

Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT)

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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Resolution 99 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)
- ITU-D Sector Members, Associates and Academia
- Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of ITU-D Study Groups 1 and 2
- Observers (Regional and International Organizations)
- United Nations, specialized agencies, and IAEA

Subject: Global survey to seek input on existing work of ITU-D study groups and to identify areas of interest and priorities amongst ITU membership to prepare for the next study period

Dear Sir/Madam,

WTDC Resolution 1 (Rev. Buenos Aires, 2017) on "Rules of procedure of the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector" encourages the ITU-D study groups to prepare a survey to help ascertain the extent to which the ITU-D membership, and in particular the developing countries, benefit from the outputs of ITU-D study groups' studies.

In this context, you are hereby invited to contribute to the global survey to determine the extent to which ITU members benefit from the outputs of studies undertaken by the ITU-D study groups, to obtain feedback on the relevance of current topics under study, and to seek input for future priority areas. The results of the survey will be submitted by the ITU-D Study Group Chairmen to TDAG-21 and the 2021 World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-21) to prepare for the next study period.

The survey can be accessed online by all ITU-D members from the following link <u>http://itu.int/go/2020-survey</u> and is available in the six UN official languages. The last date for online submission is **15 January 2021**, while an earlier response would be much appreciated.

The success and value of this survey will depend on the inputs received from the ITU-D membership, and you are therefore invited to share the online survey link with all relevant representatives in your organization to achieve a good representation of respondents. I look forward to your support and active participation.

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The ITU-D Study Group Secretariat is at your disposal should you require further information (tel.: +41 22 730 5999, e-mail: <u>devsg@itu.int</u>).

I thank you all for your continued support to our ITU-D study groups.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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