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| **Subject:** | **Virtual Forum on “The Role of Standards in Accelerating Digital Transformation for Cities and Communities”, 22 April 2021** |

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 I am pleased to inform you that­ the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing the **Virtual Forum on “The Role of Standards in Accelerating Digital Transformation for Cities and Communities”**. This forum will take place virtually from 1200-1430 hours, Geneva time, on **22 April 2021**.

2 This virtual forum will be held in English only.

3 Participation in the virtual forum is open to ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academic Institutions and to any individual from a country that is a member of ITU and who wishes to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members of international, regional and national organizations. Participation is free of charge.

4 Recognizing the transformative potential of digital technologies and the urgency to develop a shared vision on digital transformation, the objective of this virtual forum is to explore the good practices for developing, driving and accelerating digital transformation in cities and communities.

5 Information relating to this virtual forum including the draft programme and practical information, will be available on the event website at the following address: <https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/climatechange/Pages/20210422.aspx>. This website will be updated regularly as new or modified information becomes available. Participants are encouraged to check the websites periodically for the latest updates.

6 Please note that the virtual forum will be hosted on Zoom.

7 You are invited to complete the online registration form available at: <https://itu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gNINQTfcQlGgesL-lQiHKA>

Yours faithfully,

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Standardization Bureau