E-GOVERNMENT CAPACITY BUILDING, PARTNERSHIPS AND NETWORKS: A HEMISPHERIC PERSPECTIVE AND REGIONAL APPLICATIONS

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- Created in 2000
- Coordinates technical cooperation activities within the OAS
- Main mechanisms:
  - Educational Portal of the Americas, www.educoas.org
  - Scholarships and Training
  - Grant Development Fund
  - Trust for the Americas
  - Development Programs Area – Innovations and Partnerships
Our vision of e-Government

- IACD’s activities are guided by:
  - Presidential Summit of the Americas, Quebec 2001 and Special Summit in Monterrey, January 2004
  - OAS General Assembly Resolutions; e.g., Access to Information resolution approved this month in Quito

- We see electronic government as a tool to:
  - Promote transparency and accountability
  - Improve efficiency and efficacy
  - Facilitate citizen participation in public matters
Human Capacity Building

- **Online e-Government Training Course:**
  - 450 public employees trained from 23 different countries
  - English version for US, Canada and English-speaking Caribbean countries will be ready in August
  - Portuguese version ready in September.

- **e-Government Training Network:**
  - In partnership with IDB, OUI, ICA and UNDESA
  - University of West Indies is part of the Network

- **Best Practices Forum of the Americas (online):**
  - 2003 Edition focused on e-Government in Chile, Canada and Brazil
  - 2004 will feature three sessions on government procurement; Costa Rica, the US and Canada will share their experiences
Best Practices

- e-Government Best Practices workshops (in partnership with ICA):
  - Chile, Perú, Brazil
  - Next: Caribbe, Canada

- e-Government Best Practices Database:
  - www.oasinnovationsandpartnerships.org

- e-Government Leaders Network of Latin America and the Caribbe:
  - In partnership with ICA
  - To promote the exchange of knowledge and best practices
  - We started with Latin American countries and will add the Caribbean during the Caribbean e-Government workshop
Publications

- Profiles of Electronic Government Procurement Systems

- America Latina Puntogob
  - In partnership with FLACSO

- Summary Report, Best Practices Forum of the Americas: e-Government Experiences in Canada, Chile and Brazil
  - In partnership with ICA
Private Sector Alliances

- **Solutions related to:**
  - government portals
  - citizen services
  - government procurement
  - telecenters management
  - municipal portals
  - cadastre and land registry

- **Companies:**
  - Microsoft
  - Sonda
  - Vesta
  - Axesnet
  - Stewart Title
Thank you

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