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To:
– Member States of ITU Council
– Observer Member States of ITU
– RTOs

Subject: **Update on the organization of the 2026 session of the Council,
28 April – 8 May 2026**

Dear Madam/Sir,

Further to my invitation letter to attend the forthcoming 2026 Session of the Council at ITU headquarters from **Tuesday, 28 April to Friday, 8 May 2026**, I am pleased to share with you some updated information on organizational matters.

Updated draft agenda and draft time management plan

An updated draft agenda of the 2026 ordinary session has been published on the Council website as Document [C26/1](#). Additionally, the draft time management plans for the Plenary and Standing Committee on Administration and Management (SC-ADM) (Documents [C26/DT/2](#) and [C26/DT/3](#)) have been published, and a combined online time management plan is available [here](#).

Documentation

Council documents are available online on the website at council.itu.int/2026/en/documents/.

The [ITU C26 Sync Application](#) is also available for download and is configured to synchronize the latest published documents. If you wish to be notified by e-mail when new or updated Council documents are posted, kindly update your TIES access at www.itu.int/en/ties-services/.

I would like to remind you that in accordance with Council Decision 556, all contributions should be submitted no later than 14 calendar days before the opening of the meeting, i.e. **14 April 2026**. Member States are invited to send their contributions to the meeting to contributions@itu.int by using the [template](#) available on the Council-26 website.

In accordance with Council Decision 495, should a Member State of the Council deem that an information document needs to be considered by the Council for further action, the said Member State of Council should express its wish to have the information document translated in all six official languages, no later than five (5) calendar days after its publication on the Council website.

Remote participation and Council deliberations

Council 2026 is a physical meeting with interactive remote participation where decisions are taken in the Plenary by delegates present in the room. Registered remote participants can access the meetings through the [ITU restricted virtual events page](#). Additionally, Council deliberations will be available through [webcast](#) (TIES-protected).

Meetings prior to Council 2026

An informal physical meeting of the Informal Expert Group on the World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (IEG-WTPF-26) will be held on **26 April 2026** in Room C. New participants can register [here](#).

Further to discussions at the Council Working Groups in January, a meeting of the Council Working Group on the strategic and financial plans for 2028-2031 (CWG-SFP) will be held on **27 April 2026** from 0930 to 1230 hours followed by a joint meeting of the CWG-SFP and the Council Working Group on financial and human resources (CWG-FHR) from 1530 to 1730 hours in Room C. Registration can be accessed [here](#).

Informal briefing with Councillors (for Councillors only): An informal briefing with Councillors will take place on Monday, **27 April 2026**, from 1730 to 1830 hours in Room A.

Social events

The ITU Protocol Service maintains and monitors a social events calendar. If your administration wishes to organize a social event such as a coffee break, lunch, or reception during Council-26, you are invited to contact the ITU Protocol Service at protocol.service@itu.int. The list of social events is available on the [C26 website](#).

Side events

A list of planned side events will be posted on the [C26 website](#).

Registration

Registration for the 2026 session of the Council is open and carried out exclusively online at the following webpage: council.itu.int/2026/en/participation/.

In line with Resolutions 70 and 198 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), I would like to invite you to support and encourage the participation of women and young people in your delegation.

In accordance with provision No. 60A of the Convention of the ITU, a Member State which is not a Member State of the Council may send **one observer** at its own expense to meetings of the Council. Information on participation of observers at the Council is provided in Rules 7, 11, 12, 15 and 21 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council.

Participants from the Permanent Missions in Geneva are reminded that they will not be able to use their UNOG accredited pass. An ITU Council badge is required to enter the meeting rooms, and therefore registration with an ITU user account is necessary.

Council identity badges can be collected at ITU headquarters in Geneva (Montbrillant Building, main entrance). Please verify the opening times of the badging desk on the [participation webpage](#).

I look forward to welcoming you in Geneva.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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Secretary-General