



**Telecommunication  
Development Bureau (BDT)**

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National Statistical Offices (NSO)

**Subject: Data collection to calculate the ICT Development Index (IDI) based on a revised set of 14 indicators**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to bring to your attention that in 2018 the ICT Development Index (IDI) value will be published based on new 14 indicators. Please note that up until end of 2017, the IDI was based on 11 indicators. However, the Extraordinary Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) and Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI), which met in Geneva from 1 to 3 March 2017, adopted 14 indicators to be used in calculating the IDI from 2018 onwards.

As you are aware the timely collection and submission of complete and accurate data is of paramount importance for our calculation of the IDI and correct reporting.

For this reason, I ask for your cooperation in ensuring that complete up-to-date data are submitted to ITU in the upcoming ICT Household Short questionnaire, which will be open for online completion from 30 March 2018 to 13 April 2018. This questionnaire will be the basis for the calculation of the IDI 2018.

On experimental basis, ITU included in the 2017 short questionnaire a request for data related to the 14 indicators (although this did not impact the 2017 IDI calculation). Based on the information we received, we noted that there was missing data as shown in Annex 1. We hope that when you submit the 2018 short questionnaire, the data will be complete.

Should you need further details concerning the ITU data available for your country, the Telecommunication Development Bureau's ICT Data and Statistics Division is at your service at [indicators@itu.int](mailto:indicators@itu.int) or +41 22 780 5410.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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Director

Annex 1: ICT Household Indicators Included in the Revised IDI

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**ANNEX 1****ICT Household Indicators Included in the Revised IDI**

Source: Household Short questionnaire

**Country specific****2015****2016**

<b>ACCESS</b>	Percentage of households with a computer		
	Percentage of households with internet access		
<b>USE</b>	Percentage of individuals using the internet		
	Percentage of individuals who own a mobile phone		
<b>SKILLS</b>	% copying or moving a file or folder		
	% using copy and paste tools to duplicate or move information within a document		
	% sending e-mails with attached files		
	% using basic arithmetic formula in a spreadsheet		
	% connecting and installing new devices		
	% creating electronic presentations with presentation software		
	% finding, downloading, installing and configuring software		
	% transferring files between a computer and other devices		
	% writing a computer program using a specialized programming language		