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organizations and other stakeholders on their efforts in 2020 to
implement the outcomes of the WSIS**

Submission by

United Nations Environment Programme

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UNEP Contribution to the WSIS Report on progress made in 2020

Input to WSIS action line C7. ICT Applications, E-environment

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Update on Action Line C7 E-Environment

Responding to an extended mandate by the UNEMG Senior Officials in September 2019, the members of the UN E-waste Coalition (UNU, ITU, ILO, BRS, UNEP, UNIDO, UNITAR, ITC, UN Habitat and WHO) have focused on the elaboration of the Terms of Reference of the Coalition and other essential elements in making the Coalition fully operational.

The Coalition continued to explore the implementation of joint UN e-waste work at the country/regional level, considering ways in which the UN E-waste Coalition can support countries and regions in further identifying challenges and opportunities along the e-waste value chain and finding suitable, integrated solutions to addressing these. A meeting with private sector representatives, governments, UN entities, non-governmental organizations and development partners was organized in December 2019 in Bonn to further discuss collaboration opportunities across sectors in addressing opportunities and challenges related to e-waste management in Africa.

Since November 2020, the Coalition support function was handed over from the EMG Secretariat to the ITU.