



The Secretary-General

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- Governments
- Private Sector
- Civil Society
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Subject: Invitation to contribute to the WSIS Trust Fund - 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

The WSIS Trust Fund was established in 2011 with the adoption of Plenipotentiary Conference [Resolution 140](#). Council [Resolution 1332](#) as modified by ITU Council in May 2016 takes into account the outcomes of the United Nations General Assembly Overall Review of the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and resolves to maintain the fund to support ITU activities to facilitate the implementation of WSIS outcomes, calls for partnerships and strategic alliances, and invites the ITU Membership to make voluntary contributions to the fund.

Since its creation, information on the WSIS Trust Fund and stakeholder contributions has been reflected at the dedicated website: www.itu.int/itu-wsis/fund. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed towards the Trust Fund to date for their dedication and commitment towards WSIS Implementation, in particular the WSIS Forum. The outcomes of the WSIS Forum 2016 can be found here: <http://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2016/Outcomes/>. Moving towards 2025, and following the multi-stakeholder approach, the WSIS Forum will build upon the outcomes of the WSIS+10 Review and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

I would, therefore, like to encourage all ITU membership to make a contribution to the fund for the year 2017, and to invite all stakeholders to partner with the WSIS Forum 2017. You will find enclosed the WSIS Forum 2017 Partnership Packages.

I look forward to receiving your positive response.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Houlin Zhao'.

Houlin Zhao

Enc: WSIS Forum 2017 Partnership Package