

Asia Pacific Digital Strategy

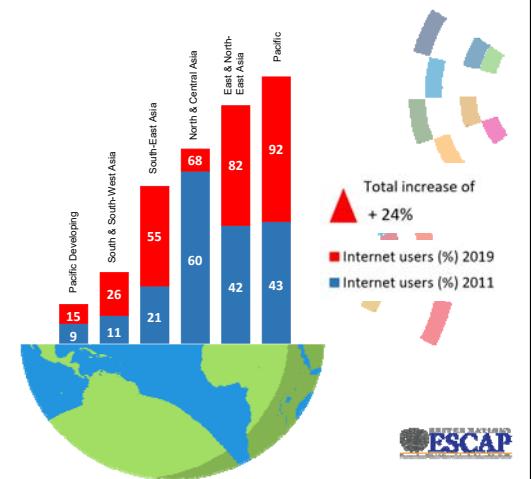
- Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway

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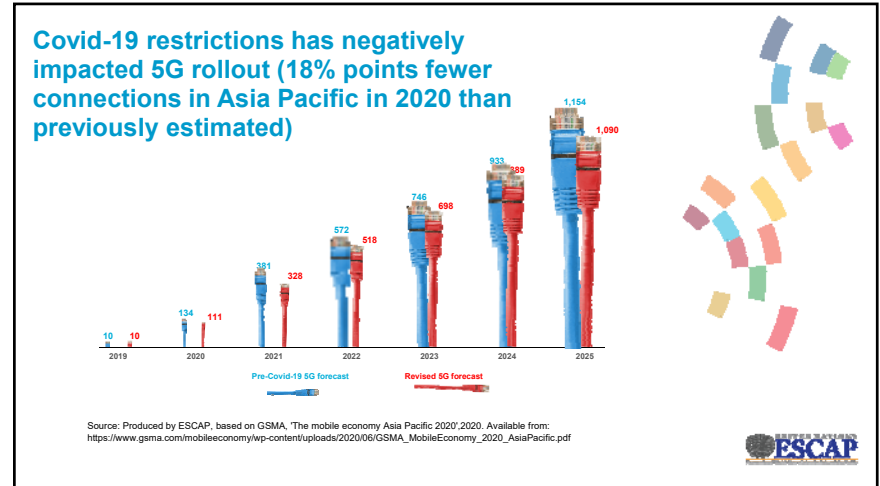
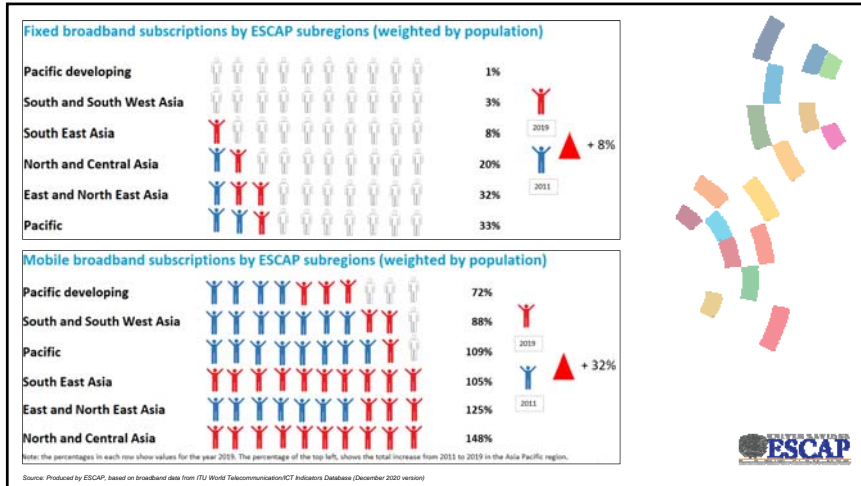


