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To
ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates &
Academia

Subject: **Invitation to all stakeholders to participate in and submit contributions to the physical open consultations of CWG-Internet on 28 September 2015 at the ITU HQ in Geneva, Switzerland.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 3 July 2015, you were kindly invited (see [CL-15/31](#)) to participate in the [online open consultation](#) of CWG-Internet, launched in June 2015 on the following topic:

"With a view to discussing the establishment of Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) to advance connectivity, improve service quality and increase network stability and resilience, fostering competition and reducing interconnection costs, as proposed by Opinion 1 of WTPF-13 and consistent with PP-14 Resolutions 101 and 102, **stakeholders are invited to elaborate and exemplify on the challenges faced and identify widely accepted best practices for the design, installation and operation of IXPs.**"

You are now invited to participate in the physical open consultation meeting, open to all stakeholders, to be held on **Monday, 28 September 2015** at the ITU HQ in Geneva, Switzerland. Input from the open online consultation on the above topic decided by the CWG-Internet will form the basis of discussion at the physical open consultation meeting.

For further information and updates on the registration process, agenda and meeting documents, please visit the CWG-Internet Website: www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-internet

Please also note that an **"ITU Workshop on the establishment of Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) to advance inter-connectivity"**, co-organized by BDT and TSB, will be held on 28 September, immediately preceding the physical open consultation. This workshop aims to provide insights on the value of IXPs in leveraging the benefits of connectivity through potentially reduced transmission costs, optimized Internet traffic, and improved Quality of Service among others. This workshop will also discuss widely accepted best practices for the design, installation and operation of IXPs. More information on this event will be made available on the ITU Website in due course.

You are further encouraged to inform other interested stakeholders, who might wish to participate in the aforementioned events.

Yours faithfully,

[signed]

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