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To: Administration of ITU Member States Regulators, National Statistical Offices (NSO), ITU-D Sector Members Telecom operators and Service providers, Associates and Academia

Subject:

ITU Regional Workshop on ICT Indicators and Measurements for Africa (English Speaking), 27-30 October 2015, Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)

Sir/ Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in conjunction with the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia invites you to the ITU Regional Workshop on ICT Indicators and Measurement for Africa to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) Conference Centre, Addis Ababa; Ethiopia from 27th- 30th October, 2015.

The objective of the workshop is to strengthen the capacity of countries in the region to produce national indicators and statistics on telecommunication/ICT, based on internationally agreed standards and methodologies. The workshop shall also guide Member States on the methodologies and parameters used in the ICT Development Index (IDI) and ICT price basket. The workshop will also cover the ICT indicators included in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) monitoring framework.

The event, open to all the ITU membership is primarily targeted at experts directly responsible for ICT statistics in relevant Ministries, regulatory agencies, telecommunication operating companies and national statistical offices. Experts interested in the subject of information society measurements are also welcome to attend. The agenda of the workshop is attached (Annex 1) to this invitation letter.

I invite you to visit our website (http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/events/ethiopia2015 in order to obtain additional/detailed information, including logistics information (hotels, visa, etc.) and other relevant material.

Please note that the workshop will be held in English, and travel arrangements and accommodation should be made and borne by the participating entity.

You are invited to register online using the following link: http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/events/ethiopia2015. Online registration will be opened until 9th October 2015.

I am also pleased to inform you that partial fellowships will be awarded based on available funding to facilitate participation from least developed countries (LDC) or low income developing countries (LIC) to this workshop. Application for fellowship, limited to one person per country, must be authorized by the relevant Administration of the ITU Member State. The fellowship request form, annexed to this letter as Annex 2, should be returned to ITU not later than 2nd October 2015.

For any question related to the program please contact Ms. Anne Rita Ssemboga on Tel: +263 4 77 5939/5941, Fax: +263 4 77 1257, E-mail: anne.rita.ssemboga@itu.int;

I very much hope that you will be able to participate and share your views and valuable experience with the participants, which will contribute to enrich the discussions and the outputs of the workshop.

Yours faithfully,

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Annexe 1:

Draft agenda

Annexe 2:

Fellowship Request Form