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This submission was prepared as an input to the report of the UN Secretary-General on "Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society at the regional and international levels" (to the 17th session of the CSTD), in response to the request by the Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 2006/46, to the UN Secretary-General to inform the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on the implementation of the outcomes of the WSIS as part of his annual reporting to the Commission.

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Dear Ms. Miroux,
Dear Ms. Gehl Sampath,

I write in response to the letter dated 11 October from Secretary-General Kituyi addressed to the OECD Secretary-General.

In reply to the request, I would direct your attention to the OECD's recent publication "The Internet Economy on the Rise: Progress since the Seoul Declaration" which reviews progress made since the 2008 OECD Seoul Declaration for the Future of the Internet Economy and identifies areas for future work. In particular, it identifies seven themes: high-speed infrastructure; digital content and green ICTs; the development of smarter applications; cybersecurity and privacy; consumer empowerment and protection; an open Internet economy; and global participation for development. The publication is available here <http://www.oecd.org/sti/ieconomy/internet-economy-on-the-rise.htm> and I have attached a copy for your convenience.

In addition, I would note that we have recently released a revision to the "OECD Guidelines Governing the Protection of Privacy and Transborder Flows of Personal Data". The revised guidelines are available here: <http://oe.cd/privacy>. I have also attached a copy of a booklet that includes the revised Guidelines along with other privacy work by OECD.

I hope this information is useful in the preparation of the annual report. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the materials referred to above or our work on the Internet economy.

Yours sincerely,



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