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BACKGROUND ON SVP:

Recognizing the value of the contributions made by social actors to the Summits Process, the Summits of the Americas Secretariat (SAS), in collaboration with the OAS Department of Human Development (DHD) (through the Educational Portal of the Americas) and with support from the Institute for Connectivity in the Americas (ICA)/International Development Research Centre (IDRC), launched the Summits of the Americas Virtual Platform (SVP). This initiative seeks to expand the spaces for participation by social actors in the Summits Process through the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs).

In preparation for the Fifth Summit (Trinidad & Tobago, April 17 to 19, 2009) the SVP played an instrumental role in broadening opportunities for participation in the Summits of the Americas Process. Through online fora and other communication tools, complemented with access to Summit-related materials, document drafts and other resources, the SVP fostered a more robust and inclusive dialogue with social actors and other Summit stakeholders on key Summit-related themes and priority areas.

Virtual fora were held in each of the thematic priorities of the *Draft Declaration of Commitment of Port of Spain*. The main results and recommendations of each forum were posted on-line and distributed to OAS Member States and National Coordinators in preparation for meetings of the Summit Implementation Review Group (SIRG), in the framework of which the text of the Declaration was negotiated; likewise, the reports were distributed in other Summit-related activities.

INITIAL PHASE: Pre-Fifth Summit of the Americas Virtual Consultation process

The SVP was launched on September 8th, 2008. The first forum, “Introduction to the Summits of the Americas Process” remained active throughout the consultation process to allow users to become familiar with the Summits process and facilitate participation in the thematic fora. The Summit Secretariat team served as the moderator for this forum as to answer related questions and facilitate ongoing dialogue.

At the end of the Pre-Fifth Summit virtual consultation process (February, 2009), the SVP had 763 registered users, and had conducted five virtual thematic fora, focused on the following main themes of the Draft Declaration of Commitment: Human Prosperity, Energy Security, Environmental Sustainability, Public Security and Democratic Governance and a final one on Gender in collaboration with the OAS Inter-American Commission on Women (CIM). In all cases, two parallel discussions were set-up, one in English and one in Spanish.

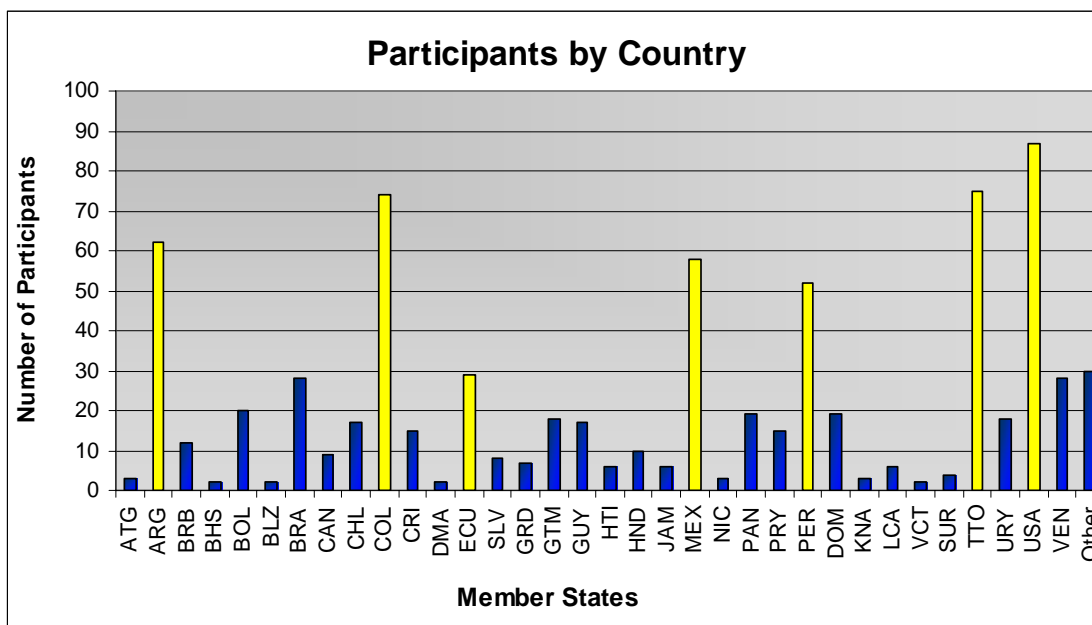
BASELINE INFORMATION OF SVP USERS:

The Summits of the Americas Secretariat developed a brief user survey to complement the information provided through the registration form in order to gather base-line data of the type of users that register in the Summits Virtual Platform (SVP). It is worth noting that as a source of base-line information, this initial SVP user survey was sent to all participants upon registration in the virtual platform, thus most responses are from persons who had yet to access and participate in the fora.

