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To ITU Academia

Subject: **World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-16)**  
**Global Standards Symposium (GSS-16)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that, following the kind invitation by the Government of Tunisia and the consultation with the Member States of ITU, the forthcoming World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-16) of the ITU be convened in Yasmine Hammamet, Tunisia, for a duration of eight working days from 25 October to 3 November 2016, preceded by the Global Standards Symposium (GSS-16) on 24 October 2016.

In accordance with Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2012), I therefore have great pleasure in hereby inviting your Organization to participate in a non-advisory capacity at both WTSA-16 and GSS-16.

Under separate cover you will shortly receive the relevant Circular of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (TSB) containing information on the organization and arrangements of WTSA-16 and GSS-16.

In line with ITU gender equality and mainstreaming policy and Resolution 198 (Busan, 2014) 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.

Yours faithfully,

*(signed)*

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Secretary-General