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To ITU Member States, Sector Members,
Associates and Academia

Subject: **Invitation to provide input on the working documents of the Council Working Group for the Elaboration of the draft Strategic Plan and Draft Financial Plan for the Union for 2016-2019**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Following the second meeting of the Council Working Group for the Elaboration of the draft Strategic Plan and the draft Financial Plan for the Union for 2016-2019 (CWG SP-FP, <http://www.itu.int/en/council/wg-sfp/Pages/default.aspx>), held on 13-14 November 2013 at the ITU Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, we would like to invite you to provide input and contributions on the ITU 2016-2019 strategic framework, including the structure and glossary.

The Council Working Group agreed on conducting a Public Consultation on the working documents of the glossary, the structure and the Chairman's and Secretariat's contributions on the elaboration of the ITU 2016-2019 Strategic Plan. The consultation comprises ITU-wide strategic framework including vision, mission, values, strategic goals, objectives, risks and targets and criteria for implementation of the Strategic Plan. The working documents for the consultation as well as some other relevant documents are published on the online platform of the consultation (www.itu.int/PublicConsultations).

In view of the above, you are encouraged to provide your response to the aforementioned documents, in written form, either by sending it to the ITU Secretariat via email at strategic-planning@itu.int or via the above-mentioned online platform. Member States are invited to consult widely with various stakeholders, including general public, in the formulation of their responses, and also to encourage them to contribute directly to the consultation. The deadline for submission is **31 January 2014**.

Sector-specific parts of the ITU strategic framework, such as Objectives, are primarily discussed within the corresponding Sectors via their Sector Advisory Groups, as per Resolution 71 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010). The Radiocommunication Advisory Group (RAG) has already done so for the first meeting of the CWG SP-FP. Concerning the ITU-D Sector, the Telecommunications Development Advisory Group (TDAG) is expected to provide its input following its December 2013 meeting. ITU-T will undertake a consultation through a correspondence group. In this context I have also the pleasure to inform that ITU-T Sector Members are invited to provide their feedback on these documents and in particular for the Sector Objectives by using the online platform at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/tsag/2013-2016/Pages/rg-stratplan.aspx>.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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