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Subject: 10th ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Meeting (WTIM),

Bangkok, Thailand, 25-27 September 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your organization to participate in the 10th World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Meeting (WTIM), which will take place in Bangkok (Thailand), from 25 to 27 September 2012. The WTIM is organized by the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and hosted by the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT) of Thailand. The WTIM will be preceded by a two-day meeting of the Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI), in the same location. Separate invitations will be sent to members of the EGTI discussion forum concerning the EGTI meeting.

The WTIM 2012 will address, among others, the following topics:

- 1. Measuring fixed and mobile broadband, including prices, speed and capacity.
- 2. Measuring progress towards the achievement of the WSIS outcomes, including in the areas of education, business and security (jointly organized with the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development).
- 3. Revisions to the indicators on household ICT access and individual ICT usage, including aspects of youth and gender.
- 4. Emerging issues such as measuring digital broadcasting and Internet content.
- 5. Results of the work carried out by the EGTI since the 9th WTIM.

The WTIM, open to all the membership, is primarily targeted at those 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 meeting.

Within the budget available, one fellowship per country may be granted to participants from countries with a GDP per capita of less than 2'000 USD. Priority will be given to applicants who submit a paper of direct relevance to an agenda item. Due to budgetary constraints, the countries benefiting from ITU fellowships may be required to partly contribute to expenses associated to their nominee's participation. Please note that both the contribution/paper and fellowship form must be received at ITU no later than **10 August 2012**.

Please indicate on the registration form whether you require languages other than English before **20 July 2012**. Based on the requests made by this deadline and provided there are at least five requests for a given language, interpretation will be provided in the requested languages.

Participants are encouraged to submit papers relevant to the agenda items of the meeting, by e-mail, to wtim@itu.int. These papers will only be available in the languages in which they are submitted.

Further information on the meeting, including registration details, fellowship forms and all other logistical information such as accommodation and visa arrangements, can be found on our website at http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/ict/WTIM12/.

I hope your organization will be able to participate in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

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