

136 000 teachers will receive the C2i certificate in ICT

A graduation ceremony was held yesterday, Tuesday 24 November 2009, in Hammamet for the first group of teacher trainers who have obtained the certificate of information technology C2i under a partnership agreement between the ministry and Intel Corporation.

This event included a press conference dedicated to the presentation of the ministry's strategy in the field of educational technology, and to the cooperation program with Intel in the area of teacher training in ICT and the Web site that has been devoted to distance training within this program. The conference was followed by a certificates awarding ceremony under the supervision of Mr. Mohamed El Hédi Aissa, Chief of Staff to the Minister of Education and Training, and in the presence of Mr. Naceur Masrouki, the General Secretary, and a group of high executives from both the Ministry of Education and Training and Intel Corporation.

In a speech delivered, on behalf of the Minister, Mr. Mohamed El Hédi Aissa, the Chief of Staff, stressed the importance of integrating information and communication technologies in teaching and its role in improving the performance of the educational system. He noted that this trend is part of the strategies decided by His Excellency the President of the Republic for the Tunisia of tomorrow and which His Excellency electoral program outlined, especially at point 14, which bears the title "achieving an optimum use of ICTs in educational curricula."

Mr. Samir Chamma, General Manager of Intel Middle East, delivered a speech at the beginning of the ceremony in which he commended the cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Training and praised the efforts made by the ministry in the training of the trainers to obtain the ICT competency certificate as a preparation for the following step which consists in the training of school teachers.

At the end of the ceremony, certificates were distributed to those who graduated with honors.