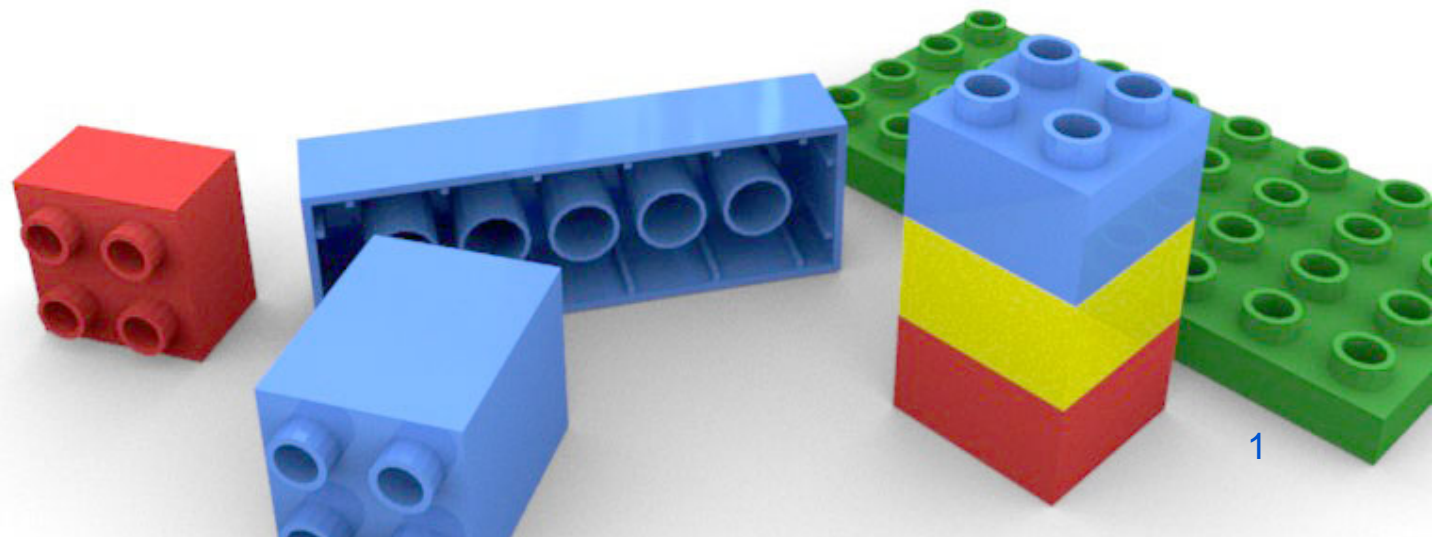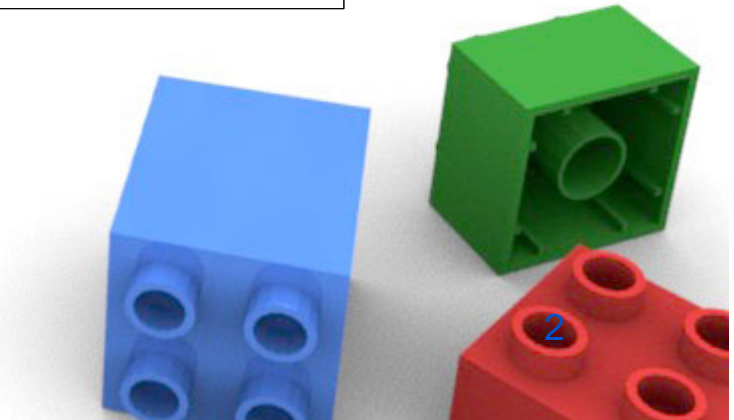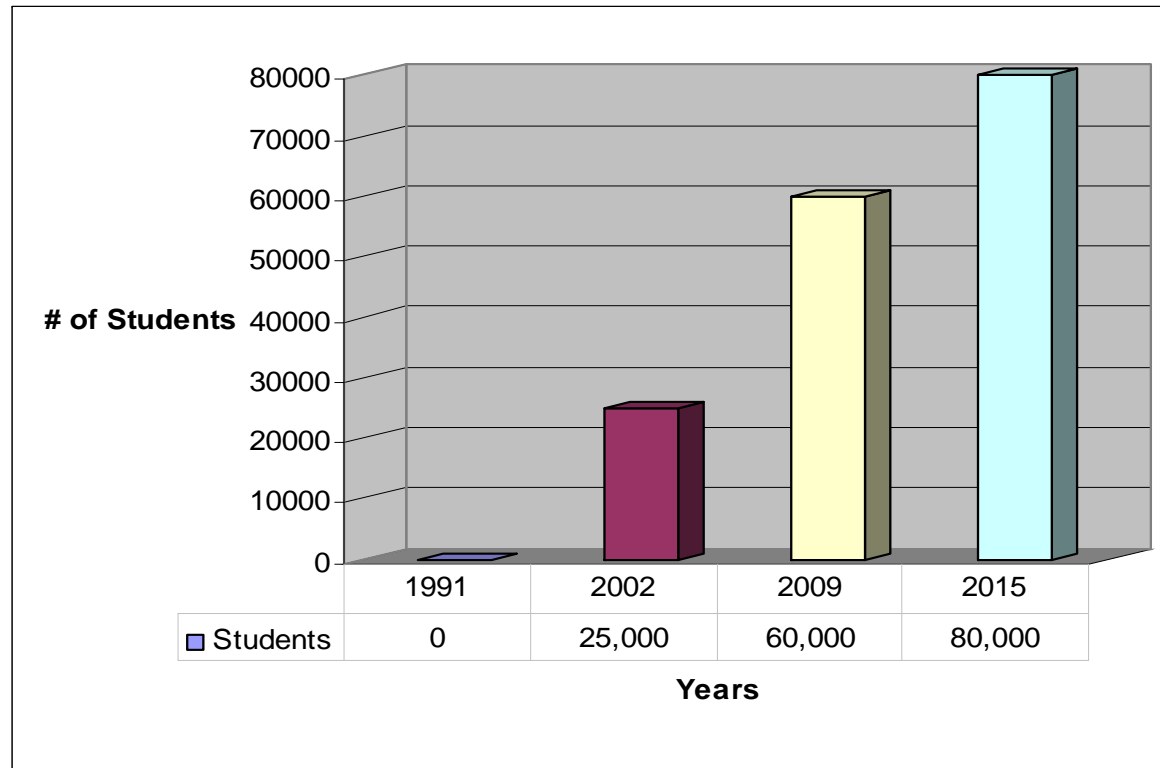# Overview of e-learning
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Al-Quds Open University

