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Aux administrations des Etats Membres de l'Union;
Aux Membres de Secteur, Associés et établissements universitaires participants aux travaux de l'UIT-R, de l'UIT-T et de l'UIT-D

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Aux Présidents et Vice-Présidents des Commissions d'études de l'UIT-R, de l'UIT-T et de l'UIT-D;
Aux Directeurs du Bureau des radiocommunications, du Bureau de la normalisation des télécommunications et du Bureau de développement;

Sujet: **Atelier commun UIT/OMS sur le thème "Normes de cybersanté et interopérabilité", Genève, 26 et 27 avril 2012**

Madame, Monsieur,

Dans le monde entier, les services et les systèmes de santé évoluent pour tenir compte de la nécessité d'améliorer la qualité, la sécurité et l'efficacité des soins par rapport à leur coût. La cybersanté a déjà fait preuve de son intérêt et de son utilité à cette fin. Les pays qui adoptent un système de cybersanté devront réaliser une synthèse harmonieuse entre divers systèmes hérités du passé d'une part, et des dispositifs médicaux et des systèmes informatiques modernes, d'autre part. Ils devront dans le même temps préparer le terrain pour que les parties prenantes puissent innover. En effet, la cybersanté ne peut atteindre son but, qui est de fournir des soins dans la continuité, personnalisés et intégrés, qu'à condition de reposer sur des normes ouvertes, mondiales, communes et interopérables.

Beaucoup a déjà été fait pour élaborer des normes et des cadres de cybersanté garantissant l'interopérabilité, mais ils ne sont pas encore entièrement mis en oeuvre. Le fait d'aller de l'avant et d'être conscient du travail qu'il reste à faire, ainsi que du rôle de toutes les parties prenantes contribuera à une meilleure utilisation des ressources et au recentrage des efforts en vue de combler les lacunes. Il faudra par ailleurs disposer d'un cadre d'action stratégique clair en matière de cybersanté, afin de faciliter la mise en place d'un environnement propice et durable.

L'UIT, en collaboration avec l'OMS, **invite** à cette fin les organisations travaillant sur les normes de santé et d'autres parties prenantes à un **atelier** qui se tiendra à **Genève** les **26 et 27 avril 2012**. Cet atelier a pour objet de point sur les efforts déployés à ce jour, d'examiner les obstacles à l'adoption de systèmes de cybersanté et de contribuer à l'élaboration d'une feuille de route détaillée UIT/OMS destinée à orienter les mesures qui seront prises ultérieurement.

Les débats de cet atelier se fonderont sur des documents d'information et des présentations.

L'atelier aura lieu à Genève, au siège de l'UIT, les 26 et 27 avril 2012 et s'ouvrira à 9 h 30. Des précisions relatives à la salle de réunion seront affichées sur les écrans placés aux entrées du siège de l'UIT. L'inscription des participants débutera à 8 h 30 à l'entrée Montbrillant du bâtiment de l'UIT (http://g.co/maps/gqapr).

La participation est ouverte aux Membres de l'UIT et aux Etats Membres de l'OMS, ainsi qu'à tout ressortissant d'un Etat Membre de l'UIT ou de l'OMS qui souhaite contribuer aux travaux. Il peut s'agir de personnes qui sont aussi membres d'organisations internationales, régionales ou nationales. La participation à l'atelier est gratuite.

Vous trouverez des informations relatives à l'atelier dans l'**Annexe 1** et sur le site web de l'atelier à l'adresse: http://itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/e-Health/201204.

Dans l'attente de vous accueillir à cet atelier, je vous prie d'agréer, Madame, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma haute considération distinguée.

Dr Hamadoun I. Touré
Secrétaire général

Annexes: 4

ANNEX 1

Information on the Joint ITU-WHO Workshop on "e-Health Standards and Interoperability"

Objectives

The key workshop objective is to start a dialogue towards a comprehensive roadmap on global standards development, interoperability, and adoption for enabling the sustainable development of e-health services.

The resulting programs could leverage resources from regions, countries, industry, and research institutions, and provide a solid platform for harnessing future innovations within specific national e-health roadmaps.

The specific objectives of the Workshop are:

1.   Learn about different priorities of member states – low-, middle- and high-income countries; and identify common threads amongst identified priorities / needs.

2.   Share experience gained from programs and pilots – needs, outcomes, barriers and next steps. This could be used to define specific use cases for which standards should be adopted, and to identify key elements of an e-health service architecture/framework specification.

3.   Identify barriers to broad adoption of successful initiatives: A diagnosis and deep understanding of why standards are not used/applied in certain settings.

4.   Assess transformative opportunities: Share advances in innovation that can transform delivery of healthcare (3-7 years). These include advances in mobile devices, portable medical devices, re-engineered healthcare workflows, clinical decision support systems, new business models, and novel distribution / logistics strategies in the supply-chain.

5.   To identify future needs, roles and responsibilities of stakeholders in advancing e-health standards.

Venue

The event will take place in ITU headquarters, Geneva, **26-27 April 2012** and it will open at 0930 hours. Detailed information concerning the meeting room will be displayed on screens at the entrances to ITU headquarters. Registration will open at 0830 hours at the Montbrillant entrance of the ITU building (http://g.co/maps/gqapr).

Language

Discussions will be held in English only.

Participation

Participation is open to ITU members and WHO Member States and to any individual from an ITU or WHO Member State who wishes to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members of international, regional and national organizations. No registration fees required for participation.

Advance programme

A draft programme of the event is found in **Annex 2**.

Additional information:

Information relating to the event will be available on the event website: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/e-Health/201204/Pages/default.aspx

Logistics

For your convenience, a hotel confirmation form is enclosed as **Annex 3** (see http://itu.int/travel/ for the list of hotels).

