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| Subject: | **Forum on Internet of Things: Empowering the New Urban Agenda  Geneva, Switzerland, 19 October 2015** | |

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 I would like to inform you that a **Forum on Internet of Things: Empowering the New Urban Agenda** will take place at ITU headquarters, Geneva, on 19 October 2015. The Forum will be held in conjunction with ITU-T Study Group 20 “Internet of things and its applications including smart cities and communities” that will take place from 19 to 23 October and ITU-T Study Group 5 “Environment and Climate Change” that will take place from 12 to 23 October 2015.

The Forum will open at 1030 hours on 19 October 2015. Participant’s registration will begin at 0830 hours at the Montbrillant entrance. Detailed information concerning the meeting rooms will be displayed on screens at the entrances to ITU headquarters.

2 Discussions will be held in English only.

3 Participation is open to ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates and Academic Institutions and to any individual from a country which is a member of ITU who wishes to contribute to the work. This includes individuals who are also members of international, regional and national organizations. The workshop is free of charge but **no** fellowships will be granted.

4 The objective of this Forum will be to discuss the role that Internet of Things (IoT) plays in relation to converging technologies for building smart sustainable cities with integrated ecosystems. This forum will bring together smart city stakeholders, managers and engineers working with IoT applications, service providers planning on delivering IoT solutions, and policy and standards makers. It will assemble IoT experts from industry, government and academia.

5 A **draft programme** of the Forum will be made available on the ITU   
website: <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/iot/20151019/Pages/default.aspx>. This website will be regularly updated as new or modified information become available. Participants are requested to check periodically for new updates.

6 Wireless LAN facilities are available for use by delegates in the ITU main conference room areas and in the CICG (Geneva International Conference Centre) building.

7 For your convenience, a hotel confirmation form is enclosed as Annex 1 (see [http://www.itu.int/travel/](http://www.itu.int/travel) for the list of hotels).

8 To enable TSB to make the necessary arrangements concerning the organization of the workshop, I should be grateful if you would register via the on-line form <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/Workshops-and-Seminars/iot/20151019/Pages/default.aspx> , as soon as possible, but **not later than 4 October 2015**. **Please note that pre-registration of participants to workshops is carried out exclusively *online*.**

9 I would remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa in order to enter and spend any time in Switzerland. **The visa must be requested at least four (4) weeks before the date of beginning of the workshop** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Switzerland in your country or, if there is no such office in your country, from the one that is closest to the country of departure.

10 If problems are encountered by **ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates or Academic Institutions**, and at the official request made by them to TSB, the Union can approach the competent Swiss authorities in order to facilitate delivery of the visa but only within the period mentioned of **four** weeks. Any such request should be made by official letter from the administration or entity you represent. This letter must specify the name and functions, date of birth, number, dates of issue and expiry of passport of the individual(s) for whom the visa(s) is/are requested and be accompanied by a copy of the notification of confirmation of registration approved for the ITU-T workshop in question, and must be sent to TSB by fax (+41 22 730 5853) or e-mail ([tsbreg@itu.int](mailto:tsbreg@itu.int)), bearing the words **“visa request”**. **Please also note that ITU can assist only representatives of ITU Member States, ITU Sector Members, ITU Associates and ITU Academic Institutions.**

Yours faithfully,

Chaesub Lee  
Director of the Telecommunication  
Standardization Bureau

**Annex: 1**

ANNEX 1  
(to TSB Circular 161)

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| *This confirmation form should* ***be sent direct to the hotel*** *of your choice* |

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**Forum on Internet of Things: Empowering the New Urban Agenda** on 19 October 2015 in Geneva.

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