

**00:21:35**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you for joining our webinar on the Digital Divide! Please introduce yourselves here and ask questions for the speakers!

**00:22:09**      **Pierre Poulin:**      Thank you!

**00:23:24**      **Joan Katambi:**      thank you

**00:24:37**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Hi everyone - I'm Laurel, I'm from Washington, DC and work at World Learning. Would love to hear from you all as well!

**00:26:19**      **Néstor Boniche González:**      Morning, Greetings to all from Costa Rica, Central America. It's a pleasure be here with so many people concerned on inclusión, empowerment and reduction of the digital divide.

**00:26:32**      **Néstor Boniche González:**      My name is Nestor Boniche Gonzalez, a university professor and manager of digital literacy, inclusion and empowerment projects, especially for women in the field of technology. I work for the National Technical University of Costa Rica.

**00:26:39**      **Γιάννης Κοτζακιουλιάφης:**      Hello I am John from Thessaloniki Greece and I study journalism and mass media communication at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki .

**00:27:21**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you for joining Nestor and John!

**00:30:59**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you Valerie! Join Learn with Grandma - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LwGInternational>

**00:31:55**      **Néstor Boniche González:**      You're welcome Laurel. Thanks to you.  
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**00:31:58**      **Michael J. Oghia:**      A4AI does wonderful work! Highly encourage

**00:37:20**      **Celeste Lebowitz:**      Is there a way to have a copy of this wonderful PPT presentation full of data and information?

**00:37:42**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you Maiko! I know we all learned a lot from that presentation.

**00:45:25**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you Osama! It is amazing to have such a global panel to be able to hear so many perspectives.

**00:46:26**      **Steve Hose:**      Very interesting presentation.

**00:46:50**      **Michael J. Oghia:**      Meaningful connectivity is such an important concept, and A4AI has really been advocating for better policies that address it. See their research and resources on the topic at: <https://a4ai.org/meaningful-connectivity/>

**00:47:56**      **Lakyn Ausherman:**      If anyone has any questions for the panelists, please let us know here! We will touch on any questions following our last presentation!

**00:52:08**      **Laurel - World Learning:**      Thank you Joan! That was such an interesting perspective to include statistics about various demographics.

- 00:52:51**      **Joan Katambi:** welcome Laurel
- 00:53:18**      **Néstor Boniche González:** Thanks Joan! great lecture and work done in your country! Congratulations!
- 00:54:07**      **Joan Katambi:** Thanks @Nestor
- 01:06:21**      **Nicole Rouhani:** Does the digital divide play a role in the spread of misinformation online? What skills need to be developed to help navigate misinformation online?
- 01:06:35**      **Γιάννης Κοτζακιουλάφης:** Do you think the digital divide will continue to grow if not tackled soon ?
- 01:07:22**      **Dimitris Theologidis:** Hello. Which are the consequences of digital gap in social/financial inequalities ?
- 01:07:50**      **Artemis Matzari:** the pandemic has shown us that we are adaptable but I still think, we sometimes fail to prepare for those situations, thinking they will never happen. what actions can we take now to provide information on new technologies and make them affordable for future crisis?
- 01:14:40**      **Maiko Nakagaki:** We did a research on the impact of social media tax that Joan mentioned <https://a4ai.org/research/who-wins-who-loses-understanding-womens-experiences-of-social-media-taxation-in-east-and-southern-africa/>
- 01:14:51**      **Michael J. Oghia:** I have quite a few resources to add as well.
- 01:14:53**      **Michael J. Oghia:** COVID-19 impact on journalism and news media, and it's relationship to access to information
1. Overview of the economic impacts of journalism and news media – <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CMjxGRAn6euOnhE0cXrNMQQHyij4PSkbQdpkUk87Kzs/edit?usp=sharing>
  2. ICFJ survey of journalism during the pandemic – <https://www.icfj.org/our-work/journalism-and-pandemic-survey>
  3. Reuters Institute survey of how COVID-19 has impacted the sustainability of journalism and news media – <https://reutersinstitute.politics.ox.ac.uk/few-winners-many-losers-covid-19-pandemics-dramatic-and-unequal-impact-independent-news-media>
  4. GFMD's joint emergency appeal for journalism and media support, which includes numerous recommendations for stakeholders across sectors, including one on the digital divide – <https://gfmf.info/emergency-appeal-for-journalism-and-media-support-2/>
- 01:15:38**      **Michael J. Oghia:** Sustainable access
1. An essay on the interconnectedness between digital policy, access to information, and sustainability – <https://branch.climateaction.tech/2020/10/05/interconnected-sustainability-on-the-agenda/>

2. Chapter on sustainable access and community networks –

<https://bibliotecadigital.fgv.br/dspace/bitstream/handle/10438/19401/Community%20networks%20-%20the%20Internet%20by%20the%20people%2c%20for%20the%20people.pdf?sequence=1&isAllowed=y>

