

References: *Studies and Plans*



Defining strategies and priorities to foster Research and Development and Innovation in ICT in Ecuador. Strategic Plan”



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The study aim is the assessment of technological capabilities and current status of research, development and innovation of ICT in Ecuador, defining the most appropriate regulatory proposals for the promotion of R&D and Innovation lines in ICT for the next five years (2013-2018). The diagnostic phase involved the analysis of primary and secondary sources of information, the analysis of technological capacity of the country, the development of a Stakeholders map for the ICT R&D System, including a definition of development scenarios and an international benchmarking about R&D Systems and Programmes.

During the phase of strategic planning, the strategic direction was set, materialized in the Preparation of Strategic Plan of R&D in ICT, an Operational Plan development, a proposal for the management Organizational Plan, the design of a model for process management and a functional definition of a collaborative platform for the R & D in ICT. On the other hand, it was developed an Implementation Plan in institutional terms, specifying the necessary resources and planning for its implementation.

As part of the study, two workshops to validate both the strategic lines of the Plan and the Strategic Plan proposed, and a Lecture to explain the final results, were held with relevant actors in the ICT R&D system in Ecuador (public institutions, universities and enterprises).

Training sessions and technology transfer activities were also held with officers of the Telecommunications and Information Society Ministry and National Funding Agency. A final presentation and executive summary drafting of the project was also developed.