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January 12, 2016

TO: Members of the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA)  
FR: Dr. Jim Poisant, Secretary General  
RE: **[Hotel & Venue Update] WITSA BOD and Committee Meetings; March 8-10 [RSVP]**

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Dear Colleagues,

Further to our announcement last week, members are kindly encouraged to make their room reservations at [Hotel Kurrajong](#) (which will also be our meeting venue on March 9-10). It is situated very centrally to the Parliamentary Triangle and across the road from Microsoft, where we are having a working lunch with the AIIA Board on the Wednesday (9th), and within walking distance of the AIIA Summit dinner the previous evening, which is being held at the Australian National Gallery. Accommodation rates (in \$AUD) are:

Classic room – King bed  
\$200.00 – room only  
\$220.00 – including breakfast for one

Heritage room – King bed  
\$240.00 – room only  
\$260.00 – including breakfast for one  
(that's about \$US140-182)

Best Regards,  
Jim

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January 8, 2016

TO: Members of the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA)  
FR: Dr. Jim Poisant, Secretary General  
RE: **MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Next WITSA BOD and Committee Meetings; March 8-10 [RSVP]**

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Dear Colleagues,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all you a Happy New Year and I am looking forward to working with you on the many exciting projects we are planning for 2016. As was agreed at our meeting in New Delhi last month, AIIA has kindly agreed to host our next Committee and Board meetings in Canberra, Australia. Our meetings will be held in conjunction with AIIA's March 8<sup>th</sup> "Navigating Privacy and Security Summit" and all participating *members are kindly requested to participate* in this important event as well. The schedule for the Canberra meetings will be as follows:

March 8: AIIA "Navigating Privacy and Security Summit" & Gala Dinner (ref. <https://www.aiia.com.au/events/navigating>)  
March 9: WITSA Committee meetings, joint lunch with the AIIA Board of Directors & Reception  
March 10: WITSA Board of Directors meeting

We are pleased to inform that you will be granted the same preferential rates for the March 8<sup>th</sup> Summit as AIIA members. Information regarding venue and hotel options will be circulated shortly.

Please note that everyone coming to Australia, other than holders of an Australian or New Zealand passport, requires a visa -- see <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1>. The good news is that for many countries (but not all) this is done by the travel agent booking the airfare, or by the traveler via applying for an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) online --<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/601->. However, there are some exceptions, and some BoD members will need to research their position and see what they need using the first link above. Some may need an invitation letter, which AIIA will be

happy to provide. Should you require an invitation letter, please contact Tim Conway at [tim.conway@c-metrics.com](mailto:tim.conway@c-metrics.com) (with a Cc. to Anders Halvorsen at [ahalvorsen@witsa.org](mailto:ahalvorsen@witsa.org) and Cathryn Rainey at [crainey@witsa.org](mailto:crainey@witsa.org)).

We hope to seeing many of you in Canberra and look forward to receiving your RSVP as soon as possible.

Best regards,  
Anders

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