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Links

Internet - a revolution in Information and communication Technology

The 21 Century, as they call, is the age of the information / communication revolution. Rapid development in the fields of communication and information technologies over the past 10-15 years has made a tremendous impact on the socio-economic setup around the world.

Businesses are now operating in a more dynamic and volatile environment than ever.

Perceptions are changing as people now have easy access to vast information reservoirs.

Territorial and geographical boundaries are vanishing and the WORLD is becoming a single global market place. To compete in this dynamic environment, people need to have access to the most modern technologies and introduce modern ways of communication to gain access to the information hubs.

Internet is thus one of the fastest growing phenomena in this regard. The Internet is a network of networks, linking computers to computers. Each runs a software to provide or "serve" information and/or to access and view information. The Internet is the transport vehicle for the information stored in files or documents on another computer.

Computers on the Internet may use one or all of the following Internet services:

- Electronic mail (e-mail). Permits you to send and receive mail.
- Telnet or remote login. Permits your computer to log onto another computer and use it as if you were there.
- FTP or File Transfer Protocol. Allows your computer to rapidly retrieve complex files intact from a remote computer and view or save them on your computer.
- The World Wide Web (WWW or "the Web") is the largest and fastest growing activity on the Internet. The WWW incorporates all of the Internet services above and much more.

The Internet has become more than a complementary marketing medium. It is becoming the central nerve of business and commerce. By creating a successful Internet strategy a business can gain in the following manner:

- Increase customer loyalty
- Increase profitability
- Reduce your business costs
- Reduce customer service cost and response time
- Expand business by reaching new customers using targeted and cost-effective methods



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Accountants and the Internet

Like any other professionals, accountants also need to keep pace with the technological advancements in order to deliver their services in an effective and efficient manner.

The following information has been compiled by me as an attempt to summarise some of the useful WWW locations for students and professionals belonging to the accountancy profession:

LEADING AUDIT AND ACCOUNTING FIRMS

International

KPMG http://www.kpmg.com
Ernst & Young http://www.ey.com
Price Waterhouse Coopers http://www.pwcglobal.com
Deloitte Touché Tohmatsu http://www.deloitte.com

PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Pakistan- Accounting

Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan http://www.icap.org.pk
Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Pakistan http://www.icmap.com.pk

USA -Others

American Accounting Association http://www.rutgers.edu
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) http://www.aicpa.org
National Association of State Accountancy Bodies http://www.nasba.org
Institute of Management Accountants http://www.rutgers.edu



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UK-Accounting

Institute of Management and Administration http://www.ioma.com/
Information Systems Audit and Control Association and Foundation http://www.isaca.org/
Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) http://www.rutgers.edu/Accounting/raw/ia/
Association of Investment and Research http://www.aimr.org/
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales http://www.icai.ie/
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland http://www.icas.org.uk/
Association of Accounting Technicians http://www.aat.co.uk/
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) http://www.acca.co.uk
Association of International Accountants http://www.a-i-a.org.uk/
British Accounting Association http://www.shef.ac.uk/~baa/
European Accounting Association http://www.bham.ac.uk/EAA/
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) http://www.cimaglobal.com
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) http://www.cipfa.org.uk/

UK -Others

Aslib, The Association for Information Management
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http://www.aslib.co.uk/
Association of Unit Trust and Investment Funds http://www.investmentfunds.org.uk/
Chartered Institute of Banking http://www.cib.org.uk/
Chartered Insurance Institute http://www.cii.co.uk/
Institute of Directors http://www.iod.co.uk/
Chartered Institute of Taxation http://www.tax.org.uk/
Institute of Investment Management and Research http://www.iimr.com/
Institute of Management http://www.inst-mgt.org.uk/
Institute of Management Consultants http://www.imc.co.uk/
Institute of Internal Auditors http://www.iaa.org.uk/
Institute of Actuaries http://www.actuaries.org.uk/
Chartered Institute of Marketing http://www.cim.co.uk/

Canada-Accounting

Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants http://www.cica.ca/
Certified General Accountants Association of Canada http://www.interlog.com/~taylor/cimhp1.html
Certified General Accountants Association of Canada http://www.cga-canada.org/
Society of Management Accountants of Canada



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http://www.cma-canada.org/
Institute of Directors http://www.iod.co.uk/
Chartered Institute of Taxation http://www.tax.org.uk/
Institute of Investment Management and Research http://www.iimr.com/
Institute of Management http://www.inst-mgt.org.uk/
Institute of Management Consultants http://www.imc.co.uk/
Institute of Internal Auditors http://www.iaa.org.uk/
Institute of Actuaries http://www.actuaries.org.uk/
Chartered Institute of Marketing http://www.cim.co.uk/