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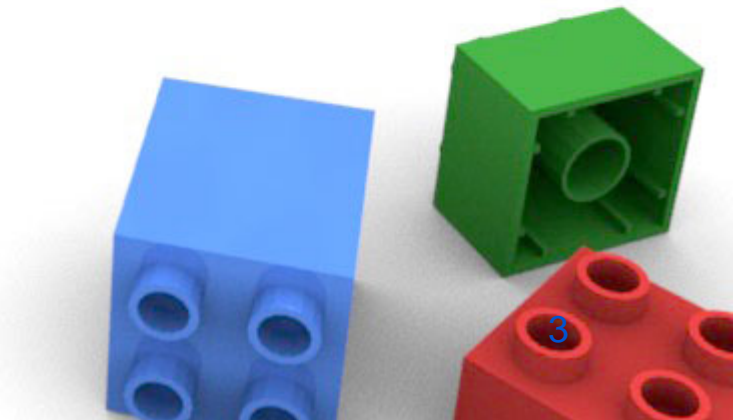
QOU is 18 years Old

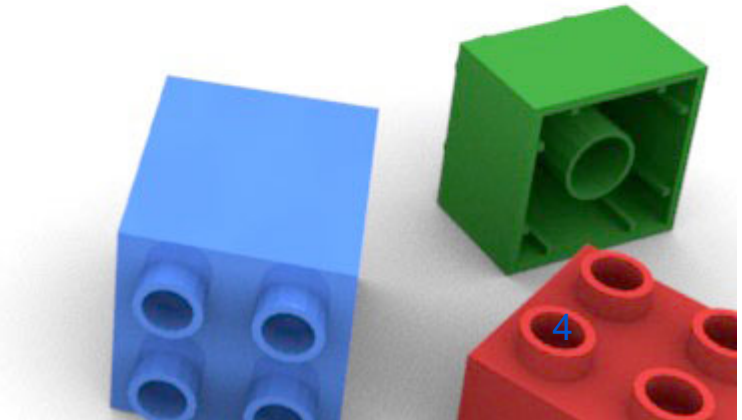1991 - 2009

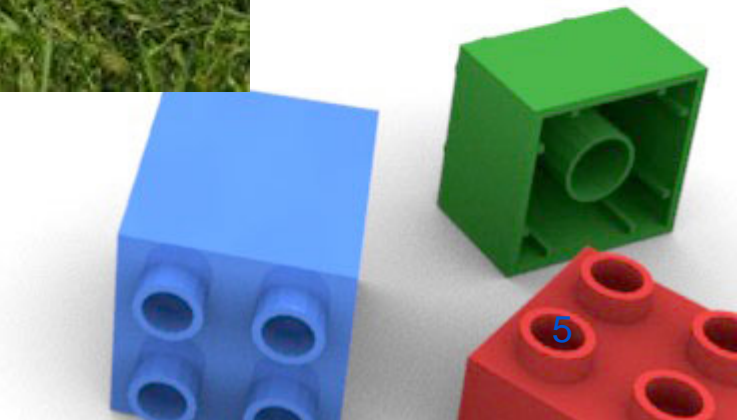|	1991	2002	2009	2015
☐ Students	0	25,000	60,000	80,000

# of Students

Years

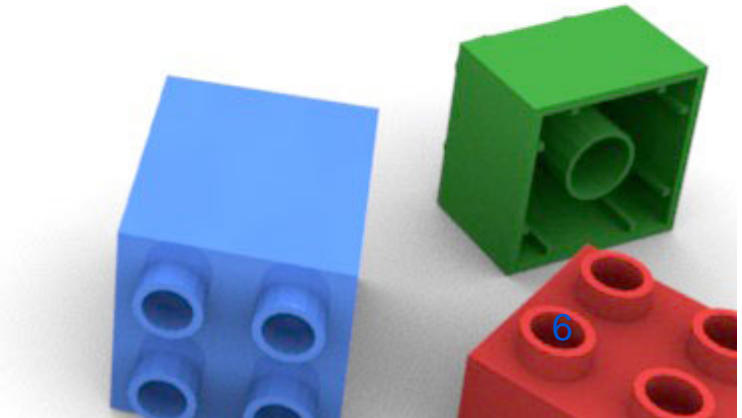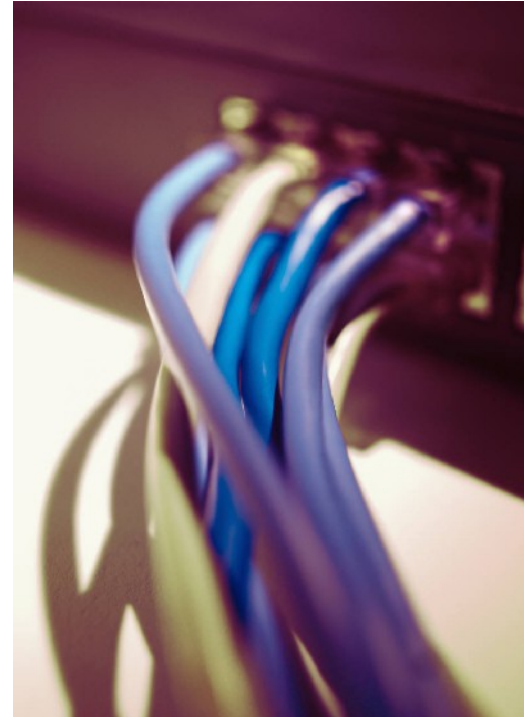In today's world technology is changing everything

