



## **General Secretariat (SG)**

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Subject: Invitation to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 Forum High-Level

Event 2024 and the AI for Good Global Summit 2024

Sir/Madam,

We have the pleasure of inviting you to participate in the  $\underline{WSIS+20}$  Forum High-Level Event (27 – 31 May 2024) and the  $\underline{AI}$  for Good Global Summit 2024 (30 – 31 May 2024) taking place in Geneva, Switzerland.

Two decades ago, WSIS set the framework for global digital cooperation during the two phases of the Summit – in Geneva in 2003 and Tunis in 2005 – with a vision to build people-centric, inclusive, and development-oriented information and knowledge societies. Ahead of the United Nations General Assembly's twenty-year review of WSIS, the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event will serve as a platform for multistakeholder exchanges and a catalyst for action, taking stock of achievements, key trends, and challenges since the 2003 Geneva Plan of Action. You are invited to participate in the **High-Level Track**, scheduled on 27 and 28 May, featuring a ministerial roundtable on Tuesday 28 May. It will be an opportunity to underline your country's commitment to accelerating the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by harnessing the power of Information and Communication Technologies.

Moreover, we are pleased to invite you to **AI Governance Day "From Principles to Implementation"**. The AI Governance Day on 29 May will convene both the AI for Good and WSIS stakeholders to explore the global surge in AI policy, regulation, and governance efforts, identifying commonalities and forging pathways to transform dialogue into action. Ministers, policy-makers, technology experts, industry innovators, UN partners and thought leaders will come together in morning roundtables (*invitation-only*). The afternoon sessions will be open to the public.

Kindly submit your speaking slot request for the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event and your confirmation of participation in the AI Governance Day using the following link, no later than 29 February 2024.

We look forward to your participation in this significant week in Geneva.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Doreen Bogdan-Martin Secretary-General

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