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Subject: **Extraordinary Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) and
Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI)
1 - 3 March 2017, Geneva, Switzerland**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organisation to the Extraordinary Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) and Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI), which will take place in Geneva from 1 to 3 March 2017. This will be a joint meeting of the two Expert Groups (EGTI/EGH).

As you may recall, the joint meeting of EGTI and EGH that was held in October 2016 decided to review the indicators included in the ICT Development Index (IDI) and to create a special EGTI/EGH sub-group to carry out this task. The decision was later endorsed by the World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium (WTIS) that was held in Botswana from 21 to 23 November 2016.

In order to help in speeding up the work of the sub-group, I engaged an independent group of experts to study this matter and also make recommendations. The Terms of Reference are available at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/events/egm.aspx>.

At the extraordinary meeting, the group of experts will present their findings as well as the Chairman of the sub-group. On the basis of those presentations, participants will be expected to consider, debate, and agree on a revised set of indicators to be included in the IDI.

The experience and expertise of your organisation in the field of telecommunication/ICT statistics will greatly contribute to the success of this meeting. I therefore count on your presence and valuable inputs to the discussions.

Please find attached the draft agenda of the meeting. Further details, including registration and other logistics, will be available at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/events/egm.aspx>.

I hope your organisation will be represented at an appropriate level as important decisions will be adopted at this meeting.

Taking this opportunity, I convey my Season's Greetings!

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

Brahima Sanou
Director

Annex 1: Draft Agenda



DRAFT AGENDA

Extraordinary Meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH)

1 – 3 March 2017

VENUE: Room Popov, ITU Tower Building
Geneva, Switzerland

Wednesday, 1 March 2017

08:00	Registration at the ITU Montbrillant Building
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome remarks – ITU Welcome remarks – Chair of the Extraordinary Meeting and Chair of the sub-group on reviewing the indicators included in the IDI
09:15 – 09:30	Group photo
09:30 – 10:00	Presentation of the conclusions of the Joint Meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) - ITU
10:00 – 10:30	COFFEE BREAK
10:30 – 12:30	Report back on WTIS-16 Discussions
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK
14:00 – 15:30	Presentation of the work carried out by the EGH/EGTI Sub-Group on Reviewing the Indicators included in the IDI Discussions
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 17:00	Discussions

Thursday, 2 March 2017

09:00 – 10:30	Presentation of the work carried out by the independent consultant
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	Discussions
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK
14:00 – 15:30	Special session of the EGH/EGTI Sub-Group on Reviewing the Indicators included in the IDI (to consolidate outcomes of work done by the Sub-Group, and work of consultant)
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 17:00	Drafting Group on proposed indicators included in the IDI

Friday, 3 March 2017

9:00 – 10:30	Presentation of proposed indicators
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	Discussions
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK
14:00 – 15:00	Adoption of the new indicators to be included in the IDI
15:00 – 15:30	Closing Ceremony