"Girls in ICT Day Indonesia and Asia and the Pacific

Knowledge Sharing and Networking Session"

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Sunday, 21 May 2023 15:45 – 16:00 Bali time (GMT+8) time Closing Remarks Duration: 5 minutes

Distinguished Guests, and participants,

I would like to express my appreciation to all our partners, including AIBD, TVRI, The Government of Australia, the Ministry of Communications and Information, Technology Samoa, and UNICEF. My special thanks go to the teachers, and students from **S-M-A 2 Kuta Selatan, Politechnik Negeri Bali,** and **The London School of Public Relations, Bali** for their participation in today's event, Knowledge Sharing and Networking Session. It would not be possible without their participation and contributions.

Girls in ICT Day is not just about providing girls and young with access to technology. It's also about empowering them to use technology in meaningful ways and create a positive impact in their communities and society at large. In an increasingly digital world, empowering girls with ICT is not only beneficial for girls themselves, but also for their families, communities, and national economies.

We all came together and joined our hands and showed that girls and women are critical actors in the digital transformation and future of the country.

This event is one of the series of Girls in ICT Day celebrations which are been organized in Asía and the Pacific and beyond. With you, we will continue the celebrations and our engagement in Indonesia and across Asia and the

Pacific. Please spread the words, invite your friends, teachers, students, family members to join the website, social media platforms and upcoming celebrations. Please visit us on our Girls in ICT Day website and our LinkedIn and Twitter accounts where we Will post the potos and stories of todays event

We hope that you are encouraged and inspired you to take a step forward, big or small, to dream big, stay connected and committed, and harness the power of the technology towards a digital future – your digital future.

Thank you.