Canada-Accounting

Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants http://www.cica.ca/
Certified General Accountants Association of Canada http://www.interlog.com/~taylor/cimhp1.html
Certified General Accountants Association of Canada http://www.cga-canada.org/
Society of Management Accountants of Canada http://www.cma-canada.org/

Australia & New Zealand-Accounting

Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia http://www.icaa.org.au/
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CPA Australia

<http://www.cpaonline.com.au/>

Institute of Chartered Accountants of New Zealand

<http://www.icanz.co.nz>

South Africa-Accounting

Institute of Chartered Accountants of South Africa

<http://www.saica.co.za/>

Singapore-Accounting

Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore

<http://www.accountants.org.sg/>

Hong Kong -Accounting

Hong Kong Society of Accountants

<http://www.hksa.org.hk/>

Hong Kong -Others

Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries

<http://www.hkics.org.hk/>

Germany-Accounting

Institute der Wirtschaftsprüfer - Germany

<http://www.idw.de/>

India-Accounting

Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

<http://www.icai.org>

General

International Federation of Accountants

<http://www.ifac.org/>



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South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA) http://www.citechco.net/safa/
The Association of Independent Financial Advisers (AIFA) http://www.aifa.net/
Chartered Accountancy Institutes Worldwide http://www.chartered-accountants.com/ca.htm
Financial Accounting Standards Board http://accounting.rutgers.edu/raw/fasb/
International Accounting Standards Committee http://www.iasc.org.uk

TAXATION RESOURCES International

Tax Sites (Links to international tax and accounting sites) http://www.taxsites.com
Complex Indian Tax laws Made Easy http://www.taxfundas.com/
Indian Taxes http://www.indiantaxes.com/
Laws for India - Indian Tax Laws http://www.indiantaxlaws.com/
Income Tax Department - Delhi India http://incometaxdelhi.nic.in/

Pakistan

Tax Online http://www.taxonline.com.pk
Paktax http://www.paktax.com.pk
Softax http://www.softax.com.pk
Pakistan Lawyer http://www.pakistanlawyer.com
SA Salam http://www.sasalam.com.pk
Rahmat Ullah Malik http://www.rahmat.com

MAGAZINES /JOURNALS / OTHERS



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Accountants World http://www.accountantsworld.com
Audit net http://www.auditnet.org
Accounting Web http://www.accountingweb.co.uk
Accounting Pro2net http://accounting.pro2net.com/
Electronic Accountant http://www.electronicaccountant.com
Financial Planning http://www.financial-planning.com/
Accountancy Age http://www.accountancyage.co.uk
Accountancy Magazine (ICAEW) http://www.accountancymag.co.uk
FEEEuro Newsletter http://www.euro.fee.be/newsletter.asp
FindArticles.Com (Searchable database of accounting articles) http://www.findarticles.com/PI/index.jhtml
Information Systems Auditor http://www.intnews.com/isa.htm
Information Systems Control Journal http://www.isaca.org/jrnlhome.htm
IFR Connect (International Financing Review) http://www.ifrpub.com
Management Consultancy http://www.managementconsultancy.co.uk
Pass Magazine http://www.passmagazine.com

Others

Internet Magazine http://www.internet-magazine.com
The Economist http://www.economist.com
News week Magazine http://www.newsweek.com/
Forbes Magazine http://www.forbes.com
Fortune http://www.pathfinder.com/fortune/



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SEARCH ENGINES

Google http://www.google.com
Yahoo http://www.yahoo.com
Alta Vista http://www.altavista.com
Ask Jeeves http://www.aj.com
Internet Search Centre http://www.tka.co.uk/search/
All-In-One Search Page http://www.albany.net/allinone/
BIG Search Engine Index http://www.search-engine-index.co.uk/
Excite http://www.excite.com
FAST: All the Web http://www.alltheweb.com
IX Quick http://www.ixquick.com
Last Minute Search http://www.lastminutearch.com
Northern Light http://www.northernlight.com
Open Directory http://dmoz.org
Search Adobe PDF http://www.searchpdf.adobe.com
Search Engine Colossus (Comprehensive listing of worldwide searchengines, arranged by country and category) http://www.searchenginecolossus.com
Search IQ (Subject directory of search engines listed by category) http://www.searchiq.com/subjects
The Virtual Tourist http://www.vds.au/www/map.html
WebCrawler http://www.webcrawler.com
World Wide Web Virtual Library http://vlib.org