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These words where very much true **18 years** ago. They are true today and they will be true many years from now

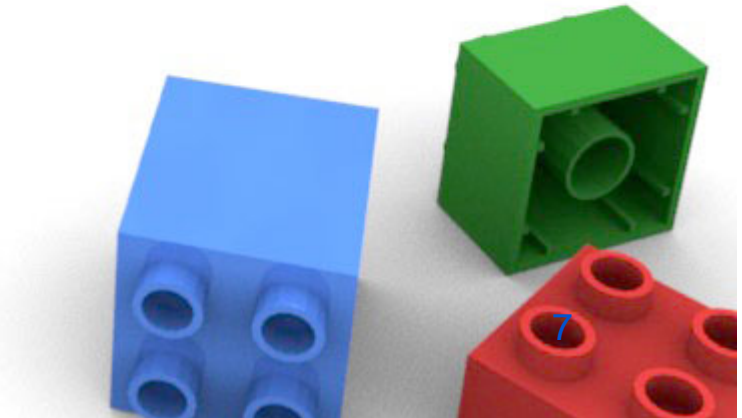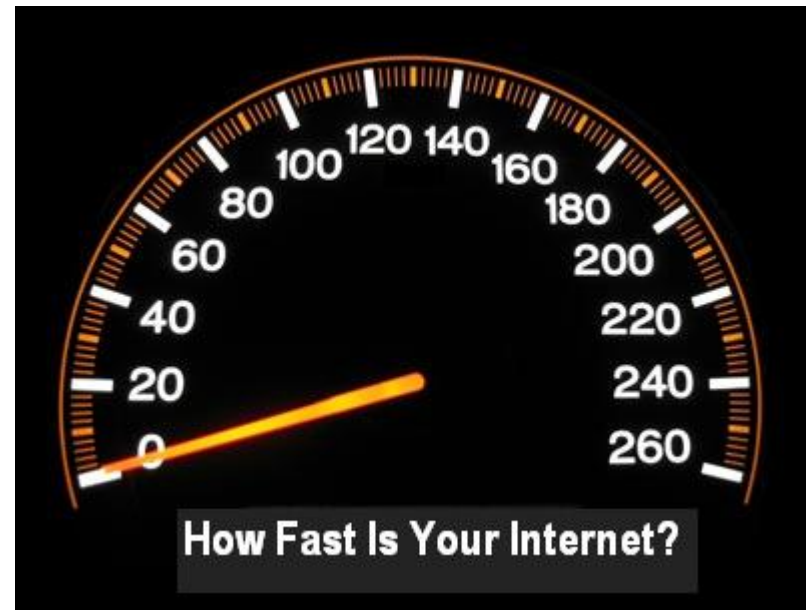# Is the university able to meet the technology challenges ?

• Started with establishing the ICTC in 1998.

•Aim was to lay the foundations for adequate IT infrastructure.

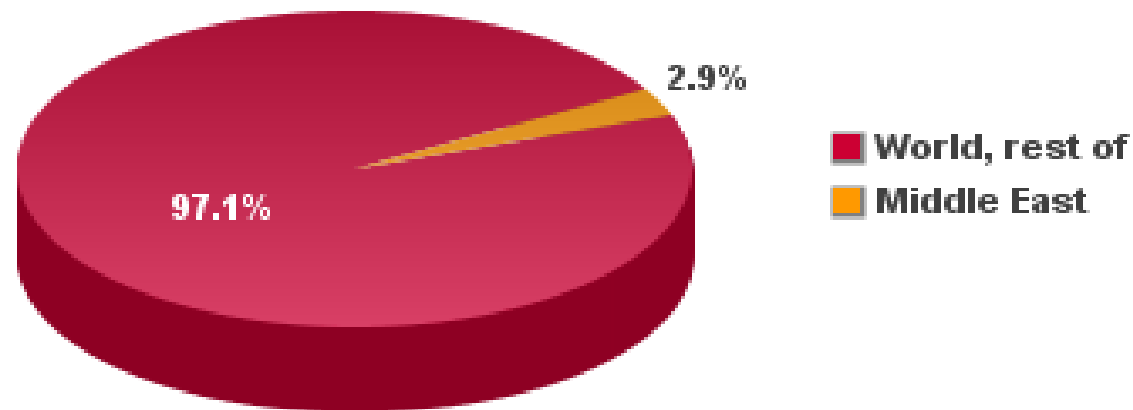•Some problems in Bandwidth across the country is adversely affecting any initiative.

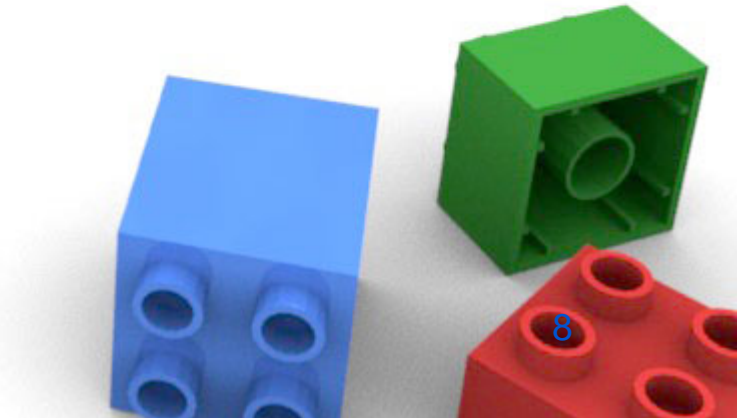Is the internet bandwidth a hot topic elsewhere in the world ?

