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To: All WSIS stakeholders

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**Invitation to the World Summit on the Information Society Forum  
6-10 July 2026, Geneva, Switzerland**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have the pleasure to invite you to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum 2026, which will take place from 6 to 10 July 2026 in Geneva, Switzerland. The Event will be co-hosted by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Swiss Confederation, and co-organized by ITU, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

WSIS is a multistakeholder United Nations (UN) process on digital governance and cooperation, with a vision of fostering people-centred, inclusive, and development-oriented information and knowledge societies. The adoption of the [UNGA Resolution \(A/RES/80/173\) on the Outcome Document of the High-Level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Overall Review of the Implementation of the Outcomes of the WSIS](#) on 17 December 2025 renewed the mandate for the WSIS process until 2035. Anchored in this mandate, the Forum remains the primary platform for dialogue, collaboration, and action, in response to rapidly emerging digital challenges and is called to continue convening annually.

The WSIS Forum 2026 is strengthened by the collaborative engagement of nearly 50 UN entities, including those serving as facilitators and co-facilitators of the WSIS Action Lines, reflecting the continued system-wide commitment of the United Nations to digital cooperation and development.

Reflecting its inclusive and multistakeholder nature, the agenda and programme of the WSIS Forum are shaped through an [Open Consultation Process](#) (deadline for submission: 31 March 2026) that allows all stakeholders to contribute. Relevant documents, agenda and registration are available at [www.wsis.org/forum](http://www.wsis.org/forum). Participants are advised to secure accommodation as early as possible. The event will also offer options for remote participation.

To ensure gender balance at the WSIS Forum 2026, we invite all WSIS stakeholders to support and encourage the participation of women in their delegations, as well as the active engagement of youth and underrepresented groups.

We look forward to your participation and contribution to this important event, which emphasizes our shared commitment to ensuring that digital transformation delivers tangible benefits for all, especially the most vulnerable, so that no one is left behind.

Yours faithfully,

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