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STATEMENT OF TURKEY

REPORT OF THE PARTNERSHIP ON MEASURING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

Turkey appreciates the work undertaken by the partnership on measuring information and communications technology (ICT) for development and accepts new indicators to measure information society stated in the report.

Turkey suggests that more comparable data may be obtained with the assistance of building-up common standards to produce ICT statistics. This implementation results in harmonisation of concepts, definitions and metadata amongst all international organisations related to this issue as well.

For example, SDG indicator 4.4.1 on “Proportion of youth and adults with information and communications technology skills, by type of skill” defines the percentage of youth aged 15-24 years and adults aged 15 years and above. International Telecommunication Union (ITU) also uses aged 15-24 years. However, Survey on ICT Usage in Households of Eurostat covers individual aged as 16-74.