

## Submission # 59

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**How would you define the stakeholder community or communities to which you belong?**

Civil society

**Are there any suggestions that you wish to make in respect of the proposed themes, questions and indicators which are included in the framework as it stands?**

Yes, I'm very much concerned for the Access to information issue in my country (Colombia) -and in many other countries- although we have a law for Access to information, the information can only be found or retrieved if we get to know or guess which institution and where in its web page may we find the produced needed information.

So really we don't have real access to information for Google which might be the standard or default more used tool to retrieve information but clearly Google will never bring us in the first two pages the information lying in internal government web pages.

The Access to Information law has been applied in our country obligating the governments to publish the information in their web pages but with minimum rules to facilitate its retrieval..

So what is it about promoting access to information?

The governments should promote the development of other tools to help find the information produced not only by their institutions but also of civil society producing local information.