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Subject: Invitation to Accessible Europe 2025: ICT4ALL; 2-3 December 2025, Brussels, Belgium

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is my pleasure to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the upcoming Regional Forum, "Accessible Europe: ICT4ALL", to be held on 2-3 December 2025 in Brussels, Belgium. The Forum is organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the European Commission (EC), with the support of key European stakeholders.

Accessible Europe: ICT4ALL is a multistakeholder regional knowledge development forum held within the framework of the ITU Regional Initiative for Europe on "Digital inclusion and skills development". In tandem with the International Day of Persons with Disabilities observed on December 3rd, this two-day event will leverage regional capacity on the topic of ICT accessibility and enable interactive discussions to share best practices. Special focus will be accorded to the intersection of innovation, inclusive design, and accessibility in the public and private sectors. Policy discussions will take place in light of the European Accessibility Act (EAA), which requires the member states to implement their transposed national laws by June 2025. The sessions are tailored to address Europe-specific challenges and opportunities aimed at fostering a digitally inclusive future.

The second day of Accessible Europe will highlight ICT innovations for accessibility. The Forum will feature a Pitching Competition on Digital Innovative Solutions for Accessible Europe. It will spotlight innovative European digital solutions dedicated to assisting persons with disabilities and enhancing accessibility. Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a public vote to recognize the most impactful solutions presented. These sessions will bring together relevant stakeholders and provide a unique networking opportunity to foster collaboration in the digital accessibility field within the European region.

Please refer to the attached Annex for the draft agenda. For more details on the event and pitching competition, please visit <u>itu.int/go/EUR_ICT4ALL</u>.

For this event, real-time captioning and international sign-language interpretation will be provided. For further specific accessibility accommodations, please contact eurregion@itu.int by 01 October 2025. Please note that the provision of any additional accommodation is subject to the availability of resources and funding. This meeting will be in-person and will be held in English only.

Should you need any further information, please contact the ITU Office for Europe (eurregion@itu.int). Our team is available to assist with any inquiries regarding the event.

I look forward to your active engagement and participation in this event.

Yours faithfully,

(Original signed)

Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava Director

Annex 1: DRAFT AGENDA

Tuesday, 2 December 2025

08:00-09:00	Registration and Networking
09:00-09:30	Opening Ceremony
09:30-10:30	Session 1: International and Regional Perspective on Policies, Strategies, and Targets for Digital Accessibility
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:00	Session 2: Digital Accessibility in Europe: Turning Policies into Practice and Advancing Implementation
12:00-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-15:30	Session 3: Digital Accessibility in the Public Sector
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:00	Session 4: Digital Accessibility in the Private Sector
17:00	Closing of the First Day

Wednesday, 3 December 2025

08:30-09:00	Badging and Networking
09:00-09:30	Special Session: International Day of Persons with Disabilities
09:30	Technical Break
09:30-10:30	Session 5: Accessibility in Smart Cities & Virtual Worlds
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break and Number Draw for Pitching Competition
11:00-12:00	Session 6: Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Digital Accessibility
12:00-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-15:30	Session 7: Pitching Competition: Digital Innovation for Accessible Europe
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-16:40	Session 8: Driving Innovation for Digital Accessibility
16:40-17:00	Announcement of Pitching Competition Winners
17:00	Closing of Accessible Europe 2025