Research Agenda through an Academia Network for the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Initiative

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AGENDA

• Background
• Theory of Change
• Way Forward
Establish AP-IS Academia Network as a platform for the academic community to provide input and to support AP-IS initiative of UNESCAP

Generating collaborative knowledge resources from the regional academic community.

Strategic knowledge, research, education and training input and be a vital arm to achieve AP-IS vision and goals.

Provide both research and capacity building capabilities for UNESCAP and affiliated members to identify and respond to challenges and opportunities in which AP-IS initiative can achieve its objectives.
Background

• The AP-IS Academia Network will be a coalition of recognised universities, research and education centres or equivalent involved in the research, development and training on information society and related issues.
• The First Meeting of the AP-IS Steering Committee, 1 – 2 November 2017, Dhaka
• AP-IS Steering Group Meeting, Bangkok, 12 December 2017
PILLAR 4: PROMOTING BROADBAND ACCESS IN UNDERSERVED AREAS

Outcomes:
- Increased access to Academic Resources across the region
- Increased Access to Academic Resources within the counties
- National Academia Networks and Trained Support Teams
- Institution Level Integration of the Academia Network
- Establishment of Partnerships across National Networks
- Increased awareness and knowledge of Academia Networks
- Created partnerships to build capacity and resource mobilization
- Facilitated access to Affordable Education Networks
- Create community of support at National Levels

Outputs:
- Setting up a AP-IS Taskforce APIS-AN
- Initiate dialogue with National Networks
- Capacity Building of National Academia
- Setting up National Academia Networks
- MOU among the Regional Networks

Activities:
- Setting up National Academia Networks
- Capacity Building of National Academia
- Setting up National Academia Networks
- MOU among the Regional Networks

Inputs:
- FUND
- OPERATIONAL SUPPORT / SECRETARIAT

Established National Network support others to set up in-country Networks
National Education authorities and Associations of Universities support the program
Willingness to Share Academic Resources across Borders
Way forward

• Expression of interest so far
• Formation of a Task force
• Identifying knowledge resources and funding partners
Thank you!

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