





Communities in all areas can benefit from access to the internet, through cell phones or computers, and this must be viewed as critical infrastructure for development.

Most importantly, there needs to be a sustained effort to include indigenous groups in the work of the UN, as these groups are often not represented in the composition and decision making of their own national governments. As key agents of change and innovative solutions to local problems, the UN must do more to include such communities in policy discussions.

It is also important to expand the involvement of civil society, undertaking a comprehensive restructuring of civil society engagement within the UN framework that elevates key representatives to observer status across diverse UN bodies.

We also support the advancement of current proposals to appoint a high-level UN Civil Society Envoy, whose pivotal role would involve facilitating focal point coordination and establishing best practices to elevate civil society involvement throughout the UN system.