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To: All WSIS Stakeholders

- Governments
- Private Sector
- Civil Society
- Academia/ Technical Community
- International Organizations

World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) 2024: Call for Contributions

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite you to contribute to the WSIS 2024, including through the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event <u>Open Consultation Process (OCP)</u>, the <u>WSIS Stocktaking</u>, the <u>WSIS Prizes</u>, and the <u>WSIS Fund in Trust</u>.

The WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event, co-organized with UNESCO, UNDP and UNCTAD and co-hosted by ITU and the Swiss Confederation, will serve as a platform to review the progress, achievements, challenges, and opportunities of the WSIS follow-up process since the two phases of the Summit – Geneva in 2003 and Tunis in 2005. The event will take place from **27 to 31 May 2024 in Geneva**, **Switzerland**.

The OCP is an open and inclusive consultation with WSIS stakeholders to prepare for the event, including developing the event programme, identifying gaps in the implementation of the Geneva Plan of Action and the WSIS Action Lines, and contributing to the WSIS+20 review process. More information is available at www.wsis.org/forum. All stakeholders are encouraged to submit inputs through the official submission form.

Additionally, all stakeholders are invited to contribute to the <u>WSIS Stocktaking</u>, an international repository of 14,000+ projects, and the <u>WSIS Prizes 2024</u>, which promote best information and communication technologies practices advancing the WSIS Action Lines and the Sustainable Development Goals. Detailed information is available at <u>www.wsis.org/stocktaking</u> and <u>www.wsis.org/prizes</u>. Kindly note that the deadline for submissions is **31 January 2024**.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all contributors to the <u>WSIS Fund in Trust</u> to date for their dedication and commitment towards WSIS implementation, and invite all stakeholders to contribute to this fund. We rely on these contributions to fund the annual WSIS Forum, its preparation and follow-up.

Yours faithfully,

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