PAKISTAN Government



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Islamic Republic of Pakistan http://www.pak.gov.pk
Ministry of Finance http://www.finance.gov.pk/
Central Board of Revenue http://www.cbr.gov.pk/
Privatization Commission http://www.privatisation.gov.pk/
Board of Investment http://www.pakboi.gov.pk
Securities & Exchange Commission of Pakistan http://www.secp.gov.pk
Pakistan Law Commission http://www.paklawcom.gov.pk
Ministry of Science and Technology http://most.gov.pk/
Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources http://www.mpr.gov.pk
National Tariff Commission http://www.ntc.gov.pk
National Reconstruction Bureau http://www.nrb.gov.pk
National Accountability Bureau http://www.nab.gov.pk
National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) http://www.nadrapk.com
National Savings http://www.savings.gov.pk/

Information Technology

Information Technology Commission http://www.itcomm.gov.pk/
Pakistan Software Export Board http://www.pseb.org.pk
Pakistan Computer Bureau http://www.pcb.gov.pk

Trade

Pakistan Trade Office http://www.paktrade.org
Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce &



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Industry (FPCCI) http://www.fpcci.com/
Karachi Chamber of Commerce & Industry http://www.karachichamber.com
Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry http://www.lcci.org.pk
Export Promotion Bureau http://www.epb.gov.pk/
Export Processing Zones Authority Pakistan http://www.epza.com.pk/
Jamal's Yellow Pages http://www.jamals.com
Trade Index of Pakistan http://www.pakistanbiz.com

Financial Institutions

State Bank of Pakistan http://www.sbp.org.pk
National Bank of Pakistan http://www.nbp.com.pk
Habib Bank Limited http://www.habibbankltd.com/
Allied Bank Limited http://www.abl.com.pk
Muslim Commercial Bank http://www.mcb.com.pk
United Bank Limited http://www.ubl.com.pk

Stock Exchanges

Karachi Stock Exchange http://www.kse.com.pk
SAMEfn- South Asia Middle East Financial Network http://www.samefn.com/

News Media

Business Recorder http://www.brecorder.com
Dawn http://www.dawn.com



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Jang-Group of Newspapers http://www.jang.com.pk
Nawa-i-Waqt http://www.nawaiwaqt.com
Pak News http://www.paknews.com

Others

Explore Pakistan at Ajrak.com http://www.ajrak.com/pakistan
Karachi online http://www.apnakarachi.com
Pakiweb.net http://www.pakiweb.net
Pak Ranks http://www.pakranks.com
Pak.org http://www.pak.org
Pak Power Page - Anything and every Pakistani on the internet http://www.pakpowerpage.com
Pakistan Outlook http://www.classified.com.pk/links/
Quick Pakistan - your information gateway to Pakistan http://www.quickpakistan.com
Pak Search - The Database Company http://www.paksearch.com
Get Pakistan http://www.getpakistan.com
Contact Pakistan http://www.contactpakistan.com
Pakmart http://www.pakmart.com

OTHER INTERNATIONAL News Media

CNN http://www.cnn.com
BBC World http://www.bbcworld.com
BBC Online Homepage http://www.bbc.co.uk



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CNN Financial News

<http://www.cnnfn.com>

Financial Times

<http://news.ft.com/home/rw/>

Khaleej Times

<http://www.khaleejtimes.com/>

Stock Exchanges

Links to world stock exchanges (including Dow Jones, NASDAQ and Nikkei etc)

http://www.tdd.lt/s/news/Stock_Exchanges/Stock.Exchanges.html

Legal

Findlaw Internet Legal Resources

<http://www.findlaw.com/>

Cornell Law Library

<http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/library/default.htm>

Internet Law Library

<http://www.priweb.com/internetlawlib/52.htm>

Law Research

www.lawresearch.com

Indian Law

www.indlaw.com

International Law Directory - Indian Law Research

<http://www.lawresearch.com/v10/global/cinter5.htm>

Welcome to IndLaw.com

<http://www.indlaw.com/>

Indian Laws (including company law, tax laws etc.)

<http://iil.indiainfoline.com/lega/>

Others

World Bank Group

<http://www.worldbank.org>

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

<http://www.imf.org>

Bank for International Settlements

<http://www.bis.org>



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Central Banking