

# Submission # 71

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

Government

**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?**

Data encryption is a challenging theme since governments have import and export restrictions in that area. Also we note that open source-software is seldom free of charge.

**What sources and means of verification would you recommend, from your experience, in relation to any of the questions and indicators that have been proposed?**

The measuring in general might prove difficult. Variance globally is huge. Cultural, ideologist differences and geographical locations have an impact that is hard to measure. Data needs to be easily collected from local authorities. Multistakeholder participation requires a study how governance and participation has been organized. On cross cutting indicators most data is easy to collect because it exists already and is being collected systematically. There is also a challenge to measure the volume of Internet traffic nationally. For example, in the EU the traffic is controlled by four major traffic control centers and they easily distort the indicators concerning national traffic volumes.