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## "GLOBALIZATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY"

When future historians sit down to define the times we live in, they will very likely refer to an 'information revolution" – much in the same way as the 19th and 20th centuries were shaped by the Industrial Revolution. Cellphones, teleconferencing, the Internet – all these Information and Communications Technologies – are rapidly becoming the essential utilities of our time. But how "public" are these utilities? Should the use of these technologies be regulated, and if so, how, and by whom? Should countries where people struggle for access to electricity and clean water invest in communications technology? In this edition of **World Chronicle**, these questions are explored in an interview with Guy-Olivier Segond, Special Ambassador for the World Summit on the Information Society.

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