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How would you define the stakeholder community or communities to which you belong? Intergovernmental organisation

Questions

1. What are your priorities for issues that should be addressed through the Internet Universality framework in each of these five categories?

Rights	Regulation to have right of expression
Openness	Transparent reporting by concerned authorities on Internet penetration percentage
Accessibility	Broadband everywhere regardless of location of living
Multistakeholder participation	All ministries combined under single consortium for providing Internet facility (Municipality, ICT, Infrastructure)
Cross-cutting indicators	Multiple ministries overlapping to provide the best connectivity solutions

2. Are there are any existing indicators with which you are familiar that you think it would be useful to include in the ROAM indicators framework?

Rights Human Rights Watch Indicators

Openness	Communication & transparency indicators by Ministry of Economy
Accessibility	Rural Population coverage percentage, Internet Penetration Indicator - Monitored by Telecom Regulatory Authority
Multistakeholder participation	Schools, Colleges, Government Institutions and public utilities providing internet access
Cross-cutting indicators	E-government initiatives, Digitalization Initiatives

3. What do you think are the most important gaps in data/evidence required for monitoring Internet Universality and the ROAM principles? What approaches do you think could help to address these in your country, region or area of work?

Rights	Forum for everyone to communicate and share information
Openness	Close working of all stakeholders in transparent way
Accessibility	Making basic infrastructure like Roads, Power etc. in all rural community
Multistakeholder participation	Other than ICT many other authorities are still in manual work methodology needing to automate and digitalize thereby adopting new technology
Cross-cutting indicators	All ministries combined under single consortium for providing Internet facility (Municipality, ICT, Infrastructure) to provide KPIs for joint development

4. What experience or views do you have of indicators relating to the Internet which are concerned with gender and with children and young people?

As internet usage involves literacy of children and young people as well as the Internet security, the indicators related to literacy rate and internet penetration with land use demographics will be helpful.

5. How do you think you might use the indicator framework for Internet Universality once it has been developed?

From telecom operator point of view, this indicator will help in identifying the improvement needed in connectivity and improvement areas for focused Roll-out of Internet services in rural areas.

6. How do you think that other stakeholders might use the framework?

As this indicator covers the ROAM framework, all stakeholders involved in Infrastructure, Legal, Communication, Education, e-Government etc. will be benefited by this indicator.

7. Please add any other comments that you think will be helpful to UNESCO in developing the indicators framework.

This should be a holistic approach covering all walks of life of people in order to prove the realistic indicator of the real world.

8. Please upload any documents that you think will be helpful here.				