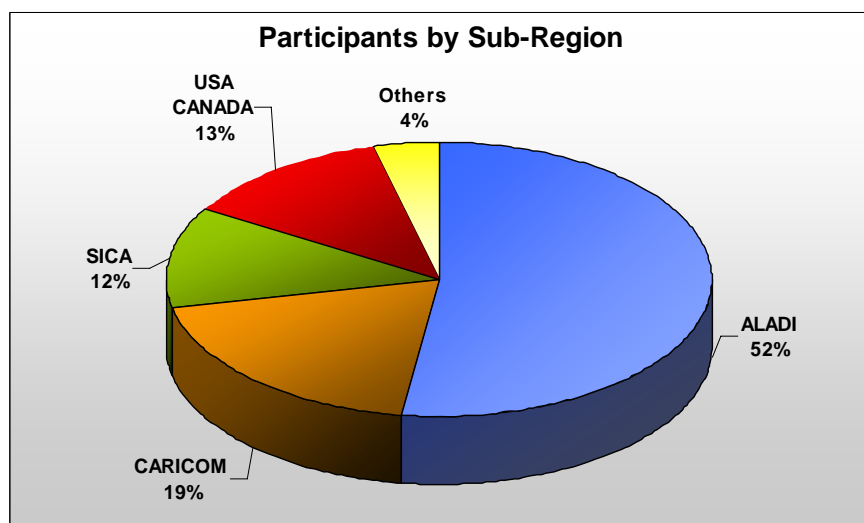
GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF SVP USERS:

Based on information provided through the registration form and the abovementioned user survey, the following characteristics may be interpreted of the current 763 registered users of the SVP.

General Information: The 34 OAS member States are represented by the 763 SVP registered users. Noteworthy is the participation of the United States, Trinidad and Tobago, Colombia, Argentina, Mexico, Peru and Ecuador (in that order).



* Source: SVP registration form



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**See footnote for information on sub-regional divisions¹.

Registered users are mainly from countries represented in ALADI (predominantly Colombia, Peru and Argentina), and CARICOM (predominantly Trinidad & Tobago). The level of participation from the United States is also highlighted.

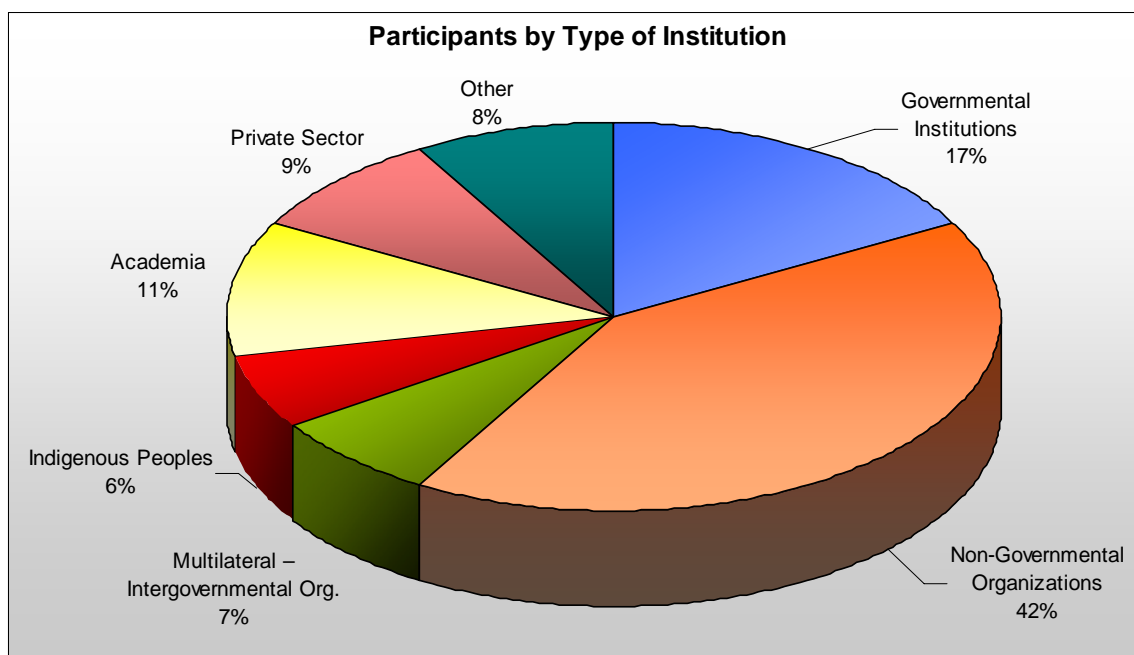
Other countries include Germany, Spain, Australia, United Kingdom, and Netherlands Antilles.