How to compare Palestine with other countries   in terms of Internet use and speed ?

How Fast Is Your Internet?

Internet Users in Middle East

2.9%

97.1%

■ World, rest of
■ Middle East
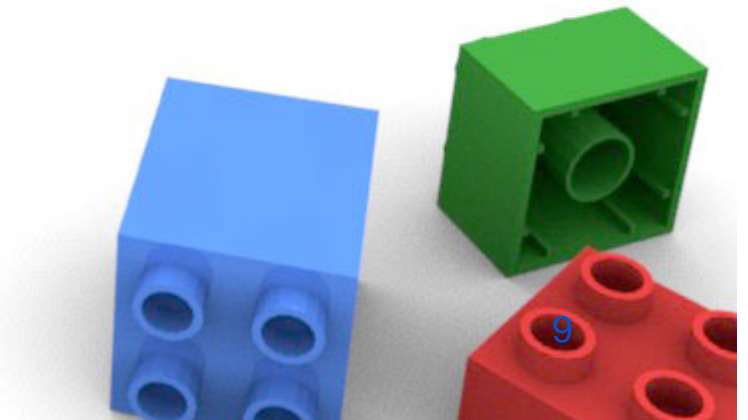
Source: www.internetworldstats.com - Middle East had
45,861,346 estimated Internet Users in Dec. 2008
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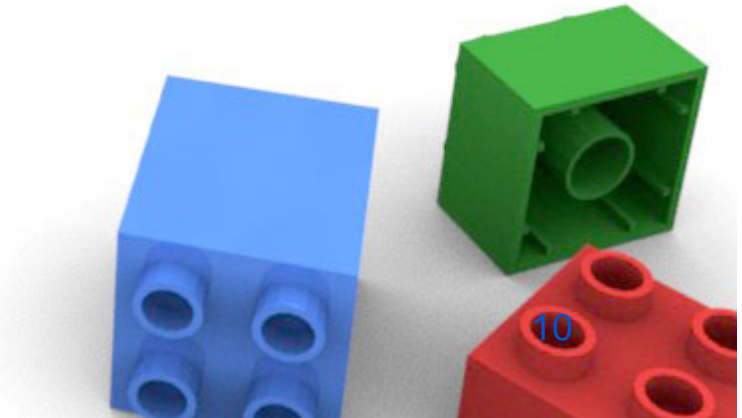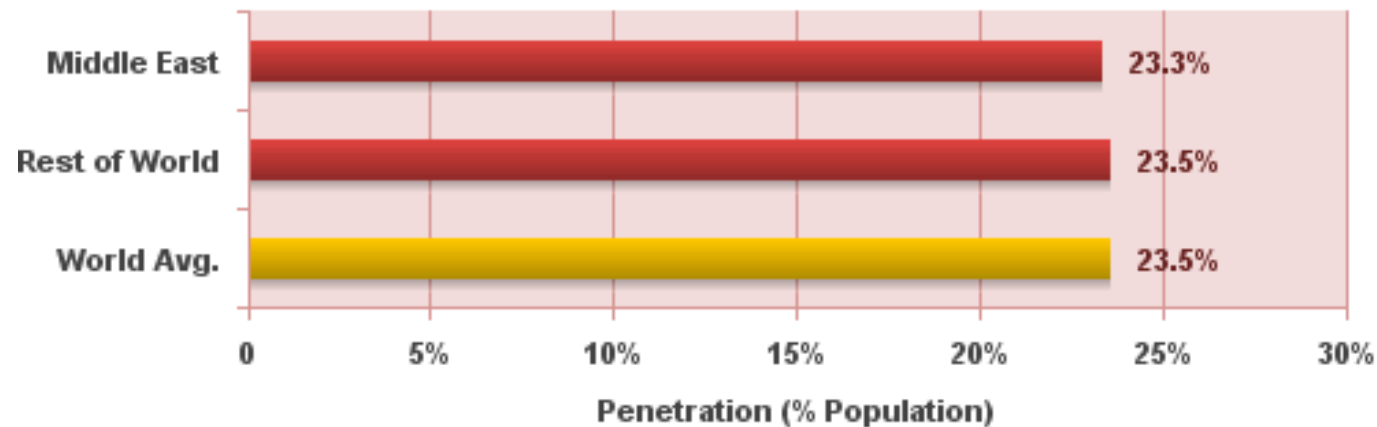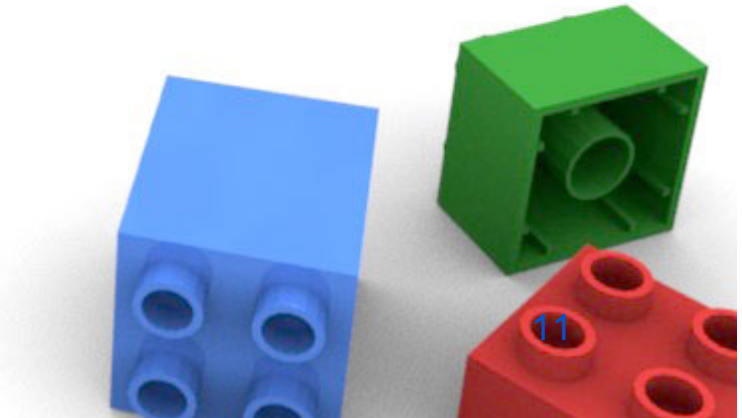Not the Whole Picture !

Any optimisms ?

