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**TO: W3C Workshop on the Role of Mobile Technologies in Fostering Social Development organization board.**

**The Institute of Information Technology Alagoas State Government – ITEC/AL**, motivated by uprising indicators of mobile technologies, in particular the mobile phones, believes that mobile devices in potential presents itself actually in Brazil and our state as the main tool of digital inclusion and e-democracy promotion.

Analysing Alagoas State information about m-technologies, exists seven times more mobile phones than personal computers, distributed at our citiziens. Considering the potential of this mobile device, including the feature to promote web access to e-government services, we may see that mobile phones represents “*Government at citizens hands*”.

In this context, since 2006, ITEC has developed an initiative to spread government services through micro-devices. This initiative, known as “*Móvel – Informações e Serviços via Celular (Mobile – Information and Services by mobile phones)*” offers to society through a micro web portal, information and consultation services such as the transit information (vehicles and drivers), State law, government news. In this time, our team is testing a new feature that will allow citizens to monitor, on the screen of the cell, where the government is applying the state public resources, through a “*mobile*” version from Transparency Portal Alagoas State Government. This micro web portal can be accessed by the following URL: <http://movel.al.gov.br>. More information about the “Móvel” project can be viewed by <http://www.itec.al.gov.br/movel>

Based on this explanatory statement, ITEC expressed their interest to be participating in this important seminar organized by the W3C, which will discuss the main trends and issues related mobile technology.

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