Online consultation at the WSIS KC - Knowledge Communities

Summary of contributions made on the WSIS Knowledge Communities
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- [www.wsis-community.org](http://www.wsis-community.org)
- Launched at the WSIS Forum 2009 as UNESCO’s unique contribution to the WSIS outcomes implementation and reflecting UNESCO’s lead facilitating role.
- Over 2700 people have now joined the online platform
- Thematic: OA, OER, FOSS, WSIS.
- Planned communities: Memory of the World, Investigative Journalism
Cross-cutting issues

- ICT4D (MDGs, LDCs, poverty reduction)
- The role of ICT in public movement (improving citizens participation in political events taking Arab Spring as an example)
- ICTs and gender (political participation of women, capacity building for women)
- Digital divide and knowledge divide (about education and digital literacy issues rather than hardware and infrastructure)
- Measuring WSIS progress and achievement
- Mobile devices (potential for development and well-being)
- ICTs and disaster preparedness
Action Lines related

- **C1 The role of public governance authorities for ICT4D**
  - Governance (public access to Internet, access to public domain)

- **C3 Access**
  - Open Access (relates also to C7 E-science)
  - Accessibility (persons with disabilities, youth and elders)
  - Information literacy

- **C7 E-learning**
  - ICT and education (the quality of pedagogy, the code of ethics for e-learning contents, inclusion of universities in community learning/telecentres)
Action Lines related

• **C8 Cultural diversity and linguistic diversity**
  ✓ ICTs and Indigenous peoples

• **C9 Media**
  ✓ Freedom of expression and cyber crime
  ✓ Social networks, freedom of speech and cyber security

• **C11 International and regional cooperation**
  ✓ Multistakeholder collaboration and partnership (in particular the role of civil society)
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Thank you and look forward to your contribution.