**01:15:46 Michael J. Oghia:** 3. Report from a workshop held on 9 November at IGF 2020 focusing on community networks, electricity and digital inclusion – [https://dig.watch/resources/igf-2020-ws-37-community-network-electricity-and-digital-inclusion?utm\\_source=DiploMail&utm\\_campaign=92856fd368-igf2020\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_4510155485-92856fd368-120275600](https://dig.watch/resources/igf-2020-ws-37-community-network-electricity-and-digital-inclusion?utm_source=DiploMail&utm_campaign=92856fd368-igf2020_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4510155485-92856fd368-120275600)

4. IGF 2020 press release calling for bridging digital divides, harnessing the Internet to support human resilience and build solidarity amid COVID-19 –

<https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/blog/2020/11/internet-governance-forum-calls-for-bridging-digital-divides-harnessing-the-internet-to-support-human-resilience-and-build-solidarity-amid-covid-19/>

**01:18:10 Osama Manzar:** Is it possible to share these chat content shared o email or WhatsApp?

**01:18:59 Celeste Lebowitz:** I agree... My papa never wanted to use a cellphone and only started when my mama passed in 2003 -- for my mama loved using a cellphone to send us short text messages while we/ her kids were at work. (from the Philippines)

**01:19:08 Lakyn Ausherman:** Yes Osama I can share the chat content and the links in our follow up email!

**01:19:21 Pierre Poulin:** Is there a Twitter # for this conference ?

**01:20:19 Osama Manzar:**rteat

**01:20:30 Osama Manzar:**Great

**01:22:57 Pierre Poulin:** Schools are rarely prepared for anything... they react but not good at preventing...

**01:24:15 Joan Katambi:** your right Pierre

**01:27:26 Valerie Wood-Gaiger:** Pierre = as I missed your presentation please send to me xx

**01:28:13 Osama Manzar:**Lakyn may I take excuse as I have another call to hop into...?

**01:28:24 Pierre Poulin:** To see pictures about 20 years of ApprentissÂGE Learn With Elders <https://ppoulin.jimdo.com/apprentissâge/>

**01:28:33 Ninon Louise LePage:** It is also a personal position. How to use the technology to respond to our need, not be dominated by the technology. Learning to keep our indépendance, be able to say NO

**01:28:39 Lakyn Ausherman:** Yes, absolutely! Osama, if you want to say any final comments, please feel free!

**01:29:03** **Osama Manzar:**I have spoken enough :)

**01:29:30** **Valerie Wood-Gaiger:** Pierre please send me that link

**01:29:36** **Ninon Louise LePage:** lovely to hear you, Osama

**01:29:36** **Maria Artemis Matzari:** thank you so much for your insights!

**01:29:41** **Celeste Lebowitz:** Sharing -- <https://gdc.unicef.org/resource/gdc-global-youth-webinar>

**01:36:29** **Joan Katambi:** am happy too

**01:36:36** **Pierre Poulin:** Merci beaucoup for this wonderful opportunity :-)

**01:36:43** **Ninon Louise LePage:** thank you to all

**01:38:04** **Joan Katambi:** twitter @kjoanhope, facebook: Katambi Joan Jojo, LinkedIn: Joan Katambi. I would love to connect with you.

**01:38:57** **Ninon Louise LePage:** Pierre Poulin, ApprentisÂge project had linked his students to elderly people of his neighborhood and have the youths teach the elderly how to use the technology. it has been a great project to gap the digital divide at

**01:39:21** **Ninon Louise LePage:** ... the beginners level.

**01:39:40** **Pierre Poulin:** Twitter @ppoulin

**01:40:43** **Ninon Louise LePage:** Yes, independent journalism is more and more essential

**01:40:55** **Nicole Rouhani:** Thank you for your insights, Michael!

**01:41:11** **Joan Katambi:** thanks Micheal

**01:41:32** **Ninon Louise LePage:** a lot of work ahead of us

**01:41:32** **Michael J. Oghia:** My pleasure :-)) and please feel free to follow-up with me at any time: @mikeoghia

**01:42:11** **Michael J. Oghia:** You can find many digital media literacy and bias resources here: <https://gfmf.info/internet-governance/>

**01:42:56** **Maiko Nakagaki:** Please follow our work at [www.a4ai.org](http://www.a4ai.org) or @A4A\_Internet

**01:43:04** **Ninon Louise LePage:** not easy to spot fake news, we have to educate the growing generation to have a critical mind. Not easy

**01:43:27** **Γιάννης Κοτζακιουλάφης:** Thanks for organising this informative meeting

**01:43:50** **Renée Richard:** thank you so much I appreciated a lot

**01:43:57** **Maiko Nakagaki:** thank you all!

**01:44:11** **Michael J. Oghia:** Really a pleasure all, please don't hesitate to reach out at any time

**01:44:12**      **Joan Katambi:** great work from the Team and thanks all

**01:44:13**      **Ninon Louise LePage:** Nice to « see » you again Valerie - we met in Paris at UNESCO many years ago

**01:44:30**      **Ninon Louise LePage:** bye