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To all WSIS Stakeholders

- Governments
- International Organizations
- Civil Society
- Private Sector

WSIS Stocktaking: 2010 Update and New Entries

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to continue contributing to the WSIS Stocktaking process undertaken in support of the WSIS Implementation and Follow-up. This invitation is addressed to governments, international organizations, civil society and private sector entities.

During the WSIS process, stakeholders expressed that the public stocktaking database of WSIS related implementation activities (www.itu.int/wsis/stocktaking), which had been initiated during the Tunis phase of WSIS, should be further maintained under the stewardship of ITU (see Tunis Agenda, para 120). In this context, this tool becomes a unique and interactive platform for the exchange of information on projects and initiatives fostering development of the Information Society, structured according to the 11 WSIS Action Lines. All WSIS stakeholders are encouraged to update their entries and to add new information to this public database, which is also in the process of being transformed into the community based online platform. This platform offers to the stakeholders an opportunity to showcase their success, search for partners and funding opportunities, as well as exchange of experiences and networking.

We would be grateful for your proactive participation in the WSIS Stocktaking process by contributing to this platform and submitting any new entries, descriptions of the activities the government or organization is undertaking, either in the enclosed questionnaire or online (at www.itu.int/wsis/stocktaking). Please note that for existing entries, the authors will be contacted directly by email to update their submissions.

Information submitted to the platform will be reflected in the up-coming WSIS Stocktaking Report 2010: Midterm Review, to be launched officially during WSIS Forum 2010, scheduled to be held from 10-14 May 2010 in Geneva, Switzerland. We look forward to receiving your responses and any other associated documentation, **by 30 March 2010.**

Yours faithfully,

[originally signed]

Dr. Hamadoun I. TOURÉ
Secretary-General

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