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- UN Organizations in Iraq

**Subject: Regional Forum on Digital Inclusion, Baghdad, Iraq, 22 September 2019.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference to the letter sent on 28 May 2019 inviting all stakeholders to participate in the activities of this year's ITU-UNESCO Digital Inclusion Week for the Arab region that will be from 22-28 September 2019, we are pleased to invite you to participate in a **Regional Forum on Digital Inclusion**, that will take place in Baghdad, Iraq, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2019, kindly hosted by the Communications and Media Commission of Iraq.

This forum will consist of a series of distinguished speakers presenting their interesting perspectives on issues pertaining to digital inclusion. The speakers will address various topics including ICT accessibility for persons with disabilities, digital financial inclusion, smart learning, smart villages and various other topics.

Please note that all the information related to this forum as well as all the activities of Digital Inclusion Week, is be available on the following website: ([Click here](#)).

Please note that all visa requests for participants coming from abroad should be submitted to the relevant focal point as indicated in the information note available on the Forum's webpage, before **5 September 2019**.

Lastly, we would like, once again, to invite all stakeholders in the Arab region to organize at least one activity during ITU-UNESCO Digital Inclusion Week, to shed light on their key activities in this domain, whether at the national or regional level. Stakeholders are free to design the nature, scope and location of activities and associate them to the Week. In this regard, in order to raise visibility of all stakeholder

activities during Digital Inclusion Week, a promotional campaign will be organized with regional press and on social media. In addition, all activities will be published on the Digital Inclusion Week webpage mentioned above.

To send your suggested activity, as part of Digital Inclusion Week or for further information on the Forum and all the activities of ITU-UNESCO Digital Inclusion Week, please contact Mr. Karim Abdelghani, Programme Coordinator, ITU Arab Regional Office (karim.abdelghani@itu.int).

Looking forward to your active participation in Iraq and fruitful contribution in this event.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'E. A. H.', with a horizontal line underneath.

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Regional Director