e-Government Project of Turkey:

New Challenges of Inclusions and Exclusions

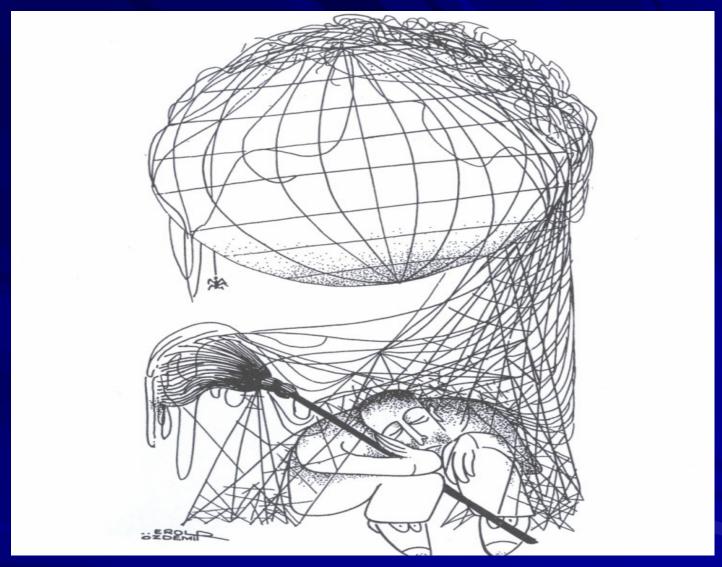
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Turkey is going through a crucial period of transition:

On her way to integration with the EU....



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Turkey also bears the brunt of the globalisation...



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... not without enjoying its advantages as well...

Where are we now?

- We are on the road between the old world and the new.
- The digital migration impacts all major areas of the economic and social life and work
 - Investment and innovation
 - Goal: create a flexible regulatory environment hospitable to innovation
 - Economic growth

Old World

- Analog technologies
- Narrowband infrastructure
- Monopolies; strong regulation
- Limited competition: Few competitive choices, little product differentiation
- Innovation is significant but very slow

New World

- Digital technologies Computers in every field
- Broadband infrastructure Internet
- Voice, data, video available on all platforms
- Broader minded view of regulation
- Efficiency, effectiveness and productivity in all sectors
- Innovation is a hallmark of 21st century communications

Democratization through Technology

- In the old world, governments and monopolists were central. The new world is people centric.
- Technology is putting consumers and citizens in the driver's seat.
- Local authorities and the civil society became main actors of the democratization process.
- Work done in "virtual environment", is not dependant on geographic, demographic, economic or ideological restraints
- The Internet boom is revolutionary.

Bumps in the Road

- Massive capital investment
- Risk and uncertainty
- Self-doubt
- Political anxiety

Money and risk-taking

- First, the new platforms must be built.
- Public policy must stimulate capital flow into platform building.
- Incumbents, deeply invested in their old networks, find change difficult.

Self-doubt

- Consumers are excited, but frustrated by new technologies.
- Consumers long for old-fashioned simplicity and reliability, but want new services too.
- Companies struggle with the risks of producing exciting innovations.

Politics

- Yesterday's solutions are today's problems. New regulations are needed to cope with the challenges of the new world; privatization, deregulating.
- Over-regulating new technologies will be a "wet blanket", smothering the creative fire of the technology revolution.
- Politicians must respond to anxious incumbents and consumers.
- We must have the courage to stay the course. 12

ICT: The way to introducing wealth in society

Developed countries lead the way in ICT. But in recent years, other countries have been able to increase their international competitive power moving to the digital world.

- Ireland
- Finland
- The Republic of Korea
- India
- Israel
- Singapore
- P.R. of China

EU's OBJECTIVE

To become the most competitive and the most dynamic knowledge-based economy of the world within ten years

e-Europe e-Europe + i-2010

Turkey moves forward to become a Knowledge Society

- Possibilities in a Knowledge Society include ICT's effects on democracy, education, health, economic development, trade, the arts, workplaces and entertainments.
- Turkey opts for an aggressive expansion of ICT to
 - increase Government's responsiveness to citizens,
 - enhance competitiveness globally.

Does Turkey need to enhance her competitiveness globally?

- World Economic Forum 2006 Growth Competitiveness Index: 59/125
- UNDP 2006 Human Development Index: 94/177
- World Bank 2006 World Development Index:

– GNP per capita 89/152

- PPP 90/152

Recent Trends in Turkey

Wireless use is rising: Wireless phones are replacing wireline in family homes

– PSTN subscribers18,9 m.

– GSM subscribers
 53 m. (72,6%)

Internet banking :

Total nr. of regst'd. customers 16,3 m. (22,2%)

Customers using online banking 3 m. (4%)

Total amount of transactions \$79 m.

Turkey Broadband: Strong Supply - Growing Demand

Internet use is increasing:

- Broadband penetration rate: 4% (ADSL service is available to 3 m. subscribers)
- 15 million people have Internet access (20.5%)
- 90% of schools are connected to the Internet
- Demand is growing rapidly

Turkey to move forward fast to Knowledge Society

- Knowledge Management
- The shift from the economics of things to the economics of information will assist to expand innovation
- The Government is to take advantage of ICT to facilitate more effective partnership with civil society
- Internet as a common ground to socio-economic development.

Strategic Priorities of Turkey

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2010 Targets

Internet Users
51%

Broadband subscribers
12,5%

Individuals using online banking
33 %

- All SME's to have at least one computer
- 70% of enterprises to have broadband Internet access
- 15% of total annual trade through e-Commerce
- 70% of public services to be provided online
- 1 out of 3 public transactions to be on electronic channels
- Share of ICT market in the GDP from 0.8% to 2%

e-Government for Turkey's future

- Better, more efficient public services
- To improve the relationship between citizens and the Government
- The resulting benefits to the quality of life, industrial competitiveness and society will only be realized if the administration changes the way it operates
- New technologies must be implemented hand in hand with organisational change

Elements of the e-Government

Legal Bases

Law of e-Signature
Law of the Right to Obtain Information
Law of the Universal Service
Internet (related) Cybercrimes

Organization

Political leadership: Executive Council for the e-Transition Turkey Programme

Physical Infrastructure

Expansion of Broadband

e-Government Portal

Principles of the e-Government

- In e-Government applications, technology comes second after citizen's satisfaction.
- Adding ICT to government services does not itself produce e-Government.
- Existing administration culture must totally change.
- Government and local authorities services provided on electronic channels should be supported and encouraged.

Looking toward the Future

- Public administration reform accelerated via ICT to provide public services at highest standards;
- 1 95% of population to access to broadband infrastructure: High quality and affordable broadband access facilities for all segments of the society.
- 1 To instaure competitive environment in telecommunications sector to expand broadband access network and to rank within the top 5 among European countries.