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| **Agenda item: PL 2** | **Addendum 1 toDocument C23/8-E** |
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| Report by the Secretary-General |
| **MEASURING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES TO BUILD AN INTEGRATING AND INCLUSIVE INFORMATION SOCIETY** |
| **Purpose** The purpose of this addendum is to provide information on the developments related to the implementation of PP Resolution 131 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) after Document C23/8 was published on 30 March 2023. **Action required by the Council**Council is invited **to note** this document.**Relevant link(s) with the Strategic Plan**Provision of data and statistics**Financial implications**None.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**References**Document [C23/8](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0008/en), [Resolution 131](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts-2023/RES-131-E.pdf) (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference. |

In March-April 2023, following the consultation with Members of the Expert Group on Telecommunications/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and of the Expert Group on ICT Household Indicators (EGH) on a ‘[zero draft](https://staging.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/IDI/IDI2023ZeroDraftDocument_February2023.pdf)’ methodology that ended on 21 March 2023, the Secretariat compiled all the comments, responded to them, and updated the methodology to produce [Version 1](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/IDI/IDI_2023_Version1_DraftDocument_April2023.pdf) of the IDI methodology.

Through [Circular BDT/DKH/IDA/009](https://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-d/md/22/bdt/cir/D22-BDT-CIR-0009%21%21PDF-E.pdf) of 21 April 2023, all Member States were invited to comment on the Version 1 of the IDI methodology during a four-week consultation period, using the same discussion forum. Fourteen Member States submitted comments.

Following the consultation with Member States, the Secretariat compiled the comments received, responded to them, and produced [Version 2](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/IDI/IDI_2023_Version2_DraftDocument_June2023.pdf) of the IDI methodology. The Version 2 document also identified outstanding issues with the methodology. To resolve these outstanding issues and seeking consensus, a [virtual joint EGTI/EGH meeting](https://www.itu.int/itu-d/meetings/statistics/joint-egti-egh-meeting-on-idi-2023/) on the IDI methodology was organised on 13-15 June 2023, in accordance with [Resolution 131](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts-2023/RES-131-E.pdf) (*instructs to BDT Director 9*). The invitation to the meeting was sent via [Circular BDT/DKH/IDA/007](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Documents/IDI/D22-BDT-CIR-0007PDF-E.pdf) of 21 March 2023.

The ‘Version 2’ document was shared with all interested parties ahead of the meeting, via [Circular BDT/DKH/IDA/010](https://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-d/md/22/bdt/cir/D22-BDT-CIR-0010%21%21PDF-E.pdf) of 2 June 2023.

Following the meeting, the [Summary Report](https://www.itu.int/itu-d/meetings/statistics/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2023/06/IDI_2023_meeting_summary_report_for-posting.pdf) of the meeting was posted on the meeting’s page. On 23 June 2023, during the [Telecommunication Development Advisory Group 2023](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Conferences/TDAG/Pages/2023/default.aspx), an update was provided by the ITU Secretariat (agenda item 8.9).

Based on the outcomes of the meeting, the Secretariat will revise and finalize the methodology of the IDI. The final methodology will be submitted for approval by Member States in August. Member States will be asked:

1. if they approve the Index methodology; and
2. if they want to opt out from the 2023 edition of the Index (in which case, they will still be able to join in subsequent editions).

The methodology will be adopted if 70 per cent of responding Member States approve it, as per Resolution 131. In this case, the IDI 2023 will be released in late November or early December of this year.

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