Internet Penetration in Middle East

Source: Internet World Stats - www.internetworldstats.com
1,574,313,184 world Internet users on December 2008
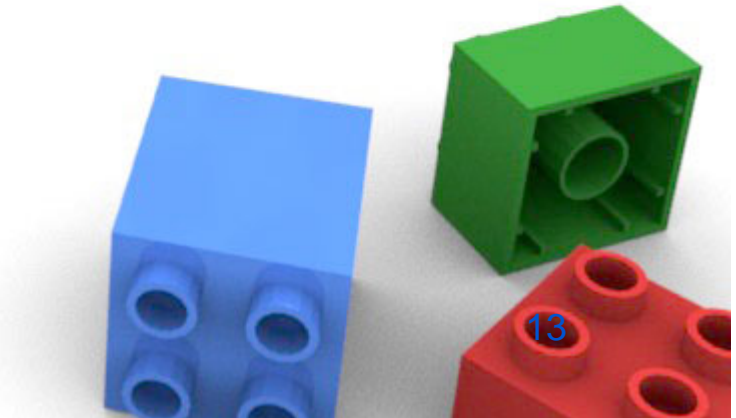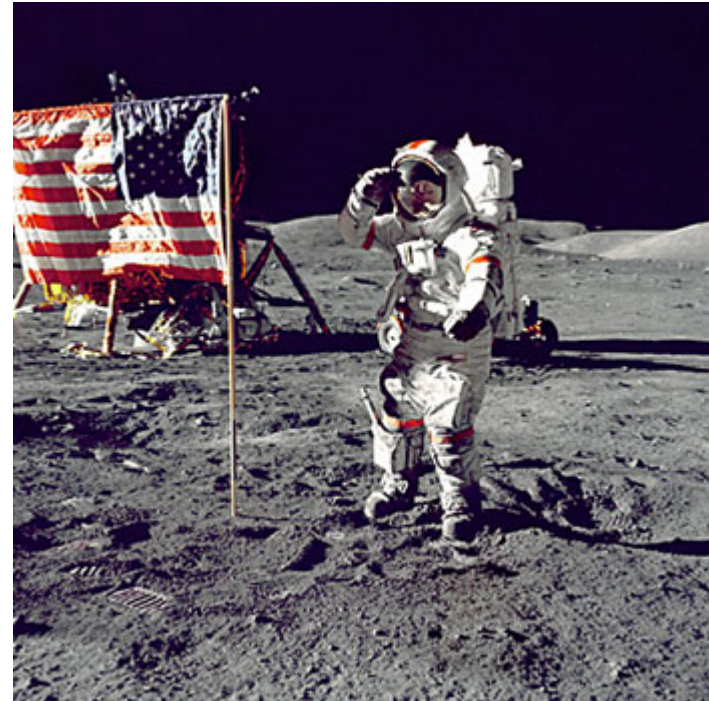Copyright © 2009, Miniwatts Marketing Group

Middle East Internet Usage and Population Statistics (March 2009)

MIDDLE EAST	Population (2008 Est.)	Usage, in Dec/2000	Internet Usage, Latest Data	% Population (Penetration)	User Growth (2000-2008)	(%) of Table
Bahrain	718,306	40,000	250,000	34.8 %	525.0 %	0.5 %
Iran	65,875,223	250,000	23,000,000	34.9 %	9,100.0 %	50.2 %
Iraq	28,221,181	12,500	275,000	1.0 %	2,100.0 %	0.6 %
Israel	7,112,359	1,270,000	5,263,146	74.0 %	314.4 %	11.5 %
Jordan	6,198,677	127,300	1,126,700	18.2 %	785.1 %	2.5 %
Kuwait	2,596,799	150,000	900,000	34.7 %	500.0 %	2.0 %
Lebanon	3,971,941	300,000	1,570,000	39.5 %	423.3 %	3.4 %
Oman	3,311,640	90,000	340,000	10.3 %	277.8 %	0.7 %
(Palestine West Bk.)	2,407,681	35,000	355,000	14.8 %	915.7 %	0.8 %
Qatar	824,789	30,000	351,000	42.6 %	1,070.0 %	0.8 %
Saudi Arabia	28,146,657	200,000	6,380,000	22.7 %	3,090.0 %	13.9 %
Syria	19,747,586	30,000	3,470,000	17.6 %	11,466.7 %	7.6 %
United Arab Emirates	4,621,399	735,000	2,260,000	48.9 %	207.5 %	4.9 %
Yemen	23,013,376	15,000	320,000	1.4 %	2,033.3 %	0.7 %
TOTAL Middle East	196,767,614	3,284,800	45,861,346	23.3 %	1,296.2 %	100.0 %

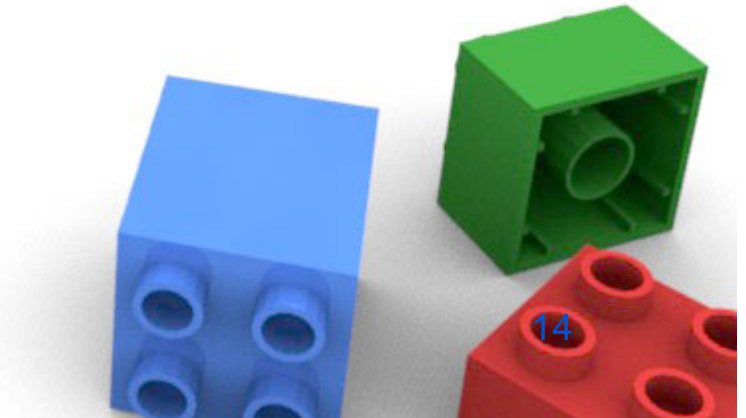Courtesy of   Internet World Stats   (http://www.internetworldstats.com/stats5.htm)

