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outcomes**

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Subject: Outcomes of the WSIS+10 High-Level Event

Madam,

It is my pleasure to address you in your capacity as the Chairman of the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development, in the follow up to the WSIS+10 High Level Event.

The WSIS+10 High Level Event, coordinated and hosted by ITU and co-organized by ITU, UNESCO, UNCTAD and UNDP with the engagement of other UN Agencies, including FAO, ILO, ITC, UNDESA, UNODC, UPU, UN Women, WMO, WHO, WFP, WIPO and UN Regional Commissions was held from 10-13 June 2014 (with pre-events held on 9 June 2014) in Geneva, Switzerland. It reviewed the progress made in the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes under the mandates of participating agencies, and took stock of achievements in the last 10 years based on reports of WSIS Stakeholders, including those submitted by countries, Action Line Facilitators and other stakeholders. The event focused in particular on the review of the WSIS Outcomes (2003 and 2005) related to the WSIS Action Lines with the view of developing proposals on a new vision beyond 2015, potentially including new priorities.

The event attracted more than 1600 high level representatives of WSIS stakeholders, including more than 100 ministers and deputies, ambassadors, heads of international organizations, CEOs, and leaders of civil society.

Two Outcome Documents were successfully endorsed at the WSIS+10 High-Level Event and are available at the Event's website www.wsis.org/forum in ITU official languages. These documents include:

- WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes
- WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS Beyond 2015

The Outcome Documents were developed through an open and inclusive multistakeholder preparatory process, comprising of six phases. ITU has the pleasure to submit these two Outcome Documents along with the following documents to the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) as an official input of ITU to the 18th session of CSTD, requesting that they be made available on the CSTD website:

1. WSIS+10 High Level Event Outcome Documents – available at:
<http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/dam/documents.html>
2. WSIS+10 High-Level Event: High-Level Policy Statements – available at:
<http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/dam/policy-statements.html#ps>
3. WSIS+10 High-level Event Outcome Document- Forum Track- available at:
<http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/inc/doc/outcome/OutcomeDocument2014.pdf>
4. WSIS Action Lines Executive Summaries (Achievements, Challenges and Recommendations) – available at: <http://www.itu.int/wsis/review/inc/docs/phase6/v/r/wsis10-5-3.pdf>
5. WSIS Stocktaking Report 2014 – available at:
<http://www.itu.int/pub/S-POL-WSIS.REP-2014>
6. WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2014 – available at:
http://www.itu.int/pub/S-POL-WSIS.SUCC_STORIES-2014/en
7. Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development: Final WSIS Targets Review – available at:
<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/publications/wsistargets2014.aspx>

I would like to take this opportunity to commend your country for significant achievements and progress made in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes since its inception.

Accept, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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