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Subject: **ITU Regional Forum on ICT Measurement,
Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 13-15 December 2016**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the ITU Regional Forum on ICT Measurement, which will be hosted by the Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (TRA) of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) in Dubai, from 13 to 15 December 2016.

The objective of the Forum is to strengthen the capacity of countries in the region to produce national statistics and indicators on information and communication technology (ICT) infrastructure, access and use by households and individuals, based on internationally agreed standards and methodologies. The Forum targets those responsible for the collection and production of ICT statistics, especially from ministries, regulatory agencies, National Statistical Offices (NSO), ICT service providers, regional and international organizations as well as other relevant experts.

Detailed information on the Forum, such as the Information Note for participants, including a list of recommended hotels, hotel reservation form, draft agenda and online registration is available on the following link: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/ArabStates/Pages/ICT-indicators.aspx>.

In order to facilitate the participation of delegates from the Arab Least Developed Countries (LDCs) in this Forum, there will be a limited number of full fellowships to cover the travel and accommodation expenses of two delegates from each Arab LDCs (one for a representative from the Ministry/Regulator and one for a participant from the NSO). The interested countries/entities should fill in the Fellowship Request Form, which is available on the Forum's website mentioned above and return it to ITU no later than 15 November 2016.

Should you require any further information, please contact Mr Karim Abdelghani, Programme Coordinator, ITU Regional Office for the Arab States (e-mail: karim.abdelghani@itu.int).

I look forward to your active participation and invaluable contribution.

Yours faithfully,

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