

Slovenia

General Aspects

Slovenia is a parliamentary democracy with a surface of 20.000 sq. Km.
Total population amounts to 2.000.000 inhabitants.

Diffusion of ICT

PC penetration in the country (number of PCs/population) is estimated 25% (500.000 out of 2.000.000 persons), while the Internet diffusion is 17,5% (350.000 out of 2.000.000 persons). Telephone subscriptions at the end of February 2001 amount to 47% (940.000 out of 2.000.000) , while the mobile telephone subscriptions at the end of the same month are 52% (1.040.000 out of 2.000.000).

Application of ICT to Public Administration

PC penetration in the central Public Administrations in Slovenia is 95% (26.000 civil servants out of 28.000) , and 70% is the percentage in local P.As.

Internet diffusion among the civil servants (Internet connection and/or e-mail boxes) is estimated to 70%.

Governmental entities of the central Public Administration have some Internet/extranet networks, local Public Administration offices as well.

Public Administration on line

100% of governmental bodies of the central Public Administration in Slovenia has its own internet website . 70% is the percentage referred to local P.A. entities.

Furthermore, both the Legislative and the Executive bodies have their own Internet web-sites.

On the government's websites it is possible to send requests for information through e-mail, carry out transactions (e-procurement) and also to have institutional information. A portal expressly arranged for citizens has not yet been arranged.

E-government

Some limited e-services are actually available on-line for companies only (e-procurement).

Nevertheless, the Government of Slovenia has started an action program to promote the application of ICT to the Public Administrations and to provide on-line services.

The main targets are: liberalization of Telecom markets, bridging the digital divide and promotion of secure e-commerce.

To attain these goals Government intend to start action in order to provide a specific regulatory framework but also to raise awareness and education of Slovenia citizens.

The e-government program is formalized in an *Action Plan* and in a *White Book*. Both are available on Internet at : www.sigov.si/cvi/ and www.sigov.si/mid

Moreover, there is an Authority for the e-government program coordination , whose main ongoing projects are the on-line meetings of the Executive Body, the e-legislation process with document tracing and the e-procurement.

Future issues

As the future issues are concerned, the envisaged investments for the next three years in Slovenia for the e-government strategy are estimated to 200 million USD .