

Telecentre Forum – eAsia 2009

Agenda

Track Chair: Mr. Harsha Wijewardana, University of Colombo School of Computing, Sri Lanka

Track Coordinator: Mrs. Dil Piyaratna, Program Head, ICTA, Sri Lanka

3 December 2009 (Day2)- Session 1

08:30 – 10:15

Inaugural session of Telecentre Forum

Session Theme: Telecentres and their role in socio-economic empowerment

- Chair:** Dr. Basheerhamad Shadrach, Lead, telecentre.org Academy, International Development Research Centre, India- 10 min
- Key note:** Prof. V.N Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Open University, India – “The role of academia in spreading the knowledge movement” – 15 min
- Speakers:** Prof. Kshanika Hirimburegama, Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka – “The role of telecentres in reviving a knowledge-based agrarian society”- 15 min
- Mr Tim Dubel, Director of Global Programs, Community Affairs, Microsoft Corporation, USA– “Telecentres for the socio-economic growth of the emerging markets” – 15 min

10:15 – 10:35 **Tea Break**

3 December 2009 (Day2)- Session 2 (Special)

10:35 – 11:35

Session Theme: Technical paper Presentation I: Current status and future of Global Telecentre movement

Chair: Ms. Aminata Maiga Fofana, President, Afriklinks GIE, Mali – the role of telecentre.org 2.0 in the future of telecentre movement - 10 min

Paper presenters:

1. “Understanding Sustainability of telecentres; The Egyptian experience (IT Clubs)”- Mr. Karim Kasim and Ms. Purvi Shah – 7 min
2. “Making Localisation Effective: User Guides and Training”, Prof. Gihan Dias and Dr. Sanath Jayasena, Dept of Computer Science & Engineering, University of Moratuwa – 7 min
3. “Analysis of factors affecting the effectiveness of telecentres of Sri Lanka”- Mr. L N A C Jayawardena and Mr. A D S Gunasekera- 7 min
4. “The case of ARBAN Rural IT Center- not an evolution, but a revolution in silence”- Mr. Syed Kamrul Hasan- 7 min
5. “Up scaling and Replication? 150 Experiences” – Mr. Niranjana Meegammana- 7 min

3 December 2009 (Day2)- Session 3

11:45 – 13:15

Session Theme: The Asian Telecentre Movement: The role of networks and their future

Chair: Mr. Reshan Dewapura, Chief Operating Officer, Information and Communication Technology Agency, Sri Lanka - 10 min

Key note 1: Mr. Lalith Weeratunga, Secretary to H.E, President of Sri Lanka – 20 min

Key note 2: Dr. Xuan Zengpei, Director, Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific- 20 min

Speakers: Mr. Srinivas S Tadigadapa, World Head Program Manager for South Asia, APAC, Intel, Singapore - 7min

Mr. Meddie Mayanja, telecentre.org, International Development Research Centre, Canada – 7 min

Ms. Dil Piyaratna, Asia Pacific Telecentre Network, Program Head, Information and Communication Technology Agency, Sri Lanka- 7 min

Q & A – 15 minutes

13:15 – 14:15

Lunch

3 December 2009 (Day2)- Session 4 (Special)

14:15 – 15:45

Session Theme: Impact of Mobile Telephony on Telecentres

Chair: Ms. Tenzin Norbhu, Senior ICT Policy Specialist World Bank-10 min

Key note: Mr. Priyantha Kariyapperuma, Director General, Telecom Regulatory Commission, Sri Lanka- 10 min

Speakers: Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, d.Net, Bangladesh – 7 min

Ms. Rufina Fernandez, Chief Executive Officer, Nasscom Foundation, India- 7 min

Dr Simon Batchelor, President, Gamos Ltd., UK.- 7 min

Dr Harsha Liyanage, Managing Director, Sarvodaya – Fusion, Sri Lanka- 7 min

Q & A – 15 minutes

15:45 – 16:15 Tea Break

3 December 2009 (Day2)- Session 5 (Special)

16:15 – 17:30

Session Theme: Technical paper presentation – II : New trends and Innovations in Technology for Telecentres

Chair: Dr. Ram Tiwaree, Information Technology Officer, Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Thailand -10 min

Paper presenters:

