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- The Chairs and Vice-Chairs of ITU-T Study Groups;
- The Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau;
- The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau

Subject: Second UN Virtual Worlds Day: Delivering on the Pact for the Future (Turin, Italy, 11-12 June 2025)

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITCILO), on behalf of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA), the United Nations Guatemala, the United Nations International Computing Centre (UNICC), the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), UN Tourism, the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD), the United Nations University (UNU), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), and the World Bank, would like to invite you to the **Second UN Virtual Worlds Day**. The event will take place in Turin, Italy, on 11-12 June 2025, from 0900 to 1800 hours (CEST), and will be kindly hosted by ITCILO.

2 The objective of the UN Virtual Worlds Day is to convene global leaders, innovators, and stakeholders to explore the transformative potential of AI-powered virtual worlds. Over two days, the event will feature high-level dialogues and innovative showcases.

3 The event will include a High-Level Segment, bringing together Ministers, Mayors, and senior representatives from governments, cities, and the private sector. This segment will serve as a platform for policy discussions, strategic collaboration, and knowledge exchange on how AI powered virtual worlds can be leveraged to advance global priorities and accelerate the delivery of the Pact for the Future.

4 UN Citiverse Challenge 2025

ITU, ITCILO, UNICC, UNICEF, FAO, the World Bank, UN Tourism, WIPO, Digital Dubai, the City of Tampere, the City of Valencia, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and, Open & Agile Smart Cities (OASC) are co-organizing the First UN Citiverse Challenge as part of the UN Virtual Worlds Day. The theme of the 2025 edition is "Citiverse: Designing Digital Public Infrastructure of Future Cities". This initiative will bring together youth and startups to leverage their ideas and virtual world technologies. The award ceremony

for the youth category winners will take place during the UN Virtual Worlds Day on 11-12 June 2025. The award ceremony for the startup category winners will take place during the Valencia Digital Summit in October 2025, in Valencia, Spain.

Details of the UN Citiverse Challenge are available in [Circular 21](#) and on the [UN Citiverse Challenge 2025 webpage](#).

5 Participation in the UN Virtual Worlds Day is free of charge and open to individual experts and organizations from all sectors and relevant disciplines.

6 To enable ITCILO to make the necessary arrangements, participants are invited to register online via the [UN Virtual Worlds Day homepage](#) as soon as possible. Places are limited and registration will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is required for remote participation as well as on-site participation. Please note that pre-registration of participants for the events is carried out exclusively online.

7 I would remind you that citizens of some countries are required to obtain a visa to enter and spend any time in Italy. **The visa must be requested at least four weeks before the date of beginning of the meeting** and obtained from the office (embassy or consulate) representing Italy in your country or, if there is no such office in your country, from the one that is closest to your country of departure. Deadlines vary, so it is suggested to check directly with the appropriate representation and apply early.

Additional details and documentation, including registration, programme and the UN Citiverse Challenge, will be made available on the [UN Virtual Worlds Day homepage](#).

I wish you a productive and enjoyable event.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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