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**Subject: Invitation to the 20th ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium (WTIS-25)
Geneva, Switzerland, 22-23 September 2025**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the 20th World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium (WTIS-25), the main global forum on digital development statistics. The event is organized and hosted by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and will take place from 22 to 23 September 2025 at the ITU headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

Under the theme "WTIS@20: The past, present and future of digital development statistics", the 2025 edition will reflect on nearly three decades of progress since the first symposium in 1996, highlight current priorities, and explore new data needs to support digital development in an evolving landscape.

WTIS-25 will be followed by the [13th Meeting of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators \(EGH\)](#) and the [16th Meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators \(EGTI\)](#), which will take place from 24 to 26 September 2025, also in Geneva. An invitation will be sent separately for the EGTI and EGH meetings, which will, for the first time, include a full-day hands-on workshop for digital development statistics practitioners. The three events will form a digital development statistics week.

WTIS-25 is open to all the membership and primarily targets those responsible for digital development statistics in relevant ministries, regulatory agencies, and national statistical offices, and in the private sector. Other experts concerned with digital development data and related issues are also welcome to attend.

Registration to the event is mandatory and must be completed exclusively online via this [registration link](#). Participants are required to fill out the online registration form and subsequently obtain approval from the corresponding [Designated Focal Points \(DFPs\) for ITU-D event registration](#). An [ITU user account](#) is required to complete this process.

Remote participation will be available to participants who are duly registered for the event. All participants are encouraged to register early and to indicate whether they intend to attend in person or remotely.

Interpretation will be provided based on requests submitted during registration. Participants who require interpretation in a language other than English (i.e. in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish) must indicate this in the registration form. Interpretation requests must be submitted no later than **8 August 2025 (23:59 hours CEST)**, 45 calendar days before the event.

For assistance with the registration process, please contact: BDTMeetingsRegistration@itu.int.

The [WTIS-25 website](#) provides information about logistics and will be updated with the detailed programme, speakers, and additional information in due course. For any enquiries about the symposium, please write to wtis@itu.int.

I hope your organization will be able to participate in this important event.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

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