

Main outcome of the Asia-Pacific Regional Conference for the WSIS

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Asia-Pacific Regional Conference (1) 13-15 January, 2003 in Tokyo

Broad Participation :

- 47 Countries**
- 22 International Organizations**
- 54 Business Sector Entities**
- 116 NGOs**

Asia-Pacific Regional Conference (2) 13-15 January, 2003 in Tokyo

Panel discussions :

- 1. Connectivity & Info. Society in Asia (ITU)**
- 2. Cultural & Linguistic Diversity (UNESCO)**
- 3. Development & ICT (UNDP/ADB)**
- 4. Future of e-Economy (GIIC)**
- 5. Towards More Inclusive Info. Society (NGO)**

Asia-Pacific Regional Conference (3) 13-15 January, 2003 in Tokyo

Related Events :

United Nations University

- Pacific Islands Digital Opportunities
Workshop**
- Youth and ICT for Development**
- Asia Pacific Gender Forum on WSIS, etc.**

Tokyo Declaration (1)

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1. Shared Vision of the Info. Society

The Information Society in the Asia-Pacific region must:

- Provide equitable and appropriate access for all**
- Use ICT as a driving force for the promotion of sustainable economic and technological development**
- Enhance the sharing and strengthening of global knowledge for development**
- Provide information and communication services targeted at disadvantaged groups in society to contribute to the alleviation of poverty, etc.**

Tokyo Declaration (2)

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2. Recognizing the Unique Features of the Asia-Pacific Region

In building an Information Society for the region, the following should be taken into account:

- Geographic and Demographic Diversity**
- Cultural and Linguistic Diversity**
- Institutional Stability**
- Productive Workforce**
- Gender, Disability, Youth Issues**
- Digital Divide Disparities**
- Imbalance of Information Flows**
- Pioneering Role in Selected ICT Areas**
- Special Circumstances of Small Island Developing States**

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3. Advancing the Region's Info. Society

(1) Priority Areas for Action

- a) Infrastructure Development**
- b) Securing Affordable, Universal Access to ICTs**
- c) Preserving Linguistic and Cultural Diversity and Promoting Local Content**
- d) Developing Human Resources**
- e) Establishing Legal, Regulatory and Policy Frameworks**
- f) Ensuring Balance between IPRs and Public Interest**
- g) Ensuring the Security of ICT**
- h) Fostering Partnerships and Mobilizing Resources**

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3. Advancing the Region's Info. Society

(2) Cross-Sector Priorities

a) e-Government

b) e-Business

c) e-Learning

d) e-Health

e) Community Information and Communication Centres

(3) National and Regional e-Strategies

For the success of the WSIS

1. Increasing World-Wide Awareness

2. Strengthening Cooperation

- Among Countries**
- International Organizations**
- Contributions from private sector and NGOs**