Where is Europe today in building Information Society

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The Lisbon Agenda, 2000 states: ''a new strategic goal needs to be defined for the next ten years: to make the European Union the world's most dynamic and competitive area, based on innovation and knowledge, able to boost economic growth levels with more and better jobs and greater social cohesion ''.
The presentation outlines where is Europe today in building information society based on the evaluation made by the EU with the midterm review of the eEurope 2005 program.

In addition to the midterm review a short summary is given of a study made by the Dutch presidency called '' Rethinking of the European ICT Agenda .'' The aim of this study is to rethink and revitalise the Lisbon agenda and propose breakthroughs to speed up progress. This analysis is complemented by OECD made recommendations.

An important part of the presentation is the investigation of the Hungarian situation in connection with the Lisbon agenda. It will be analysed how Hungary can catch up to the European level in the development of Information Society making the best use of the European financial resources through the National Development Plans.