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Subject: **World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-20)**
(17-27 November 2020)
Global Standards Symposium (GSS-20) (16 November 2020)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that, following the kind invitation by the Government of India and the consultation with the Member States of ITU, the forthcoming World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-20) of the ITU be convened in Hyderabad, India, for a duration of nine working days from 17 to 27 November 2020.

In accordance with Article 25 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and Section 3 of the General Rules of Conferences, Assemblies and other Meetings of the Union as well as Resolution 145 (Antalya, 2006), I therefore have great pleasure in hereby inviting your Organization to send observers to WTSA-20.

I also invite you to the Global Standards Symposium (GSS-20) which will be convened on 16 November 2020, also in Hyderabad, India.

Under separate cover you will soon receive the relevant Circular of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (TSB) containing information on the organization and arrangements of WTSA-20 and GSS-20.

In line with ITU gender equality and mainstreaming policy and Resolution 198 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on empowerment of youth through telecommunication/ICT, I would also like to take the opportunity to encourage you to include women and young people in your delegation. As part of my commitments to the [International Gender Champions](#), ITU [reports on the representation of women in all ITU meetings](#).

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

Houlin Zhao
Secretary-General