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To ITU Member States,
Sector Members, Associates, and Academia
State of Palestine
UN System organizations

Subject: **Invitation to all stakeholders to participate in the Open Consultation of the CWG-Internet on “The developmental aspects to strengthen the Internet”**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The 2024 session of the Council Working Group on International Internet-Related Public Policy Issues (CWG-Internet), decided to hold an open consultation (online and physical) on the following topic:

“The developmental aspects to strengthen the Internet

1. *How relevant multilateral and multi-stakeholder processes, including but not limited to UN-based processes such as Summit of the Future, WSIS+20 and the IGF, could address aspects related to Internet development?*
2. *What are the challenges and opportunities, good practices and favourable policy environments to strengthen the Internet, including in areas such as:*
 - *fostering meaningful connectivity*
 - *equitable access for all*
 - *promoting a secure and resilient Internet*
 - *achieving universal access*
 - *the deployment of IPv6*
 - *using satellite communication to reach remote and underserved remote areas*
 - *ensuring services are affordable for people*
 - *promoting digital inclusion and skills*
 - *fostering multi-stakeholder participation and*
 - *encouraging public and private sector investment in Internet infrastructure.*
3. *How can we promote international multistakeholder cooperation on public policy issues that are focused on promoting the development aspects of the Internet?"*

The deadline for responses is **7 September 2024**, through the following link:

<https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-internet/Pages/consultation-feb2024.aspx>

Important information and instructions on the submission process is also available on this webpage. You are further encouraged to inform other interested stakeholders, who might wish to participate.

All responses received will be made publicly available on the ITU website and a consolidated document will be submitted for consideration at the physical open consultation meeting, to be held during the cluster of Council Working Group meetings in September-October 2024 in Geneva, Switzerland. Further information on the meeting will be published in due course on the webpage linked above.

Please also note that the Chair's reports of CWG-Internet meetings are available on the [CWG-Internet webpage](#).

We look forward to receiving your input to this consultation,

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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Secretary-General