IGF Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity (DC3)

2021 Report – *Call for Resources*

Sustainable Funding Models for Community Networks

Background:

The Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity (DC3) is a multistakeholder group established under the auspices of the [United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF)](#), dedicated to promoting the discussion on community networks (CNs). DC3 furthers analysis of how CNs may help create sustainable Internet connectivity while empowering Internet users.

Further information regarding DC3 and its outcomes (including books and reports) can be found on the [IGF website](#) as well as on www.comconnectivity.org. All DC3 reports are freely available under Creative Commons License.

Call:

DC3 invites all interested individuals to submit papers and essays, exploring how CN and alternative access models can be funded. Papers and essays will be compiled in the DC3 2021 report dedicate to Sustainable Funding Models for Community Networks

Papers and essays must be submitted by **20 September 2021** and explore relevant issues such as (but not limited to):

- Case studies of CN funding models
- Networks as commons and consequent funding challenges
- Use of cryptocurrencies to fund CNs
- Public funding of local networks
- Multistakeholder partnerships to fund CNs
- Use of Universal Access Funds to support CNs
- International partnerships and initiatives aimed at funding CNs
- CN scalability and financial sustainability strategies

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Submission Guidelines:

Papers and essays will be selected based on their pertinence to the suggested topic of interest. even if they have been previously published.

The length of the paper submissions should be between 2000 and 8000 words. Essays should be between 1200 and 2500 words. All submissions shall be in **English**. Authors shall use footnotes rather than endnotes and submission should be in **Microsoft Word or OpenDocument Text format**.

Submissions of papers and essays are due on **20 September 2021**. They should include the following elements:

- Title
- Short **abstract** highlighting key points of the paper or essay (maximum 200 words)
- First draft of the submitted paper or essay
- Use **footnotes** rather than endnotes
- References should be in **APA Style**
- Author's name, affiliation and short bibliographical note (in the body of the email)

Submissions must be sent to luca.belli@fgv.br using "**DC3 2021 Submission**" as an email object.

All submitted papers will be subject to peer review. Authors will be given the opportunity to improve their contributions based on the review.

Selected papers will be published into the DC3 Report, which will be published in open access, under Creative Commons licenses.

Authors will also be invited to present their work at the annual DC3 meeting to be held at the United Nations Internet Governance Forum, in December 2021, in an online format.

This call for resources was elaborated through an open process via the DC3 mailing list, which is open to all interested individuals.