Man first landed on the moon in 1969

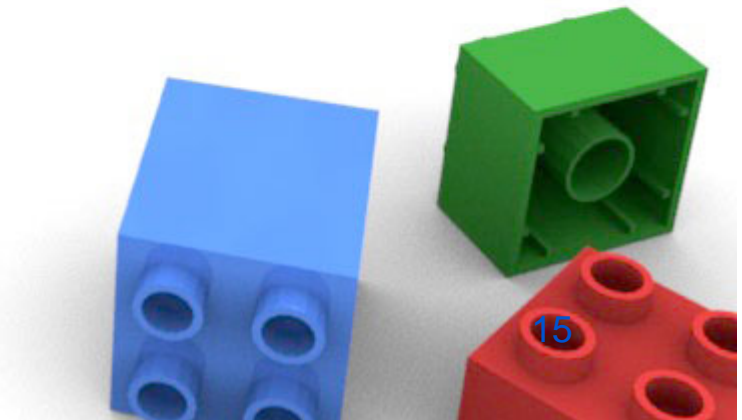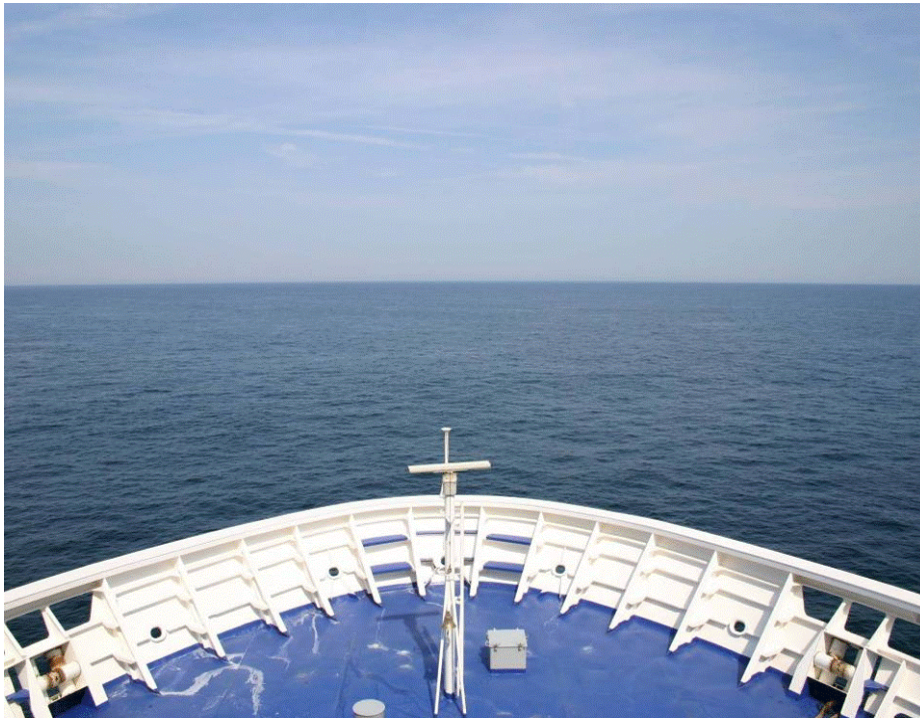But he didn't planned to do so in 1968 .! May be well before

Hopefully one day , our technological problems will be over .

So could we be well-prepared by that day ?

What QOU e-learning services are now **available** ?

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Virtual Class

Video Streaming &
E-Course
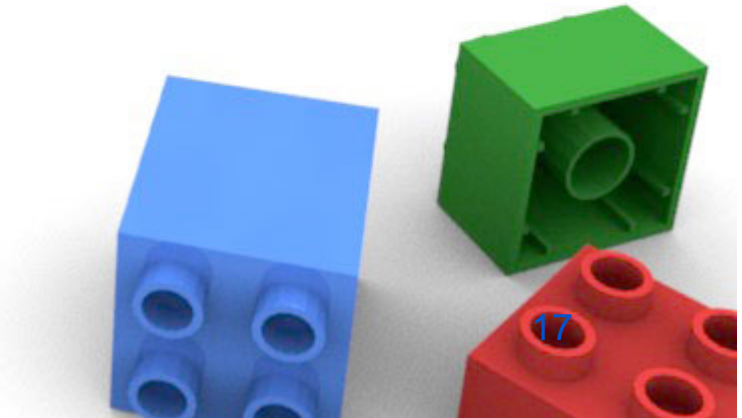Template

Academic Portal

Infrastructure
& Legacy
Projects:
Video
Productions,
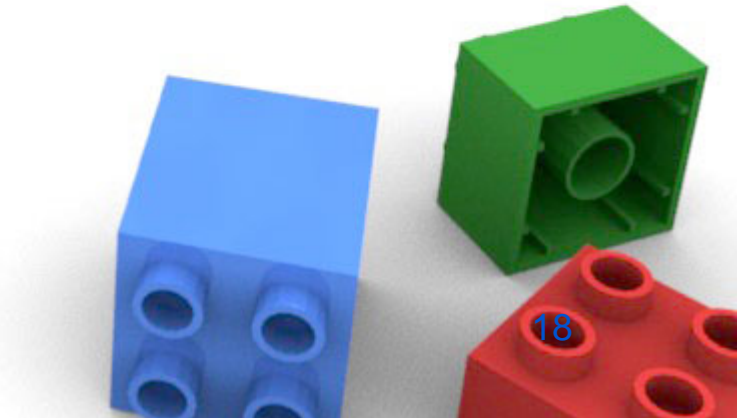Multimedia
CDs

