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

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?

No. The themes, questions and indicators covered in the framework are exhaustive. In fact, many of them overlap.

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My suggestions concern many overlapping categories and themes, but my contributions centre majorly on Category A - "Accessibility to all", Theme E - "Local content and language", particularly,

Indicator E2 which states:

"Number of Wikipedia articles/words concerning the country, compared with other countries, including source (proportion generated in-country)".

I believe this should also stress Wikipedia content in local languages, as in currently gaining traction across Africa e.g. South African languages such as Xhosa. Interestingly, Ghana, the host country for this year's event has one of the more active Wikipedia communities. Cultural knowledge creation online is very crucial for the uptake of technology and for societal development and identity. Regarding Africa for instance, It is an open secret that many articles/content about African topics are authored by Wiki editors residing outside the continent, with implications for how Africa is perceived. However many initiatives from various actors are reshaping the reality on the ground. See for instance this conference https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Conference/Wikimedia_Community_Ghana/WikiIndaba_Conference_2016

Indicators E3 and E4 though addresses some of these concerns

What sources and means of verification would you recommend, from your experience, in relation to any of the questions and indicators that have been proposed?

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