

Sultanate of Oman

Information Technology Strategy

In early 1970's, the sultanate of Oman, under the directions of his majesty Sultan Qaboos, gave important concern to information technology. After 25 years, Sultanate increased its concern in Information Technology by launching a long development strategy plan(1996-2020) which focuses on Information and Communication Technology and fundamental establishment of the knowledge economy in order to increase Oman Economy Productivity which will improve citizens livelihood.

According to integrated, cooperative and unified procedure, Sultanate of Oman launched a national strategy for the Information and Communication Technology (ICT). The strategy aims to build a digital society and automate all government services of the different sectors to be available for citizens, residents and businesses. In addition, it specifies policies and directions to encourage the Information and Communication Technology activities in the private sector in Oman. Hence, Information Technology Authority has been established by the decree-law (52/2006) to achieve these goals.

The DIGITAL Vision

The leveraging of information technology and communications in providing collaborative services to public and private sectors and citizens through electronic means has been the driving force to move forward the Sultanate to the knowledge-based economy and achieve sustainable development.

The Opportunity for Oman

- Achieving the digital information network all over Sultanate.
- Enable knowledge-based industries.
- Achieving E-commerce and E-business environment.
- Streamlining digital government services to citizens and business.
- Progression the human resource in information and communication fields.
- Enlightenment about the information importance in the business cycle.
- Establishing the national applications infrastructure.
- Specifying the standards and the guide lines of the national networks and its systems.
- Establishing the information security technologies infrastructure.