Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite you to participate in the ITU – ASETA Seminar on “Closing the Digital Divide through the Development of e-Strategies”, which will be held in Quito, Ecuador, on 26-27 November 2009. The Seminar, hosted by the Ministry of Telecommunications and the Information Society of Ecuador (MINTEL), is a joint effort of ITU and the Asociación de Empresas de Telecomunicaciones de la Comunidad Andina (ASETA), and aims to provide a forum to discuss strategies to help close the digital divide in the Andean region.

The Seminar will bring together representatives of Administrations, Regulators and Operators of ITU Member-States, ITU Sector Members and Associates, Regional Organizations, as well as representatives of the industry and civil society to exchange information on the status of national legislation, policies and ICT programs addressing the digital divide and learn best practices for improving connectivity in the region through the adoption of e-strategies and ICT applications.

The programme, registration and other practical information regarding the Seminar are found in the attached annexes for your information. We encourage you to register for this event by sending the filled registration form (Annex 3) via email to Ms. Marietta Uribe at Marietta.uribe@itu.int by Monday November 16, 2009.

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Yours faithfully,

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Attachments:
Annex 1 – Programme
Annex 2 – Information for Participants
Annex 3 – Registration Form