

**ESCAP/UNDESA/UNPOG Roundtable on ICT Access and e-Government for Achieving
the MDGs**

(During International Conference on Good Governance for National Development)

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Overview

ESCAP, UNDESA/DPADM, and UNPOG organized a “Roundtable on ICT Access and e-Government for Achieving the MDGs” on 18 June 2010 in Seoul. The workshop aimed at exchanging perspectives and sharing insights and experiences on how to formulate effective development strategies through good governance and ICT in the Asia-Pacific region. More than forty-five participants including policy-makers, e-Government practitioners, and international scholars of public administrations attended the roundtable.

The roundtable identified opportunities and challenges related to emerging technologies and how to develop a framework for regional cooperation by providing a platform to discuss key issues concerning policies, technologies and information dissemination models which are conducive to the achievement of MDGs. The roundtable also provided the opportunity to policy and decision makers to identify policy options in order to expand ICT access to under-serviced areas of Least Developed Countries (LDS), Land-locked Developing Countries (LLDC), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).