IGF Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity (DC3)

2018 Report - Call for Resources

Background:

The Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity (DC3) is a multistakeholder group, part of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF), dedicated to promoting the discussion on community networks (CN). DC3 furthers analysis of how CNs may help create sustainable Internet connectivity while empowering Internet users. Further information regarding DC3 and its outcomes can be found on the IGF website as well as on www.comconnectivity.org

Previous DC3 reports, dedicated to Community networks: the Internet by the people, for the people (2017) and to Community Connectivity: Building the Internet from Scratch (2016), and to are freely available under Creative Commons License.

Call:

The Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity, established under the auspices of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum, invites all interested individuals to submit papers describing how CN can be deployed and presenting technologies, toolkits and instructions for the constructions of CNs.

Papers will be compiled into a Community Network Manual, to be considered as the official 2018 outcome of DC3.

Papers included in the Manual must be submitted by 5 August 2018 and provide concrete guidance on:

- What low cost hardware and infrastructure could be used to deploy a CN
- What software and applications could be used to run a CN
- How to install and configure hardware and software
- CN scalability and sustainability
- App and service generation within the CN ecosystem

Submission Guidelines:

Only papers providing instructions, guidance or describing concrete technological solutions will be considered for inclusion in the 2018 report, even if they have been previously published.

The length of the submissions should be between 2000 and 8000 words. To facilitate the reviewing process, papers should not include author names or other information that would help identify the authors. All submission shall be in English.
Authors shall use footnotes rather than endnotes and submission should be in Microsoft Word or OpenDocument Text format.

Submissions are due on 4 August 2018. They should include the following elements:

- Title
- Short abstract (250 words)
- First draft of the submitted paper
- 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 should be sent to luca.belli@fgv.br

Authors will be notified within approximately 7 days from the deadline as to the status of their contributions.

All submitted papers will be subject to peer review.

Authors will be given the opportunity to improve their contributions based on peer comments.

Selected papers will be published into the Community Network Manual, which will be published in open access, under Creative Commons licenses.

Authors will also be invited (at their own expenses) to present their work at the annual DC3 meeting to be held at the United Nations Internet Governance Forum, from 12 to 14 November 2018, at the UNESCO headquarter in Paris, France.