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**Subject:          Invitation to the 19th ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium
Geneva, Switzerland, 23-24 September 2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the 19th World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium (WTIS-24), the main global forum on telecommunication/ICT statistics. The symposium is organized and hosted by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and will take place from 23 to 24 September 2024 in Geneva, Switzerland. This year's edition will precede the 15th Meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and 12th Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH), which will take place from 25 to 26 September 2024 in Geneva.

Under the theme "***Metrics to action: Bridging data gaps for universal and meaningful connectivity***", the 2024 edition will bring together policymakers, business leaders, regulators, statisticians, and researchers to learn, share, and help shape the telecommunication/ICT statistics agenda. The work of the EGTI and the EGH will also be presented.

WTIS-24 is open to all the membership and primarily targets those responsible for telecommunication/ICT statistics in relevant ministries, regulatory agencies, telecommunication operating companies and national statistical offices. Other experts interested in the subject of information society measurements are also welcome to attend the symposium.

Registration to the event is mandatory and will be carried out exclusively online via this registration link. Participants must first complete an online registration form and subsequently obtain approval from the corresponding Designated Focal Points (DFPs) for ITU-D event registration. An ITU user account is required for this purpose.

Remote participation will be provided to participants duly registered for the event. Participants are encouraged to register early and indicate if they intend to attend the event in person or remotely.

Interpretation will be provided based on the requests received during the online registration process. Participants who require interpretation in a language other than English (i.e. in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish) must indicate so when completing the online registration form. Interpretation must be requested forty-five (45) calendar days prior to the opening of the event: in this case by **9 August 2024 (2359 hours CEST)**.

For assistance with the registration process, please contact: BDTMeetingsRegistration@itu.int.

The WTIS-24 website provides information about logistics and will be updated with the detailed programme, speakers, and additional information in due course.

For any enquiries about the symposium, please write to wtis@itu.int.

I hope your organization will be able to participate in this important event.

Yours faithfully,


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