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To: World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators  
Contacts  
National Statistical Offices

**Subject: Release of the *ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Database, 17<sup>th</sup> edition***

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you of the release of the *ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Database (WTID), 17<sup>th</sup> edition*. The database, which is released biannually, is one of the flagship statistical products of the BDT.

The WTID contains time series data for more than 200 economies worldwide and more than 150 telecommunication/ICT statistics. The latest release includes end-2012 data for selected indicators such as fixed-telephone subscriptions, mobile-cellular telephone subscriptions, international Internet bandwidth, fixed (wired)-broadband Internet subscriptions, wireless broadband subscriptions, prices of different ICT services, percentage of individuals using the Internet, percentage of households with Internet and percentage of households with computer. Several of these indicators will feature in the ICT Development Index (IDI), to be released later this year as part of the *Measuring the Information Society Report 2013*.

The data included in the WTID are collected through the annual questionnaires that ITU sends to your agency's statistical contact and to your country's national statistical office. Your contribution to this database is highly appreciated. I hope that you will continue supporting the ITU data collection by providing the latest data through the ITU World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators questionnaires.

A copy of the database is available at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/stat/dtbs/default0617-4156.aspx> and further information can be obtained on the ITU/BDT statistics website at <http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/ict/>.

I trust that you will find this database useful in your analyses.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

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