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Submission by

International Telecommunication Union and Broadband Commission

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 27th 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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The Secretary-General

Geneva, 23 October 2023

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Subject: ITU's contribution to the preparation of the Secretary-General's report on progress made in 2023 in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society

Dear Ms. Grynspan,

This is with reference to the letter dated 26 July 2023 inviting the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) to contribute to the preparation of the Secretary-General's report which will assess progress made in 2023 in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit.

ITU has the pleasure to submit the following as inputs and official contributions to the CSTD:

- 1. ITU Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes 2023: https://www.itu.int/en/itu-wsis/Pages/Contribution.aspx
- 2. WSIS Forum 2023 Outcome Document: https://itu.int/go/WSISForumOutcomes
- WSIS Forum 2023 High Level Track Outcomes and Executive Brief: https://itu.int/go/WSISForumOutcomes
- 4. WSIS Stocktaking Report 2023: https://itu.int/go/WSISForumOutcomes
- 5. WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2023: https://itu.int/go/WSISForumOutcomes
- 6. WSIS Forum 2023 Photo Contest: https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2023/PhotoContest
- 7. WSIS Forum 2023 and SDG Matrix: https://itu.int/go/WSISForumOutcomes

ITU will continue to coordinate with the relevant UN organisations where appropriate, to support the overall review of WSIS Outcomes by UNGA in 2025, and to play an active role in the process according to the ITU's WSIS+20 Roadmap and the review process established by UNGA.

Following the paperless approach of the United Nations, the ITU is limiting the printing of publications. I would be most grateful if you could make all above mentioned documents available on the CSTD website as an official submission from the ITU.

Yours sincerely,

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