Academy of ICT Essentials for Government Leaders

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Brief on APCICT

APCICT
- a regional Institute of UN-ESCAP (established in June 2006)
- Located in Incheon, Republic of Korea

Mission
Strengthening ICT Human and Institutional Capacity of ESCAP member and associate members to use ICT for their socio-economic development
Underlying Principles of Work Programme

Foster socio-economic development and help achieve the MDGs

Build Human and Institutional Capacity of members and associate member states of ESCAP in the use of ICT

- Training
- Advisory Services
- Research
Major Activities of UN-APCICT

International Conference/Forum (07-08)

3 International Conferences/Forums involving 552 participants from 56 countries, of whom 103 are female, representing government officers, policy makers, academia and the private sector.

- Regional Forum on ICT Capacity Building: Where are we, where are we going, what will it take to fill the gap? (5-6 March 2007, Incheon, ROK)
- International Conference on Theory and Practice of e-Government (10-13 Dec 2007, Macau)
Major Activities of UN-APCICT

Training/Workshops (07-08)

16 Capacity Building Training/Workshops involving 768 participants from +40 countries, of whom 269 are female representing government officer, policy makers and academia.

- Gender and ICT
- e-Business
- Information Security
- e-Gov
- Production of Statistics
- ICT Accessibility for People with Disabilities

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People need more comprehensive ICT training programme. Without comprehensive curriculum
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What is the Academy?

**Objective**
Equip policy makers, trainers and project managers with the essential knowledge and skills to fully leverage opportunities presented by ICTs to achieve national development goals and bridge the digital divide.

**Key Features**
- Consists of a core ICT4D curriculum with eight modules
- Covers basic to advanced topics of ICT4D that can be delivered face-to-face or as online self-study courses.
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Development Strategy
(Inclusive and Participatory)

Step 1: Draft Academy Module with Outline
Step 2: Feedback from Experts
Step 3: Needs Assessment Survey
Step 4: Expert Group Meeting
Step 5: Manuscript Draft with Slides & Case Studies
Step 6: Peer Reviews
Step 7: Sub-regional Workshops for Feedback
Step 8: Launch of Academy
rigorous process
Peer review and expert groups
go thru steps to ensure content is relevant and high quality
Siaosi, 06/02/2009
The First Expert Group Meeting (4-5 Jan 2008):

involving ten ICT4D experts and one government agency from SIX countries (Canada, Fiji, India, Philippine, Republic of Korea, Singapore)

Peer Reviews by Regional Experts and Government Officials
### Reviewing and Evaluating

#### Three sub-regional workshops involving 22 countries

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- **14-19 April 2008**
  - Hyderabad, India
- **5-10 May 2008**
  - Incheon, ROK
- **21-24 May 2008**
  - Jakarta, Indonesia
Launch and First Training of Trainers

**Official Launch** (16 June 2008, Seoul, ROK)
During Global Forum on Building Inclusive Internet Economy /OECD Ministerial Conference

**1st Training of Trainers** (16-28 Aug 2008, Cheon-an, ROK)
41 participants from 21 countries
Where the Academy Stands Now

**Manuscripts Publication Series**
- downloadable versions of M1-M5 and M7 available online ([www.unapcict.org/academy](http://www.unapcict.org/academy))
- Publications to be released in first quarter of 2009
- APCICT Virtual Academy (AVA) to be launched in March 2009

**Localization / Customization**
- Launch of Russian version - April 2009
- Launch of Bahasa Indonesia version - May 2009
- Content customization with Academy roll-out partners

**Partnership Agreement on National Workshop signed with**
- SOPAC for Pacific countries
- Afghanistan (Ministry of CIT)
- Mongolia (ICTA)
- India (ASCI)
Pacific Islands Sub-regional Workshop

2-5 Sep 08
Rarotonga,
Cook Islands

25 participants from
Cook Islands
Kiribati
Papua New Guinea
Samoa
Tonga
Mongolia National Workshop

- Co-organized with ICTA, Gov of Mongolia, World Bank and Intec (10-12 December 2008)

- 55 Heads of Departments and Agencies representing over 17 Ministries and Agencies in Mongolia

- Academy of Management to launch a Continuing Education Programme using Academy modules for government officials starting March 2008
1500 government officials
Siaosi, 06/02/2009
Academy Roll-out Plans in Pipeline

National Roll-out

- Tonga with SOPAC & Ministry of Finance (12-13 Feb, 2009)
- Philippines Partnership with CESB (17-19 Feb, 2009)
- Indonesia with Univ of Indonesia and MIC (March 2009)
- Afghanistan with MCIT (21 March, 2009)
- India, Kyrgyzstan, Sri-Lanka, Lao PDR, Bhutan

Regional Roll-out / South-South Cooperation

- Launch of African version of Academy by UN ECA (3 March 2009)
e-Collaborative Hub (www.unapcict.org/ecohub)

The e-Collaborative Hub or E-CO HUB is a single-entry online gateway for policy makers, trainers and practitioners to easily access and search for relevant knowledge resources on different aspects of ICT for development (ICT4D). There is also a collaborative workspace to discuss views, share ideas and collaborate on projects related to ICT4D.

There can be no development without peace and there will only be slow development without ICTs. Hence, the need to understand and use ICTs appropriately and meaningfully to meet the Millennium Development Goals and Targets.

- Usha Rani Vyasulu Reddi, Professor in Education and Director of the Centre for Human Development, Administrative Staff College of India

The e-Co Hub has been designed and developed by UN-APCICT as a place for online convergence of like-minded individuals and organizations working to strengthen capacities in the use of ICT for development (ICT4D). It seeks to provide knowledge resources on different aspects of ICT4D and make available an interactive space for sharing knowledge and experiences on ICT4D capacity building.

The e-Co Hub aims to enhance the learning and training experience through its integration with UN-APCICT’s Virtual Academy - the online platform for the Centre’s flagship capacity building initiative - the Academy of ICT Essentials for Government Leaders. The resources available in the e-Co Hub are intended to support trainers and educators in strengthening ICT4D capacity, and...
AVA Pilot Website (http://tunapcict.nonsulgosi.com/)
Academy in the Pacific

SOPAC’s Approach → In-country Workshops

- More effective in reaching wider audience
- More flexible in setting target participants and duration
- More room for customization according to the national priorities

Milestones

- LoE between SOPAC and UN-APCICT (Sep, ‘08)
- Regional Academy Workshop in Cook Islands (2-5 Sep, ‘08)
- National Academy Workshop in Tonga (24-25 Feb, ’09)

Next Steps

- Organize Academy Workshops in all PICs
- Train more trainers
- Encourage local institutions to champion Academy
Thank you!

Malo ‘aupito!