¹ **ALADI:** Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Cuba (N/A), Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela. Source: aladi.org/

CARICOM: Antigua and Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat (N/A), Saint Lucia, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago. Source: caricom.org/

SICA: Belize (N/A), Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama. Source: sica.int/

*To avoid redundancy, Belize has only been included in CARICOM, not in SICA.



*Source: SVP User Survey

Participation by type of institutions has been predominantly representatives of Non Governmental Organizations (42%), Governmental Institutions (17%) and Academia (11%). Less represented is the private sector (9%), Inter-Governmental Organizations (7%) and Indigenous Peoples (6%).

Gender: The gender division of the group is mostly equal between female and male, with a small female prevalence.	
Answer Options	Response Percent
Female	54.1%
Male	45.9%
<i>answered question</i> 196	

Age Group: The participants' age group is predominantly adults, whose age ranges from 35 to 65, (68.4%), followed by young adults, from 18 to 34 (25.3%).	
Answer Options	Response Percent
17 and under	1.1%
18 to 34	25.3%
35 to 65	68.4%
66 and over	5.3%
<i>answered question</i> 190	

Information Related to the Summit Process:

In addition to the general characteristics identified, the answers to the survey questions provide information that will facilitate assessing the impact that the SVP will have in civil society understanding and participation in the Summits Process.

1. Most of the participants that answered the survey had not previously participated in the Summits Process.

Have you ever participated in the Summits of the Americas Process?	
Answer Options	Response Percent
Yes (go to next question)	36.9%
No (skip next question)	63.1%
<i>answered question</i>	
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2. The most common method of participation is as an OAS Registered Civil Society Organization (35.6%) and by attending meetings of the OAS General Assembly and/or the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) (13.6%) Other methods mentioned include Interns, YABT Meetings and Civil Society Networks. Registered users, who did not participate before, frequently mentioned that they were not aware of the mechanisms in place for Civil Society participation and that they were not sure what the Summits of the Americas Process is.

If your answer to the previous question is YES, how did you participate?	
Answer Options	Response Percent
Attended Summit of the Americas	13.6%
As institutional partner of the Joint Summit Working Group	5.1%
Attended Summit Implementation Review Group Meeting	11.0%
As an OAS Registered Civil Society Organization	35.6%
Attended OAS General Assembly and/or Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) Meetings	13.6%
In the framework of an established Cooperation Agreement with the OAS	2.5%
Other (please specify)	18.6%
<i>answered question</i>	
118	

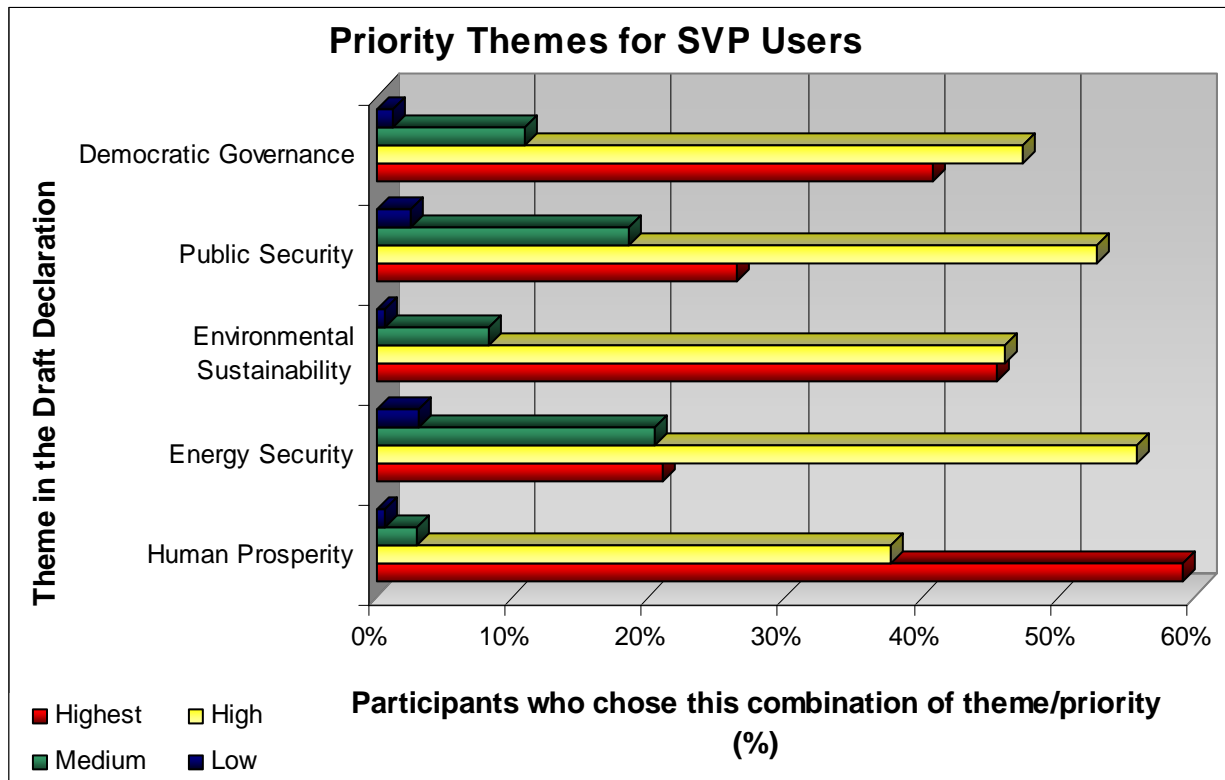
If your answer to the previous question is NO, which of these options best explains why?	
Answer Options	Response Percent
Not sure what the Summits of the Americas Process is	21.4%
Was not aware of the mechanisms in place for Civil Society participation	53.1%
Mechanisms in place are too time-demanding	5.5%
Mechanisms in place are too expensive	7.6%
Other (please specify)	12.4%
<i>answered question</i>	
145	

