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Doreen Bogdan-Martin was elected Director of the ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau on the 1st of November 2018. She took office on the 1st of January 2019. She is a strategic leader with more than 25 years of high-level experience in international and inter-governmental relations. She has a long history of success in policy and strategy development, analysis and execution. From 2008-2018, Ms Bogdan-Martin led the Strategic Planning & Membership Department of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), located in Geneva, Switzerland. ITU is the specialized United Nations agency for information and communication technologies (ICTs), with 193 Member States and a membership of nearly 800 private sector entities and academic institutions around the globe. It is dedicated to bringing connectivity to all the world's people through development assistance, standardization and coordination of radiocommunications. Ms Bogdan-Martin was responsible for the organization's strategic planning processes, while also overseeing the organization's Membership, Corporate Communications and External Affairs teams, the work of the United Nations Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development, and Coordinator of United Nations affairs for the organization. Ms Bogdan-Martin has advised governments from around the world on policy and regulatory reform measures. She has organized impact-driven global conferences with thousands of participants from 150+ countries, brokered international consensus on many critical issues, and is a regular presenter at high-level international forums and summits. As part of this important work, she was one of the principal architects of the annual Global Symposium for Regulators, directed ITU's first global youth summit #BYND, and is currently driving ITU latest high-profile initiative – EQUALS, The Global Partnership for Gender Equality in the Digital Age. Ms Bogdan-Martin previously headed the Regulatory and Market Environment Division of the Development Bureau and was responsible for the programmes on Regulatory Reform and Economics and Finance. Prior to joining ITU, she was a Telecommunications Policy Specialist in the National Telecommunication and Information Administration (NTIA), US Department of Commerce. With a Master's degree in International Communications Policy from American University in Washington, DC, Ms Bogdan-Martin completed post-graduate certification in Strategies for Leadership at the Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland. She is also certified in Accountability and Ethics by the United Nations Leaders Programme. Additionally, Ms Bogdan-Martin is an affiliate of the Harvard University Berkman-Klein Center for Internet and Society, currently serves as the Co-Chair of the United Nations Strategic Planning Group, Chair of the Academic Council for the Swiss Network for International Studies, and is a member of the Board of Governors of the UN Staff College. She is also an amateur radio operator. She is married with four children.