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> ATU Member States

Re: Member State Invitation to the Virtual Launch of the 3rd Edition of the ATU Africa Innovation Challenge on 17th August 2023

I am delighted to invite you to join the ATU community for the **virtual launch** of the **3**rd **edition of the ATU Africa Innovation Challenge** scheduled to take place on **17**th **August 2023** at **11:00 am East African Time** (EAT).

We acknowledge the valued relationship we share with you as our Member State and we particularly are pleased to accompany this invitation with our compliments to the membership for the support extended to ATU in our activities so far.

The ATU Africa Innovation Challenge is a partnership between the ATU, the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), Huawei Technologies, Intel Corporation, GSMA and other partners that was commenced in 2020 to broker partnerships with African innovators and stakeholders in the telecommunications/ICT field.

The 2023 edition of the Challenge, themed, **"Innovating for Digital Inclusion: Solutions to Bridge the Digital Divide in Africa",** is designed to inspire and recognize ground-breaking solutions that address the digital divide, enabling equitable access to telecommunications/ICTs services and promoting inclusive development across Africa. It further embraces a collaborative approach dedicated to uniting learning institutions with industry stakeholders; sparking knowledge exchange, research partnerships, and technological advancements.

The Challenge will invite participation from universities and other institutions of higher learning in Africa whom ATU appreciates, play a crucial role in facilitating and promoting transformative progress across multiple industries. We therefore look forward to the session that will stimulate insightful discussions, enable networking opportunities, and showcase the incredible potential that lies within Africa's innovation ecosystem.

It will therefore, be our distinguished honour to have your representative(s) at the forum. Kindly note that the link to join the event is <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvdeuuqTkvE9HqjnUsnDo1q7kxxnJlVhiR</u>'

Sincerely,

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