

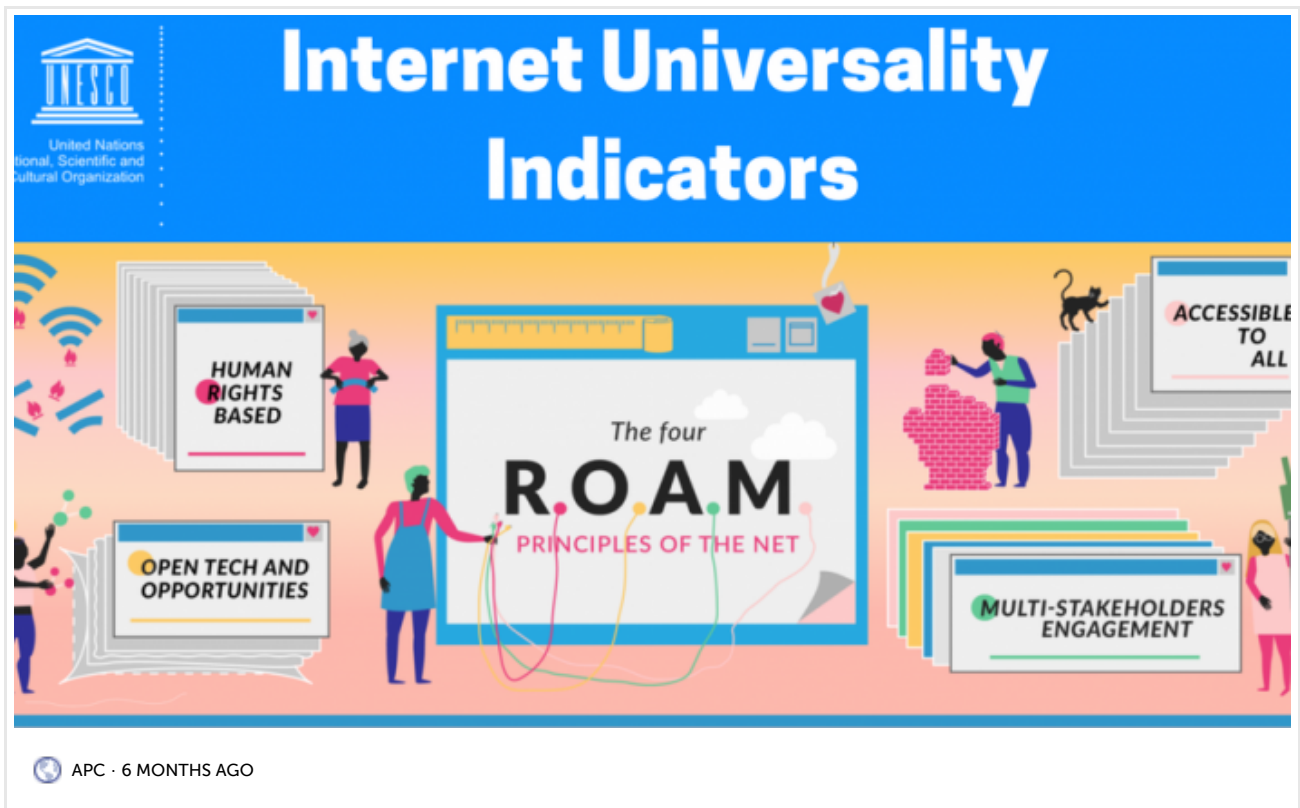
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# TWITTER-INTERVIEW ON INTERNET UNIVERSALITY INDICATORS

Internet Universality Indicators: what are they? how are they going to be used? Will they be able to influence policy? On 19 October, 2017, we discussed #InternetUniversality with @guyberger, director of freedom of expression of @UNESCO, in a Twitter-interview.

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In 2015, UNESCO put the concept of "Internet Universality" at the heart of its work to promote an internet that works for all. Internet Universality points to four fundamental norms that have been embodied in the broad evolution of the Internet and which provide a comprehensive way to understand how multiple different aspects are part of a wider whole.



In June 2017, UNESCO launched a year-long programme of consultation to develop a set of Internet Universality indicators, covering these four fundamental norms and the cross-currents between them. A framework of quantitative and qualitative indicators will be developed to help governments and other stakeholders to assess their own national internet environments, and to promote the values associated with Internet Universality. Special attention will be paid to gender and to the needs and interests of children and young people.

