

Proposal Title: Regional FOSS Movement from Talk to action

Summary: The regional and national ICT agendas have identified FOSS as important. There is no stage is to show deployment and uptake to achieve the benefits

Activities	Actors	Sustainability (human and financial resources)	Other Needs	Potential Benefits
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Highlight challenges 2. Deal with perceptions 3. Identify practices in organising communities of interest, applications in telecentres, GIS, etc 4. Encourage CIVIC use of FOSS.. drupal, dimdim 5. Mobilise for ICT sector use 6. Reviewing the selection process for ICT solutions from big donors and funders eg Govt, development banks 7. 	<p>CIVIC members who know about OS</p> <p>CIVIC members in the private and public sectors who are cautious about OS</p>	<p>Human Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advocates and users who are willing to implement - Expertise from the region (challenge, some techies do not like to blah blah blah..) <p>Financial resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Money needed to research the best practices and lessons learnt 	<p>Facilitation of a dialogue between the interest community and the users to raise awareness</p> <p>Development of business strategies which could work</p>	<p>Reviewing cost model for ICT use;</p> <p>Building regional capacity for independent users</p> <p>Growth of human capacity within the private sector who provide ICT services</p>