ICTD WORK PROGRAMME 2006-2007

1. Parliamentary documentation	
Report to the Statistical Committee on issues related to information and communication technology indicators	Sep. 2006
2. Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies:	
Third Meeting of the Consultative Committee on Scientific and Technological Development and Technological Innovation	March 2006
EGM on Information and communication technology indicators adoption and data collection in national statistical offices	28-30 Nov. 2006
EGM on Open source software solutions for the public sector in the ESCWA region	19-21 Dec. 2006
Regional networking and partnership for information society development	June 2007
3. Publications:	
Review of information and communication technologies and development (issues 5, 6, 7 and 8)	July 2006, Dec. 2006, July 2007, Dec. 2007
Guidelines for information and communication technology policy and strategy formulation and implementation	Nov. 2006
Broadband for development in the ESCWA region	Nov. 2006
Information and communication technology financing, venture capital and entrepreneurship in the ESCWA region	Feb. 2007
Models for cyber legislation	May 2007
Regional profile of the information society in the ESCWA region - 2007	Sep. 2007
4. Booklets and Information Kits:	
Guidelines on information and communication technology indicators	Feb. 2007
5. Technical Material:	
National profiles of the information society in the ESCWA region – 2007	June 2007
Development and maintenance of an information society portal with integrated modules for partnerhsips and networks and measuring ICT for development.	Dec. 2007
Maintenance of the ESCWA home page on information and communication technology	Ongoing
6. Advisory Services:	
Advisory service mission at the request of member States on follow-up to the outcome of the WSIS (phase 2)	Ongoing

7. Training Courses and Workshops:

Three workshops on capacity-building for ICT indicators adoption, data collection and analysis	Dec. 2006, May 2007, Nov. 2007
Two workshops on issues related to public private partnership mechanisms (RPTC)	18-21 Dec. 2006, Sep. 2007

8. Field Projects:

Development of an Arabic domain name system	Dec. 2007
Establishment of information and communication technology incubating facilities for promoting digital Arabic content industry	Dec. 2007
Regional Initiative on the use of new technologies for poverty alleviation	Dec. 2006
Promoting new technologies for employment and poverty alleviation in the ESCWA member countries	Dec. 2006
DA on capacity building for ICT policy-making	Dec. 2006
• Study on Analyzing ICT Policies and Strategies in the ESCWA Region	April 2006
• Workshop on ICT Policy Making in ESCWA Member Countries	May 2006
• Online Workshop on e-Government	Oct.-Nov. 2006
• Online Workshop on Digital Arabic Content	Nov.-Dec. 2006
ESIS development	Feb. 2007
Knowledge networks through information and communication technology access points for disadvantaged communities	Ongoing
• Regional Assessment Studies	Oct. 2006
• Partners' Planning Meeting	Nov. 2006