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Before we start the Twitter-interview with [@guyberger](#), check the [#InternetUniversality](#) website in 6 UN languages [en.unesco.org/internetuniver...](http://en.unesco.org/internetuniver...)

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**Internet Universality Indicators**  
The online consultation is now closed  
[en.unesco.org](http://en.unesco.org)

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Work on the project to define Internet Universality indicators is being led for UNESCO by the Association for Progressive Communications (APC) on behalf of the Internet Indicators Consortium, which includes, apart from APC, *ict* Development Associates, Research ICT Africa, LIRNEasia and DIRSI.



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@UNESCO

Are u ready? Use the hashtag [#InternetUniversality](#) &/or [@APC\\_news](#) [@guyberger](#) to join the interview! More information [on.unesco.org/2uYSXfZ](http://on.unesco.org/2uYSXfZ)

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"R – internet is based on h.Rights  
O – it is Open  
A – Accessible 2 all  
M – nurtured by Multistakeholder participation  
[#InternetUniversality](#)

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**Frederick Noronha**  
@fn

Replying to @RIAnetwork @guyberger  
Why just 'Open'. Why not Free?

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**Deborah Brown**

@deblebrown

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Free doesn't = open access to content, just some internet at no cost  
Access principle covers affordable/quality access

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No. Free as in freedom... Libre.

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Ahh, libre/freedom would be included in the R principle - that the internet is based on human Rights [#InternetUniversality](#)

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@NovaesEu

Is connectivity a human right? [#internetuniversality](#) [@guyberger](#)  
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**Guy Berger**

@guyberger

Replying to @NovaesEu @APC\_News

UNESCO's #Internetuniversality indicators wants ideas on what rights to cover. Is connectivity a right, or enabler?

[bit.ly/2u6uXHA](http://bit.ly/2u6uXHA)

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**Vanessa Charlot**

@van\_essence

Question: Can and should IU Indicators take into account the various cultural particularisms? #InternetUniversality

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**Guy Berger**

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NB that #internetindicators recognise both universal rights & issues, as well as cultural diversity, and not promote a homogenous Net

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[@guyberger](#) [#InternetUniversality](#) What about language diversity? ¿Qué podemos decir sobre diversidad lingüística?  
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**Guy Berger**  
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Language diversity makes a HUGE difference to the Accessibility of the Net; has to be assessed in [#internetuniversality](#) indicators

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**Frederick Noronha**  
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How do we go beyond words on this? A lot of smaller languages are still struggling

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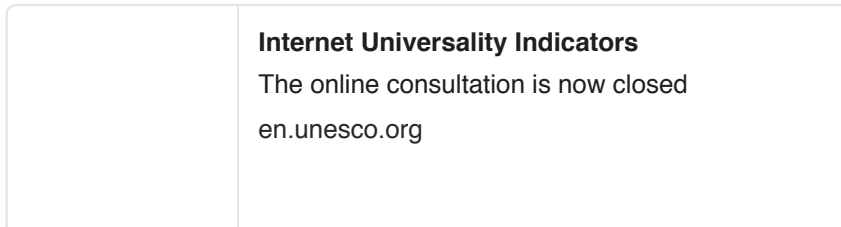
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**7amleh** حملة

@7amleh

#InternetUniversality aiming to ensure mainstreaming of people with disabilities: [bit.ly/2u6uXHA](http://bit.ly/2u6uXHA). @guyberger @APC\_News

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**Afri-queen**

@chenaichair

will #InternetUniversality indicators take into account offline perceptions towards the internet that hinder access?

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#### IN THE CONTEXT OF INCREASING CENSORSHIP

**Alison Meston**

@AlisonMeston

@APC\_News @guyberger Do you think social media networks censoring content is friend or foe for internet universality? #InternetUniversality [twitter.com/unescoNOW/stat...](https://twitter.com/unescoNOW/stat...)

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**Guy Berger**  
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Assessing online censorship should be an important part of the UNESCO [#internetindicators](#) [bit.ly/2u6uXHA](http://bit.ly/2u6uXHA)

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