Registration for this event will be carried out exclusively *online* at http://itu.int/reg/tws/3000353. Deadline for registration is **18 April 2012**.

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Fellowships

ITU will provide a limited number of full fellowships to **one participant per eligible country** *and* within the available budget. The participant must be duly authorized by the respective ITU Administrations from Least Developed Countries and from developing countries with per-capita income under US$ 2,000. While the provision of fellowship is limited to only one participant per country, the number of delegates from a country is not limited provided the expenses of additional delegates are borne by the country. Participants requiring a fellowship are requested to complete the **Fellowship Request Form** in **Annex 4** and return it to the ITU by **e-mail:** bdtfellowships@itu.int **or by** fax to: +41 22 730 5778 by **26 March 2012 at the latest.**

Visa

We would remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend any time in Switzerland. **The visa must be requested at least four (4) weeks before the date of beginning of the workshop** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Switzerland in your country or, if there is no such office in your country, from the one that is closest to the country of departure.

If problems are encountered by **ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates or Academic Institutions**, and at the official request made by them to TSB, the Union can approach the competent Swiss authorities in order to facilitate delivery of the visa but only within the period mentioned of four weeks. Any such request should be made by official letter from the administration or entity you represent. This letter must specify the name and functions, date of birth, number, dates of issue and expiry of passport of the individual(s) for whom the visa(s) is/are requested and be accompanied by a copy of the notification of confirmation of registration approved for the ITU-T workshop in question, and must be sent to TSB by fax (+41 22 730 5853) or e-mail (tsbreg@itu.int), bearing the words **"visa request"**. **Please also note that ITU can assist only representatives of ITU Member States, ITU Sector Members, ITU Associates and ITU Academic Institutions.**

ANNEX 2

Draft Outline of Workshop Programme "e-Health Standards and Interoperability"

Note that the detailed programme is subject to change.

DAY ONE

08:30 – 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 10:00	– Welcome – Workshop objectives: ITU and WHO – Keynote: overall framework to further guide the discussions
10:00 – 11:30	**Session 1: Country perspectives** Inter-governmental panel comprising ministers of health and ministers of information and communication technologies
11:30 – 11:45	*Coffee break*
11:45 – 13:00	**Session 2: Current focus, status and challenges: organizations working on e-health standardization** – ISO, ITU, SDOs
13:00 – 14:30	*Lunch break*
14:30 – 16:00	**Session 3: Barriers to adoption: Stakeholders' perspectives (Part 1)**
16:00 – 16:15	*Coffee break*
16:15 – 17:45	**Session 4: Barriers to adoption: Stakeholders' perspectives (Part 2)**
17:45 – 18:00	**Wrap-up of DAY ONE**

DAY TWO

08:30 – 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 11:30	**Session 5: Innovation trends: Academic institutions, companies and research and development labs**
11:30 – 11:45	*Coffee break*
11:45 – 13:00	**Session 6: Identifying future needs: Health service providers and policy makers**
13:00 – 14:30	*Lunch break*
14:30 – 16:00	**Session 7: Advancing e-health standards: Roles and responsibilities of stakeholders** This session aims at covering the following topics: – ...
16:00 – 16:15	*Coffee break*
16:15 – 16:45	**Wrap-up of DAY TWO;** **Overall conclusions of both days and next steps**
16:45 – 17:00	**Concluding remarks: ITU and WHO**

ANNEX 3

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*This confirmation form should **be sent direct to the hotel** of your choice*

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION

Joint ITU-WHO Workshop on "e-Health Standards and Interoperability"
(Geneva, 26-27 April 2012)

Confirmation of the reservation made on (date) ------------------------ with (hotel) ------------------------------

at the ITU preferential tariff

------------ single/double room(s)

arriving on (date)-------------------------- at (time) ------------ departing on (date)-----------------------------

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*   --- E-mail: -----------------------------*

Credit card to guarantee this reservation: AX/VISA/DINERS/EC (or other) ---------------------------------

No. --   valid until   --

Date ---   Signature   --

ANNEX 4

	Joint ITU-WHO Workshop on "e-Health Standards and Interoperability" (Geneva, 26-27 April 2012)	

Please return to:	Fellowships Service ITU/BDT Geneva (Switzerland)	E-mail: bdtfellowships@itu.int Tel: +41 22 730 5227 Fax: +41 22 730 5778

Request for one full fellowship or two partial fellowships to be submitted before 26 March 2012

Participation of women is encouraged

Registration Confirmation I.D. No:

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(Note: It is imperative for fellowship holders to pre-register via the on-line registration form at: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/e-Health/201204/Pages/default.aspx)

Country: ....

Name of the Administration or Organization: ....

Mr / Ms: ....

(family name)   (given name)

Title: ....

Address: ....

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Tel: .... Fax: ....

E-Mail: ....

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Date of birth: .... Nationality: ....

Passport Number: .... Date issued: ....

In (place): .... Valid until (date): ....

CONDITIONS (Please select your preference)
1. ☐ One full fellowship or ☐ two partial fellowships (per eligible country)
2. In case of two partial fellowships, chose one of the following :

☐ Economy class airticket (Duty station / Geneva / Duty station)
☐ Daily subsistence allowance intended to cover accommodation, meals and misc. expenses.

Signature of fellowship candidate: .... Date: ....

TO VALIDATE FELLOWSHIP REQUEST, NAME AND SIGNATURE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL DESIGNATING PARTICIPANT MUST BE COMPLETED BELOW WITH OFFICIAL STAMP.

N.B. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT FELLOWS BE PRESENT FROM THE FIRST DAY TO THE END OF THE MEETING.

Signature: .... Date: ....