The digital divide in the Asia-Pacific Region

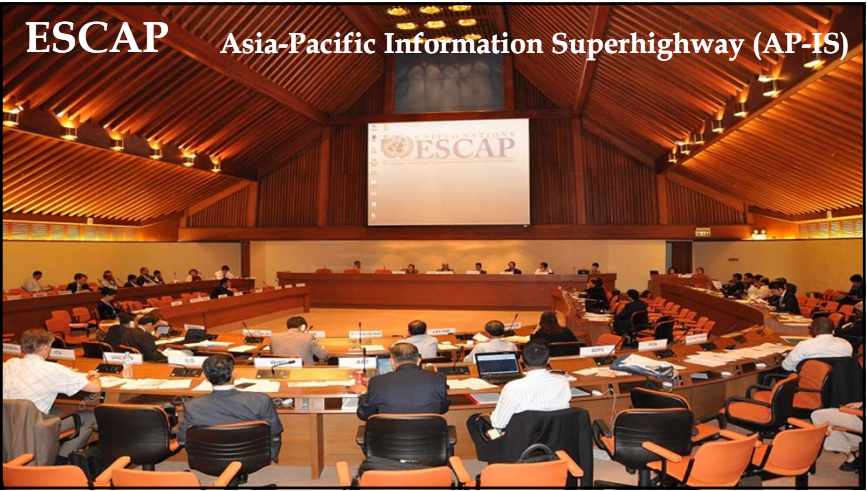
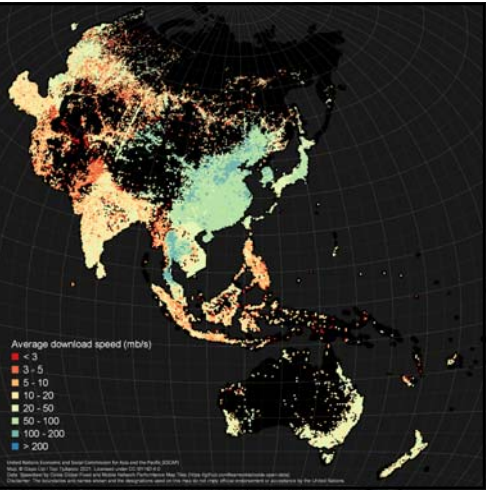



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Fixed-broadband download speed during the COVID-19 pandemic varied between countries, and between urban and rural areas





