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Note by the secretariat

Corrigendum

Pages 7-8, under B. Expected accomplishment (b), the text under “Results” should read as follows:

6. Results	<p>The major outcomes of the Ministerial Conference on Space Applications for Sustainable Development included: (a) the ministerial declaration, which reflected the policy decisions of the member States regarding regional cooperation in space-based ICT for sustainable development; and (b) the regional strategy and action plan on space technology applications for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific.</p> <p>In addition to the Ministerial Conference, and in order to attain the above-mentioned expected accomplishment for the end-users, ESCAP accomplished the following: (a) in 2006-2007, three issues of the <i>Policy Brief on ICT Applications in the Knowledge Economy</i> were published; (b) in 2007, the <i>Guidelines on Developing Women’s Entrepreneurship and e-Business in Green Cooperatives in the Asian</i></p>
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and Pacific Region was drafted; (c) publications entitled *Asia-Pacific Tech Monitor* and *Value-added Technology Information Services* were published bimonthly; (d) in 2006-2007, regional workshops and meetings in the areas of ICST applications for poverty alleviation, managing globalization, disaster management and environment (411 participants, of whom 57 were women, participated) were held; (e) in 2006, meetings of the regional working groups on major space application sectors (47 participants, of whom 11 were women, participated) were held; (f) in 2006-2007, regional/subregional/national workshops on selected ICT applications, including e-government, e-business and e-learning (185 participants, of whom 39 were women, participated) were held; (g) in 2006-2007, international and national workshops in areas of e-business development for women, and national stakeholders' consultations (442 participants, of whom 114 were women, participated) took place; (h) 3 long-term fellowships and 13 medium-term fellowships in the area of space technology applications were awarded to 16 trainees, of whom 5 were women; (i) during 2006-2007, 22 technical cooperation projects in different areas of ICST were implemented. Two of these projects will result in the knowledge networks that will facilitate the exchange of knowledge and experiences and enable collaborative work among the stakeholders, including Governments and private sectors; (j) based in New Delhi, the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (APCTT), which is one of the regional institutions of ESCAP, established in 2006 a region-wide information technology-powered technology transfer network designed to promote cross-border technology and business cooperation among small and medium-sized enterprises. It has launched twin websites (<http://www.technology4sme.net/> and <http://www.business-asia.net/>) that have been designed as a library of technology and business information to link technology seekers and suppliers. In 2006, APCTT offered its advisory services on technology transfer to small and medium-sized enterprises; (k) in 2006, APCTT also offered advisory services on national innovation systems to facilitate, promote and nurture innovation; (l) APCTT assisted Governments and other stakeholders in promoting inclusive innovation and social entrepreneurship through the systematic scouting, documentation and dissemination of grass-roots innovation; (m) in 2006, the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development (APCICT), based in Incheon, Republic of Korea, was established as the latest regional

	<p>centre of ESCAP. The Centre is aimed at creating ICT-ready environments through capacity-building programmes, such as training courses, consultations and research. In the span of 10 months (January to October 2007), the Centre conducted six capacity-building/training workshops. Over 700 participants, of which over 170 were female, from 49 countries representing senior government policymakers, the private sector, academia, and civil society organizations participated in workshops on e-governance, e-business, gender empowerment, and regional ICT capacity-building dialogue; (n) in view of the limited number of government nominees of female participants for APCICT events, a specific training programme is currently being developed to target female policymakers for 2008. APCICT is in partnership with the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family (Republic of Korea) and the Asian Pacific Women's Information Network Center to conduct specialized training workshops entitled Training for Women's IT Capacity-building in APEC Countries; (o) in addition, APCICT conducted a regional needs assessment on ICT human capacity development within the region and received responses from 21 countries. The feedback has been used as input for the development of the APCICT 2008 plan of work and the development of the APCICT Academy of ICT Essentials for Government Leaders, which features 8 ICT for development (ICT4D) modules on various aspects related to ICT4D planning, implementation and relevant current issues. The Centre also launched the APCICT Digital Partnership Network in October 2007, primarily targeting national training institutions, academics and researchers within the field of ICT for human capacity-building. A total of 21 countries have registered with the network. Digital Partnership Network members will be invited to submit proposals for being involved in the implementation of the APCICT Academy of ICT Essentials for Government Leaders at the national level; and (p) for an up-to-date assessment of the state of ICT human capacity development and demand within the region, APCICT released two incisive documents entitled "ICT human resource development in Asia and the Pacific: current status, emerging trends, policies and strategies" and "ICT human capacity-building indicators". Together with the United Nations Development Programme, two publications on the applications of ICT4D were developed for small and medium enterprises, and disaster management.</p>
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