Multi-Program Approach to Foster eSkills WCIT 2010 Amsterdam, 26 May 2010

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Multi-Program Approach to Foster eSkills in Portugal

- ➔ Youth education in schools: Education Technological Plan
- → Adult education: New Opportunities Program
- → Open training and use in telecenters: Internet Spaces Network
- → National eSkills certification system: since 2001 Basic Skills Diploma (≈6th grade ICT level). Now planned 2 more levels: Intermediate (≈9th grade ICT level), Advanced(≈12th grade ICT level)
- Professional training and certification in polytechnics and universities in partnership with industry: ICT Academies
- Professional training courses in polytechnics and universities: CET – Technology Specialization Courses
- Advanced training in ICT: ICT curricula modernization, Professional Masters in International Partnerships

Regular Internet Users in Portugal by age and educational attainment (1Q, 2009)



Regular Internet Users in Portugal

% regular Internet users by educational attainment (1Q 2009)

- → 93% people with higher education
- average UE27 2009 = 91%
- ➔ 87% people with upper secondary but not higher education

average UE27 2009 = 71%

→ 30% people without upper secondary education average UE27 2009 = 43%



Education Technological Plan

- → Generalize laptops for students and teachers: >1M deployed.
- → High speed Internet in schools: ≥48Mpbs in >93% of 5th-12th grade schools; all schools w/ broadband since Jan 2006
- Technological Kit for schools: 2 students/computer with Internet, 1 projector/room and 1 interactive board/3 rooms, in 5th-12th grade schools
- School Portal: educational content, collaborative work
- Training and certification for eSkills: teachers, students, school employees; massively
- → ICT Internships: in industry for technology track students
- → ICT Academies: professional training in partnership with industry





New Opportunities Program education of adults without complete basic education

- In enterprises, enterprise associations, community centers, schools
- → Target: 1M people
- → Always involving eSkills training
- → >200K laptops deployed within the New Opportunities Program



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eSkills development actions for special target groups: aged, parents, immigrants, people with special needs







ICT Academies in Polytechnics and Universities professional training and certification in partnership with industry

Presently 62 in partnership with following companies:

- ➔ Microsoft
- → Cisco Networking
- → Sun Microsystems
- → SAP
- → SAS, Business Intelligence Software
- → LPI Linux Professional Institute
- → · · ·



CET – Technology Specialization Courses professional training courses in polytechnics and universities

- → Level 4 post-secondary education w/ professional certification
- → 119 registered CETs in ICT
- ➔ in 38 institutions
- ➔ in 30 towns

→ Examples:

Multimedia Development Network and Information Systems Installation and Maintenance Computer Management Applications Information Systems Technologies and Programming Geographic Information Systems Automation, Robotics and Industrial Control Software Development and Systems Management Network and Information Systems Management Mechatronics

International Partnerships

ICT curricula modernization and Professional Masters involving research, industry and university

MIT – Portugal Program (beginning 11 Oct 2006) Engineering Systems: Sustainable energy and transportation systems •

Advanced engineering design and manufacturing in electric car and mobile medical applications

Carnegie Mellon – Portugal Program (beginning 27 Oct 2006) **Future Internet Technologies:** Next Generation Networks and trusted highquality services • Critical infrastructures security and trust • Cyber-physical systems for ambient intelligence • Human-centric computing • Language technology • Software engineering for large-scale dependable systems

UTexas Austin – Portugal Program (beginning 2 Mar 2007) Interactive Digital Content, High Performance Computing

5 General Practical Rules for Success in the Knowledge Society

- Develop human capital
- → Foster partnerships and knowledge networks
- → Aim at outcomes and measure them
- → Leave room for bottom up creativity
- Promote internationalization and cooperate

