



## General Secretariat (SG)

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Ref: **CL-16/04**  
Contact: Ms Doreen Bogdan-Martin To the Member States of ITU  
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Subject: **Dates and place of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-16)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to resolves 4.2 of Resolution 77 (Rev. Busan, 2014), and as noted in [Document C15/52](#) reviewed at the 2015 session of Council, the next World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-16) should be held in the last quarter of 2016 for a duration of eight (8) days.

As per Resolution 122 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), WTSA-16 will be preceded by a one (1)-day Global Standards Symposium.

On 8 December 2015, I have received an official invitation from the Government of Tunisia to hold WTSA-16 in Yasmine Hammamet from **25 October to 3 November 2016** preceded by the Global Standards Symposium on **24 October 2016**.

In the absence of a decision by the Plenipotentiary Conference and in accordance with No 42 of the ITU Convention, the Council shall determine the exact dates and precise place of a WTSA with the concurrence of a majority of the Member States.

Consequently, on 14 December 2015, the Chairman of the Council invited the Member States of the Council to confirm in writing their agreement as to the exact dates and precise place for WTSA-16. The Council has now given its approval to the exact dates and precise place for WTSA-16.

The exact dates and precise place for WTSA-16 are now subject to the concurrence of a majority of the Member States of ITU (see No. 42 of the ITU Convention).

The Member States of ITU are thus invited to inform the Secretary-General of their concurrence with the exact dates and precise place for WTSA-16, as described above, preferably by e-mail at [membership@itu.int](mailto:membership@itu.int) or fax to the number +41 22 730 6675, **by Monday, 15 February 2016**, at the latest.

Looking forward to receiving your reply, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

*(signed)*

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Secretary-General