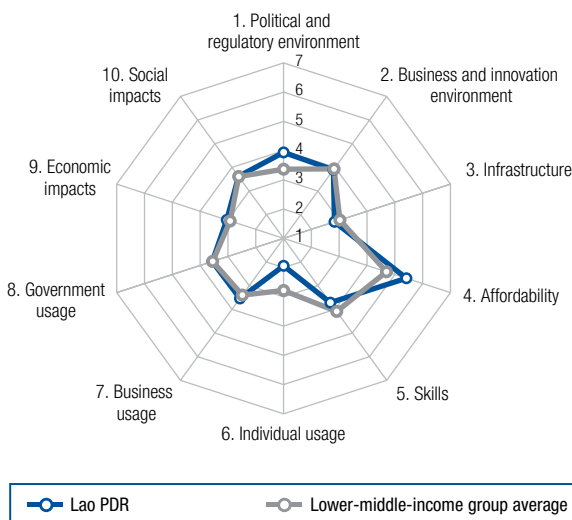


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	Rank (out of 143)	Value (1-7)
Networked Readiness Index 2015	97	3.6
Networked Readiness Index 2014 (out of 148).....	109	3.3
Networked Readiness Index 2013 (out of 144).....	n/a	n/a
A. Environment subindex	73	3.9
1st pillar: Political and regulatory environment.....	53	3.9
2nd pillar: Business and innovation environment.....	96	3.9
B. Readiness subindex	101	4.0
3rd pillar: Infrastructure	107	2.8
4th pillar: Affordability.....	64	5.4
5th pillar: Skills.....	112	3.7
C. Usage subindex	113	3.0
6th pillar: Individual usage.....	128	1.9
7th pillar: Business usage.....	75	3.5
8th pillar: Government usage.....	90	3.6
D. Impact subindex	96	3.3
9th pillar: Economic impacts.....	88	3.0
10th pillar: Social impacts.....	95	3.6



The Networked Readiness Index in detail

INDICATOR	RANK/143	VALUE
1st pillar: Political and regulatory environment		
1.01 Effectiveness of law-making bodies*	30	4.4
1.02 Laws relating to ICTs*	79	3.8
1.03 Judicial independence*	61	3.9
1.04 Efficiency of legal system in settling disputes*	38	4.3
1.05 Efficiency of legal system in challenging regs*	106	2.8
1.06 Intellectual property protection*	76	3.6
1.07 Software piracy rate, % software installed.....	n/a	n/a
1.08 No. procedures to enforce a contract	113	4.2
1.09 No. days to enforce a contract	44	4.4
2nd pillar: Business and innovation environment		
2.01 Availability of latest technologies*	114	4.1
2.02 Venture capital availability*	85	2.5
2.03 Total tax rate, % profits	25	25.8
2.04 No. days to start a business	140	9.2
2.05 No. procedures to start a business	58	6
2.06 Intensity of local competition*	69	5.1
2.07 Tertiary education gross enrollment rate, %.....	99	16.7
2.08 Quality of management schools*.....	79	4.1
2.09 Gov't procurement of advanced tech*	51	3.7
3rd pillar: Infrastructure		
3.01 Electricity production, kWh/capita	110	567.4
3.02 Mobile network coverage, % pop.	97	96.0
3.03 Int'l Internet bandwidth, kb/s per user.....	98	10.6
3.04 Secure Internet servers/million pop.	130	1.0
4th pillar: Affordability		
4.01 Prepaid mobile cellular tariffs, PPP \$/min.....	80	0.30
4.02 Fixed broadband Internet tariffs, PPP \$/month ..	11	16.62
4.03 Internet & telephony competition, 0-2 (best)....	127	0.91
5th pillar: Skills		
5.01 Quality of educational system*	60	3.8
5.02 Quality of math & science education*.....	83	3.9
5.03 Secondary education gross enrollment rate, %	122	46.5
5.04 Adult literacy rate, %.....	86	79.9

INDICATOR	RANK/143	VALUE
6th pillar: Individual usage		
6.01 Mobile phone subscriptions/100 pop.....	129	68.1
6.02 Individuals using Internet, %.....	120	12.5
6.03 Households w/ personal computer, %	114	9.6
6.04 Households w/ Internet access, %	122	5.1
6.05 Fixed broadband Internet subs/100 pop.....	122	0.1
6.06 Mobile broadband subs/100 pop.....	118	2.5
6.07 Use of virtual social networks*	113	4.9
7th pillar: Business usage		
7.01 Firm-level technology absorption*	96	4.3
7.02 Capacity for innovation*	71	3.7
7.03 PCT patents, applications/million pop.	115	0.0
7.04 Business-to-business Internet use*	87	4.6
7.05 Business-to-consumer Internet use*	89	4.1
7.06 Extent of staff training*	45	4.3
8th pillar: Government usage		
8.01 Importance of ICTs to gov't vision*.....	51	4.2
8.02 Government Online Service Index, 0-1 (best)...	125	0.14
8.03 Gov't success in ICT promotion*.....	39	4.6
9th pillar: Economic impacts		
9.01 Impact of ICTs on new services & products*.....	81	4.2
9.02 ICT PCT patents, applications/million pop.	99	0.0
9.03 Impact of ICTs on new organizational models*	80	4.0
9.04 Knowledge-intensive jobs, % workforce.....	n/a	n/a
10th pillar: Social impacts		
10.01 Impact of ICTs on access to basic services*.....	68	4.2
10.02 Internet access in schools*	88	3.8
10.03 ICT use & gov't efficiency*	57	4.3
10.04 E-Participation Index, 0-1 (best).....	116	0.20

Note: Indicators followed by an asterisk (*) are measured on a 1-to-7 (best) scale. For further details and explanation, please refer to the section "How to Read the Country/Economy Profiles" on page 115.