Avicenna
, RUFO

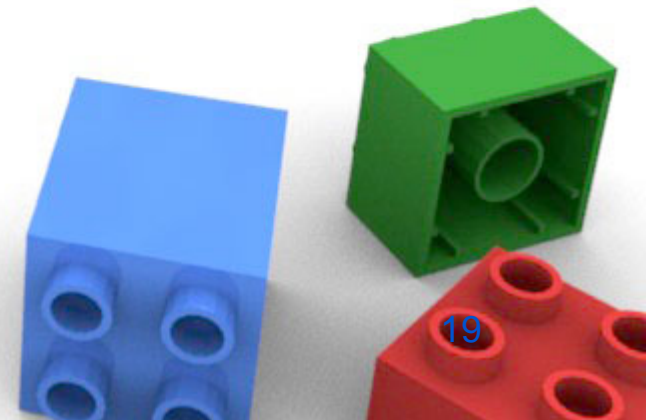Different sets of Technology

A lot of resources

QOU has number of centers
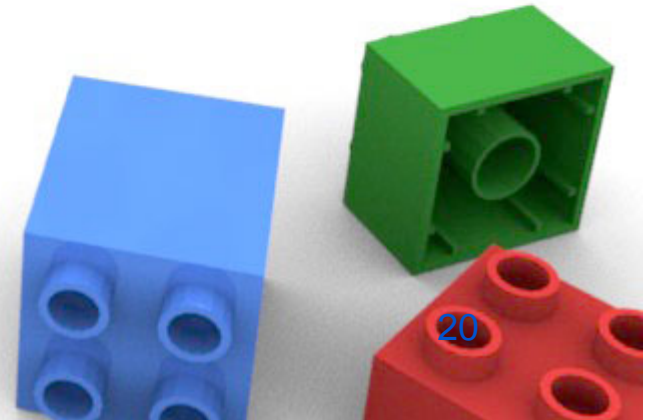working on producing
different sets of materials

From Virtual Class,
Moodle, Academic
Portal, Video Streaming
, E-Course Template,
Avicenna modules,
Rufo, Multimedia and
TV productions.
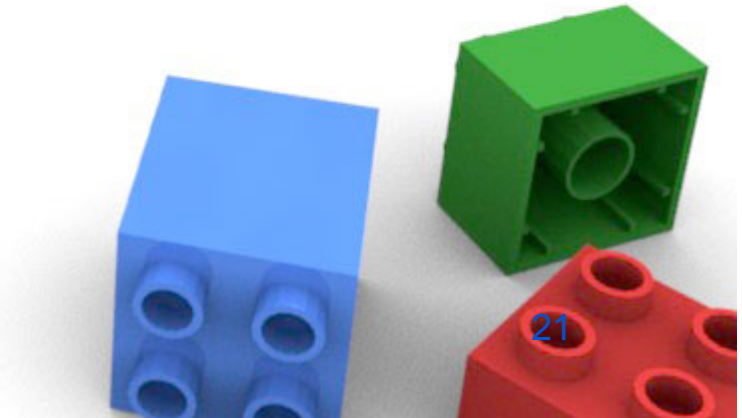
Emphasis may be on
Delivery methods

Judged by outcomes, the
e-learning projects were
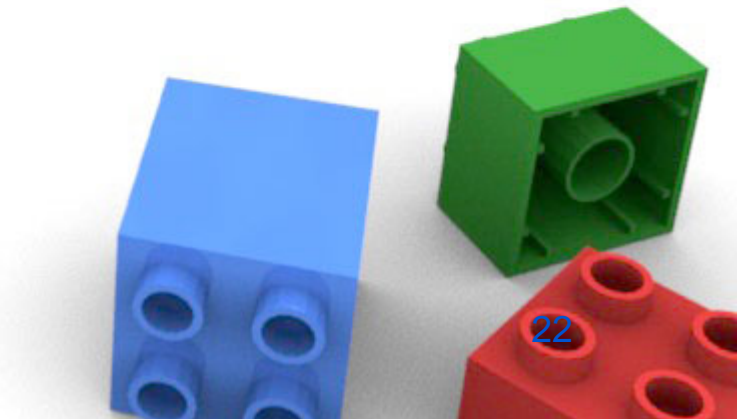successful in having an
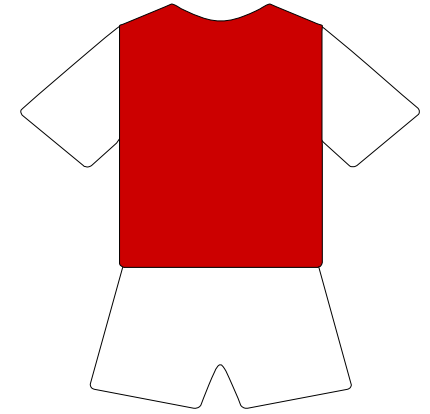impact ?

But how to make it permanent ?