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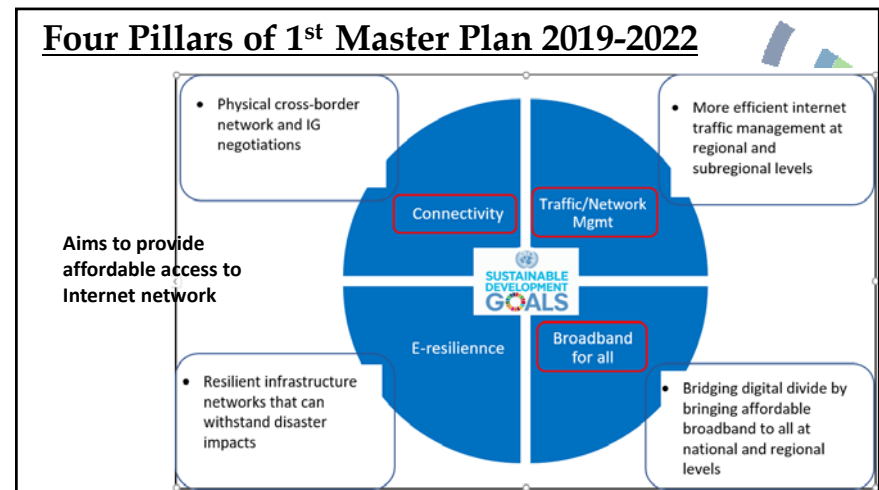
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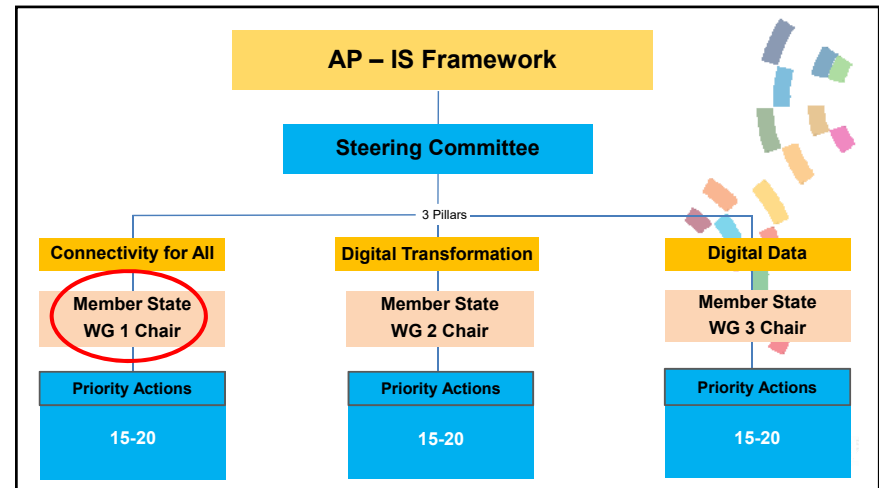
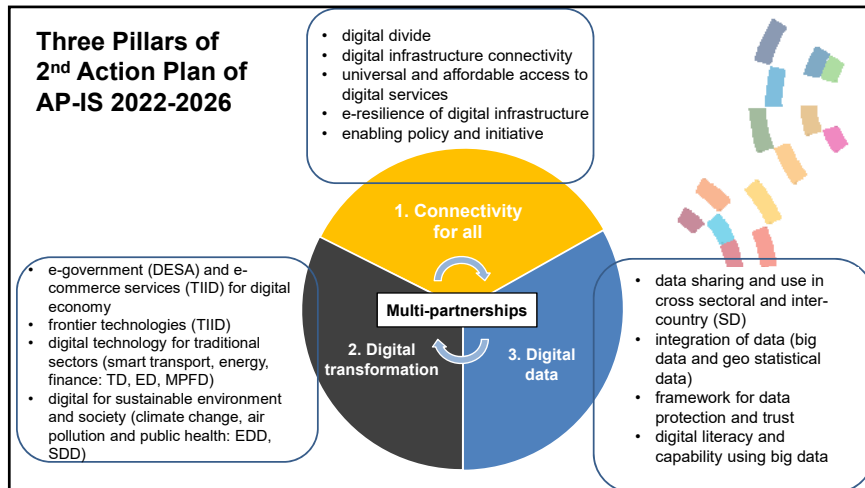
Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway (AP-IS)

AP-IS aims to **bridge the digital divide and boost digital transformation by promoting digital connectivity and digital data use.**

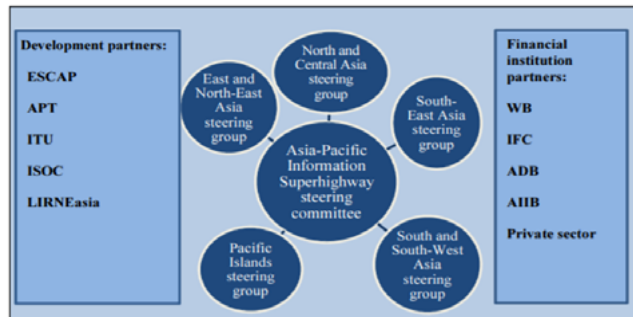
- First Master Plan of AP-IS 2019-2022
- Second Action Plan of AP-IS 2022-2026 (under development)

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AP-IS Partners



Abbreviations: ADB, Asian Development Bank; AIIB, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank; APT, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity; ESCAP, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; IFC, International Finance Corporation; ISOC, Internet Society; ITU, International Telecommunication Union; WB, World Bank.

Way Forward of the 2nd Action Plan 2022-2026

1. Draft the 2nd action plan (first draft) (Jan-April 2021)
2. Review of 2nd action plan by peer experts (April 2021)
3. Review of 2nd action plan by AP-IS members (May-Aug 2021)
4. Approval of 2nd action plan by the AP-IS Steering Committee (Oct 2021)
5. Adoption by the 4th Session of the Committee on ICT and STI (2022)
6. Adoption by Ministerial meeting (Oct 2022)



Thank you very much

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