

**WORKING DOCUMENT: SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) Analysis of the ICT Program Environment**

	<p align="center"><b>STRENGTHS – S</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Well-trained and dedicated staff</li> <li>2. Sufficient budgetary resources</li> <li>3. Support by Member States and management</li> <li>4. An existing global network</li> <li>5. Accountable performance of ICT Division</li> <li>6. Availability of skilled ICT resources</li> <li>7. Strong ICT management team</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>WEAKNESSES - W</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Certain % of staff have only legacy systems knowledge and skillsets</li> <li>2. Lack of awareness of the full potential of ICT</li> <li>3. Exposure to rapidly changing technologies</li> <li>4. Paper-based work practices</li> <li>5. Lack of agreed standards for e-business environment</li> </ol>
<p align="center"><b>OPPORTUNITIES – O</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Member States require e-business solutions and are e-business capable</li> <li>2. Emerging IP business requirements</li> <li>3. IP customers are e-business capable</li> <li>4. Global growth in IP</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>SO STRATEGIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop global IP e-business solutions (S2,S3,S4,O1,O2,O3)</li> <li>2. Support Member States in developing e-business solutions and services (S2,S3,S4,O1,O2)</li> <li>3. Utilize a mix of internal and external resources (S1,S4,S6,S7,O1,O2)</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>WO STRATEGIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Standardize on hardware and software platforms for new solutions (W3,O2)</li> <li>2. Develop new e-business standards (W5,O1,O2,O3)</li> <li>3. Undertake projects to illustrate the benefits of e-working versus paper-based work practices (W4,O2)</li> </ol>
<p align="center"><b>THREATS – T</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Staff turnover drains knowledge</li> <li>2. Future financial resources may be limited</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>ST STRATEGIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Keep staff well trained and motivated (S1,T1)</li> <li>2. Keep Member States and senior management informed of progress of ICT (S7,T2)</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>WT STRATEGIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Staff training policy needs to be established to ensure skillsets are kept up-to-date (W1,T1)</li> <li>2. Undertake an ICT awareness and information campaign to build understanding and support (W2,T2)</li> </ol>

Key: SO strategies – strategies developed by combining strengths (S) and opportunities (O)  
 ST strategies – strategies developed by combining strengths (S) and threats (T)  
 WO strategies – strategies developed by combining weaknesses (W) and opportunities (O)  
 WT strategies – strategies developed by combining weaknesses (W) and threats (T)

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