Think about a wider
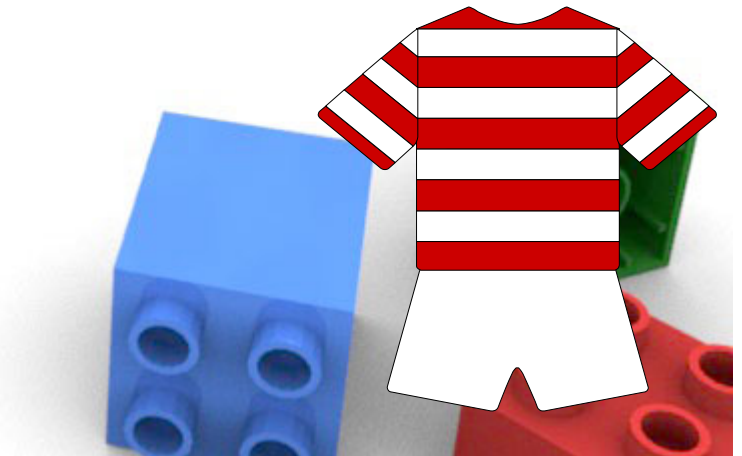Strategy to group and
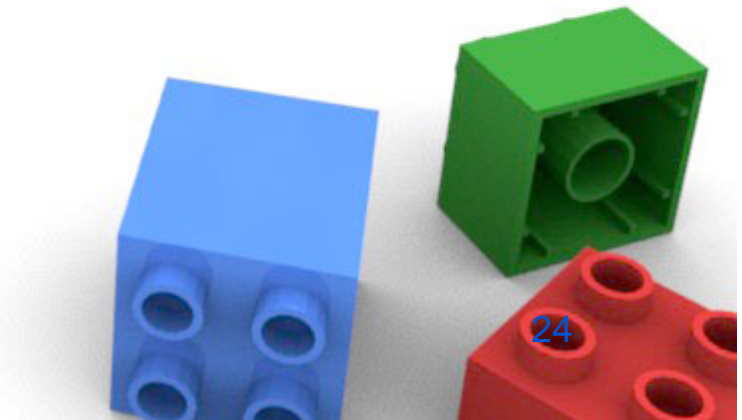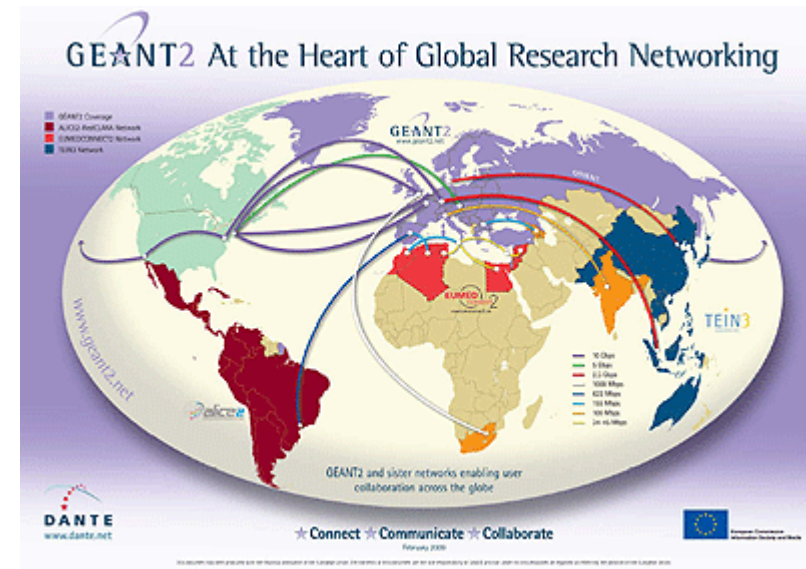build on past successes

Phased not
rushed
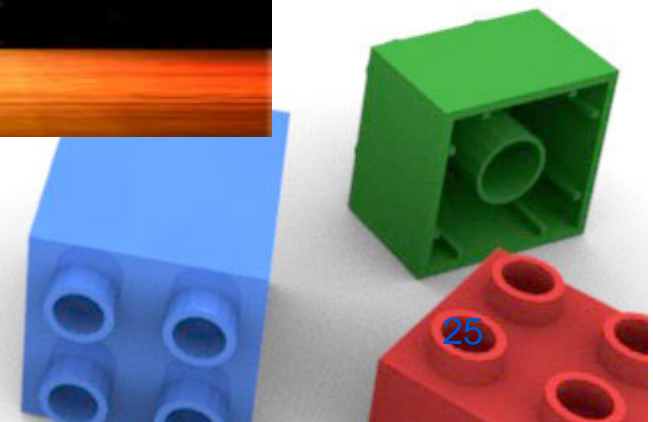implementation

Who are the Key Players ?

Benefitting from existing opportunities (EumedConnect project)

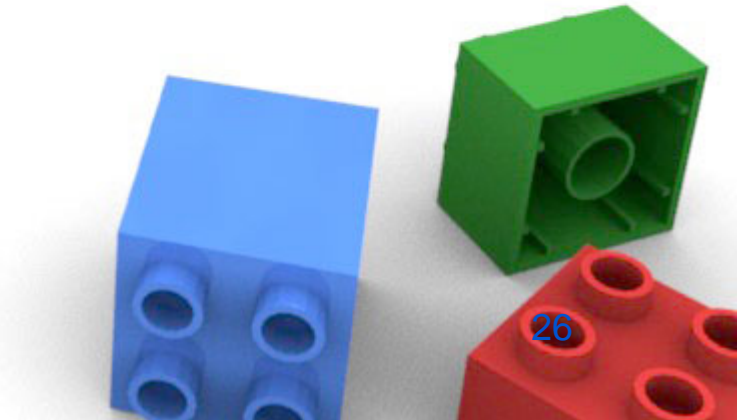Cooperation with local and international partners
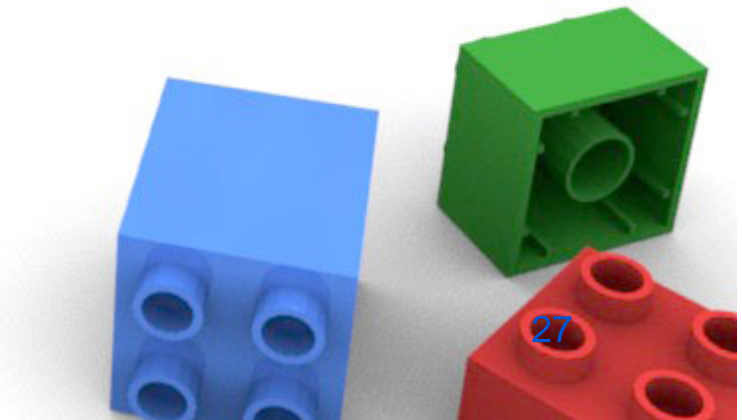
At the end, student judgment

Problems Ahead

- Software Licenses.
- Ability for students to afford means to use technology (Computers, software etc)
- Broadband issues
- Teacher Training
- Cultural issues

Overview of each service will follow
in the next interventions

Thank you