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To:

- Administrations of ITU Member States
- Regulators
- ITU-D Sector Members
- Academia

Subject: International conference "Keeping Children and Young People Safe Online", Warsaw, Poland, 20-21 September 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the **International Conference "Keeping Children and Young People Safe Online"** will be held in **Warsaw, Poland, from 20 to 21 September 2016**.

The Conference is co-organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Polish and German Safer Internet Centres, which have been working together within the European Commission's Safer Internet Program. They will continue to cooperate within the recently introduced Connecting Europe Facility Programme. The main partner of the event is the Orange Foundation.

The Conference is organized within the framework of the ITU European **Regional Initiative on Building Confidence and Security in the use of Telecommunications/ICTs**, adopted by the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2014 (WTDC-14), Dubai.

This Conference will address representatives of the education sector, NGOs, the judiciary and law enforcement agencies and Internet content service providers. Addressing a broad spectrum of issues related to the safety of children and young people on the Internet the Conference aims to raise awareness about the new challenges and opportunities in fighting online threats as well as to popularize best practices across different sectors.

Please note that the event will be paperless. Documents related to the event, including the draft agenda and practical information for participants will be posted on the ITU website at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Europe/Pages/Events/2016/COPW/Keeping-Children-and-Young-People-Safe-Online.aspx> and the host organization website at <http://www.saferinternet.pl/conference>.

The event will be conducted in English only.

Participants are requested to complete the online registration form available at <http://www.saferinternet.pl/en/10th-ic-form-2016>.

There is no participation fee for this meeting, however please note that all expenses concerning travel, accommodation and insurance of experts should be covered by your Administration / Organization / Company.

Participants requiring an entry visa to Poland should contact their nearest Polish Embassy or Consulate well in advance.

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Yours faithfully,

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