

To facilitate **telecom reform** and **information infrastructure development** throughout the world – through research, training, dialogue, policy & regulatory advice;

To build **human capital** in the area as the foundation for development, effective regulation and governance for new **network economies**.



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**LIRNE.NET** was created at the end of the 20th century to build upon the work of a group of university researchers already working together in ICT policy and regulation. This initial consolidation resulted in a high level of productivity and dissemination of research results and demand for the further expansion of the network. LIRNE.NET is now the umbrella organisation for the World Dialogue on Regulation for Network Economies (WDR) and for the LIRNE centres on four continents.

#### **LIRNE.NET Activities**

- Research activities and reports
- World Dialogue on Regulation for Network Economies (WDR)
- External training initiatives (courses for government, industry and NGOs)
- Expert analysis & commentary on current issues

#### **Research publications and online regulatory resources**

Available from: [www.lirne.net](http://www.lirne.net)

**External Training Courses:** Telecom Reform; Information Infrastructure Development; and Strategies for Effective Regulation in Stimulating Network Development.

**Target Groups:** Senior staff and executive decision-makers from government policy bodies, regulatory authorities, regulatory divisions of incumbent and new operators, trade unions, business and consumer user groups, academics developing new programmes.



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World Dialogue on Regulation for Network Economies

#### **World Dialogue on Regulation for Network Economies (WDR)**

##### **Mission**

To facilitate an international dialogue that generates and disseminates new knowledge on frontier issues in regulation and governance to support the development of network economies.

##### **WDR Dialogue Theme (3<sup>rd</sup> cycle)**

##### **Diversifying Participation in Network Development**

WDR Reference Paper, monthly *e-Brief* and Interactive Dialogue available at:

[www.regulateonline.org](http://www.regulateonline.org)

**Project Initiator:** *infoDev* (World Bank)

##### **Foundation Partners 2004–2007**

- *infoDev* (World Bank)
- LIRNE.NET Universities
- IDRC Canada

##### **Research publications and news resources:**

Available from: [www.regulateonline.org](http://www.regulateonline.org) including:

##### **Stimulating Investment in Network Development:**

**Roles for Regulators**, Case Studies and Research from WDR Research Cycle 2.

##### **Next Generation Regulation: ICT Convergence or**

**Multisector Utility?**, Final Report of WDR Dialogue 2002 (WDR Research Cycle 1).

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