1. Telecenters through Wireless Technology near a Base camp of Mt. Everest of Nepal – Mr.Bimal Acharya- Nepal – 7 min
2. Greener and Affordable telecenters – Mr. Danny Nagdev and Mr. Ashutosh Sharma, India – 7 min
3. Community Empowerment through ICTs: Evidences from Grassroots in Bangladesh - Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, d.Net, Bangladesh – 7 min
4. Empowering women through ICT education: An Application of Gender Evaluation Methodology – Fatema Begum Labony, Research Associate, D.Net (Development Research Network), Bangladesh – 7 min

End of Day 2

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4 December 2009 - (Day 3) Session 6

08:45 – 10:15

Session Theme: Building Capacity among telecentre operators for sustaining telecentres

Chair: Dr. Latha Pillai, Pro Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Open University, India – 10 min

Key note: Dr. Basheerhamad Shadrach, Lead, telecentre.org Academy, International Development Research Centre, India- 10 min

Speakers: Mr. Jose Avando Sales, Director General-Association of Telecentre Network, Brazil- 7 min

Mr. Harsha Wijeyawardhana, University of Colombo School of Computing, Sri Lanka – 7 min

Dr. Kamolrat Intaratat, Director, Thaitelecentre.org Academy, Thailand- 7 min

Mr. Ashis Sanyal, Sr. Technical Director, Department of Information Technology, India – 7 min

Q & A – 15 minutes

10:15 – 10:35 **Tea Break**

4 December 2009 - (Day 3) Session 7 (Special)

10:35 – 11:35

Session Topic: **Technical paper presentation – III: Case studies of Innovative Applications and Practitioners of the Global Telecentre Movement**

Chair: Mr Mahmud Hassan, Chief Operating Officer, Bangladesh Telecentre Network, Bangladesh – 10 min

Speaker: BPO and Telecentres – Timex BPO – 12 min

Papers selected:

1. Telecenters through Community Based Organisations (CBOs) - Mr. Raman V. Machiraju & Ms. Nalini Raghuraman, India – 7 min

2. Decent Work in ICT sector-An Indian Case - Mr. Balwant Singh Mehta & Ms. Nidhi Mehta – 7 min
3. Koslanda Nanasala: Challenges and Achievements - Mr. Patrick Harrigan & Mr. S. Srikanth – 7 min
4. Srilankajobs.net – Ms. M.A Pemalatha, Mr. Bimal Prasad, Sri Lanka- 7 min
5. ICT for SMEs – Mrs. Rehab Yehia, ICT for SMEs Project Manager , ICT Trust Fund, Egypt – 7 min

4 December 2009 - (Day 3) Session 8

11:45 – 13:15

Session Topic: Empowering Telecentres with appropriate content and services for the next Five years

Chair: Mr Juddha Gurung, Member-Secretary, High Level Commission on Information Technology, Nepal – 10 min

Key note: Mr. Dinesh Tyagi, Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services, India – 10 min

Speakers: Mr. Allen Tuladhar, Chairman, Forum on Information Technology, Nepal- 7 min

Mr. Vignesh Sornamohan, Controller, Drishtee Inc, India- 7 min

Dr. Angelo Juan Ramos, Chairman, PhilCeCNet Philippines- 7 min

Q & A – 15 minutes

13:15 – 14:15

Lunch

4 December 2009 - (Day 3) Session 8 - Closing Session of the Telecentre Forum

14:15 – 15:45

Session Theme: The Global telecentre movement and their lessons for Asia

Chair: Mr. Sriyan de Silva Wijeratne, Microsoft, Sri Lanka – 10 min

Key note: Mr. Florencio Cebellos, telecentre.org, International Development Research Centre, Canada – 10 min

Speakers: Mr. Sherif el Tokali, telecentre networks in the Middle East and North Africa, UNDP, Egypt – 7 min

Ms. Tess Camba, Director, Field Operations, National Computing Centre, Philippines – 7 min

Dr. Ravi Gupta, Executive Director, CSDMS, telecentre magazine – 7 min

Q & A – 15 minutes

Mr. Reshan Dewapura, COO, ICTA. Closing Remarks of Telecentre Forum – 5 minutes

15:45 – 16:15

Tea Break

16:15 – 17:30

Closing Session – eAsia (Main Hall)