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

Are there any suggestions that you wish to make in respect of the proposed themes, questions and indicators which are included in the framework as it stands?

Overall, Denmark finds the draft UNESCO Internet Universality Indicators both well-structured and comprehensive.

Denmark is however concerned about the use of indicators that are based on "beliefs and perceptions". We are of the opinion that it can be very difficult to validify the outcome from such indicators - this is among others of relevance to the indicators for the cross cutting issues B.3, E.3, and E.7.

We would also suggest not to have a separate set of indicators for inequality (4.A and B.). Instead one could refer the GINI factor, which we find very important, to the set of economic indicators. The gender equality index, which is also very important, could then be placed under the demographic indicators.

Denmark would prefer to insert an indicator about legal and regulatory mechanisms for the indicator B.3 under the Freedom of Expression chapter (on ex ante or ex post censorship).

Finally, Denmark would suggest to introduce an indicator measuring the level of inclusion of indigenous peoples.