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“Driving Development with ICTs and the Internet”

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Co-organized under the patronage of H.E. Sheikha Lubna Al-Qasimi, Minister of Economy, UAE by:

International Chamber of Commerce - Commission on E-Business, IT and Telecoms (EBITT) and Business Action to Support the Information Society, (BASIS)

Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. International (TAGI) & Talal Abu-Ghazaleh Information Technology International (TAGITI)

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Opening ceremony

10.00 – 11.00

Opening by Chair of the conference, Talal Abu-Ghazaleh, Chair, ICC Commission on E-Business, IT and Telecoms, Chair, Business Action to Support the Information Society (BASIS), an ICC initiative.

Opening remarks by:

- H.E. Sheikha Lubna Al-Qasimi, Minister of Economy, United Arab Emirates
- Guy Sebban, ICC Secretary General, Vice Chair, Business Action to Support the Information Society (BASIS)
- Sarbuland Khan, Executive Coordinator, UN Global Alliance for ICT and Development (GAID)

*invited to participate in one of the three sessions below

- H.E. Eng. Basem Rousan, Minister of Information and Communications Technology, Jordan (tbc)

Session 1

11.00 -12.30

Creating an enabling environment to promote innovation, investment, competition and entrepreneurship

Moderator: Peter Hellmonds, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, Nokia Siemens Networks, Germany

Panellists

- Dr. Salim Al-Shair, Director, Dubai E-Government, UAE (tbc)
- Husam Dajani, Oracle Senior Vice President – Middle East & Africa, UAE (tbc)

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- Dr. Nagwa El Shennawy, Information Center Director Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Egypt
- Abdel Hamid Mamdouh, Director, Trade in Services Division, World Trade Organization, Geneva
- Mohammad H. Omran, President and Chief Executive Officer, Etisalat, UAE (tbc)
- Art Reilly, Senior Director of Strategic Technology Policy, Cisco Systems, USA

Lunch break 12.30-14.00

Session 2**14.00-15.30*****Securing and protecting information***

Moderator: Joseph Alhadef, Vice President Global Public Policy and Chief Privacy Officer, Oracle Corporation, USA

Panellists

- Baher Esmat, Middle East Liaison of ICANN, Egypt
- Christopher Kuner, Partner, Hunton and Williams, Belgium
- ENG. Mohamed Saad Omran CEO, Information Technology Industry Development Agency (ITIDA), Egypt (tbc)

Session 3**15.30-17.30*****The Internet and bringing its benefits to more people around the world***

Moderator: Karen Northey, Head of Regulatory Asia Pacific, BT Limited, Hong Kong

Panellists

- David Appasamy, Chief Communications Officer, Sify limited, India
- Bertrand de La Chapelle, Special Envoy for the Information Society, French Foreign Ministry, France
- Fadi Kawar, Director of Finance Operations, Mobily, Saudi Arabia
- Markus Kummer, Executive Coordinator, Internet Governance Forum (IGF), Switzerland (*via videoconference*)
- H.E Salah Salem Bin Omair Al Shamsi, President, Abu-Dhabi Chamber of Commerce and Industry, UAE (tbc)
- Paul Twomey, ICANN President and CEO, USA

Chairman's wrap-up/summary and closing remarks by Talal Abu-Ghazaleh