

PLENARY 5: CONNECTIVITY

**United Nations Economic and Social
Commission for Asia and the Pacific
(UNESCAP)**

ESCAP

- **Regional development arm** of the United Nations in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Established 1947, HQ in Bangkok, Thailand
- **53 Member States** and 9 Associate Members

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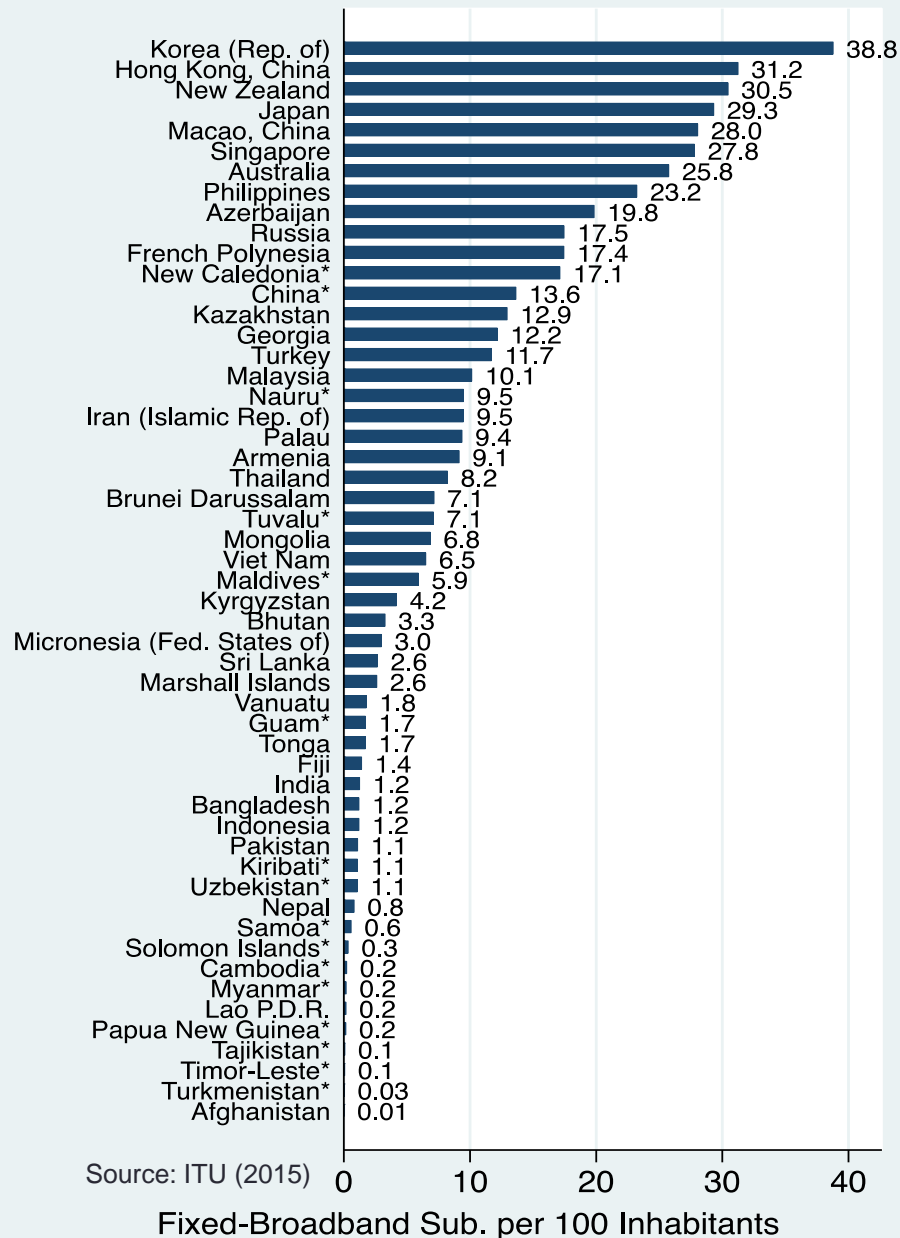
ESCAP's work programme focusses on the following areas:

- Macroeconomic Policy and Development
- Trade and Investment
- Transport
- Social Development
- Environment and Development
- **Information and Communications Technology, Disaster Risk Reduction**
- Statistics
- Sub-regional activities for development (Incheon, New Delhi, Almaty & Suva).

ICT Connectivity in Asia and the Pacific



What proportion of the general population have access to fixed-broadband internet or mobile fixed-broadband internet?



Source: ITU (2015)

Fixed-Broadband Sub. per 100 Inhabitants

Note: * - Countries with latest data available.

Digital Divide

ICT connectivity in rural and isolated communities?

ICT connectivity hamper/strengthen the effectiveness of e-government services, e-health, e-education, e-mobile money etc.

How to lessen the digital divide gap?