICT data sources, such as OTT service providers; indicators on m-banking services.

The meetings will also include a joint session of the two expert groups to discuss topics related to big data and the ICT Development Index (IDI).

The experience and expertise of your organization in the field of telecommunication/ICT indicators will greatly contribute to the success of these meetings. We therefore count on your presence and valuable inputs to the discussions.

Further details concerning the meetings (including the agenda, registration details and logistics) will be posted on the EGH and EGTI online discussion forums: <u>http://www.itu.int/net4/ITU-D/forums/EGH</u> and <u>http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/ict/ExpertGroup/default.asp</u>, respectively.

I hope your organization will be able to take part in these important meetings.

Yours faithfully,

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