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To: All WSIS Stakeholders

- Governments
- Private Sector
- Civil Society
- International Organizations

Invitation to the WSIS Forum 2009 (Geneva, 18-22 May 2009)

Dear Sir/Madam,

ITU, UNESCO, UNCTAD and UNDP are pleased to invite you to the **WSIS Forum 2009** to be held **from 18 to 22 May 2009**, at the ITU Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland. This event builds upon the tradition of annual WSIS May meetings, and its new format is a result of the open consultations with all WSIS Stakeholders.

The Forum will offer participants a series of high level panels addressing critical issues to the WSIS implementation and follow-up in multi-stakeholder set-ups. You will have structured opportunities to network, to learn and to participate in the multi-stakeholder discussions and consultations on the WSIS implementation.

Relevant documentation for the meeting is constantly updated and available at www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2009/forum/.

Registration and badge requests can be done online through this website as of 18 March 2009.

Yours faithfully,

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