3. When asked to rate the level of priority of the main themes addressed in the Draft Declaration, participants highlighted Human Prosperity, Environmental Sustainability and Democratic Governance as the highest priorities for the region. As for the level of interest to participate in consultations on these themes, the same themes were prevalent.

Please review the following themes, which are addressed in the Draft Declaration of Commitment of the Fifth Summit of the Americas. Please tell us which themes you believe to hold the greatest level of priority for the region, and rate your level of interest to participate in each thematic consultation.

Priority of each theme for the Region				
Answer Options	Highest	High	Medium	Low
Human Prosperity	59%	38%	3%	1%
Energy Security	21%	56%	20%	3%
Environmental Sustainability	45%	46%	8%	1%
Public Security	26%	53%	18%	2%
Democratic Governance	41%	47%	11%	1%
<i>answered question</i>				119
Rate your interest to participate in consultations on each theme				
Answer Options	Very Interested	Interested	Curious	Not Interested
Human Prosperity	65%	28%	5%	2%
Energy Security	23%	36%	34%	8%
Environmental Sustainability	49%	36%	13%	3%
Public Security	29%	41%	20%	10%
Democratic Governance	51%	29%	15%	5%
<i>answered question</i>				145

Seldom did participants rate as a 'low priority' any of the themes in the Draft Declaration.



*Source: SVP User Survey

4. In addition, some comments were made as to several priorities that were considered to be wrongly ignored in the Draft Declaration. It should be noted that some of the comments may be attributed to the broadness of the theme ‘Human Prosperity’, as most of them relate to ‘sub-themes’ that are in fact addressed within the framework of this theme.

Noteworthy is the repeated mention of education, equity – particularly for indigenous peoples, afro-descendents and persons with disabilities – as well as trade and economic growth and ICTs/knowledge-based society. Comments are attached bellow in their original language.

Do you consider that a priority for the region is not being addressed in the Draft Declaration?, if so, which one?	
Date	Original Text (English)
09/16/08 10:07:00	No
09/17/08 14:04:00	Environmental Sustainability, we are quite good at reaction - but prevention is missing
09/17/08 14:23:00	Human Prosperity does that indicate human rights and especially disabled women and children
09/17/08 14:50:00	Youth Development and Empowerment More Active Role of NGOs in the OAS Activities
09/17/08 15:53:00	Regional Economic Integration FTAA Terrorism Migrations
09/17/08 16:44:00	Knowledge-based society
09/17/08 18:05:00	Advertising, Human Rights Abuse, Propaganda
09/17/08 18:17:00	I would have to familiarize myself more with contents of Draft Declaration.
09/17/08 21:49:00	Gender issues
09/18/08 14:50:00	Poverty
09/18/08 15:29:00	Human rights protection
09/19/08 07:26:00	Educational cooperation
09/25/08 21:00:00	International Trade Policies and Treaties.
10/01/08 19:49:00	Sustainable Development is most important to me as it cuts across every other area, poverty, health, economics, agriculture, transport, safety, and the value placed by our democratic governments.
10/01/08 23:37:00	The role of Youth in today’s society and Food Security
10/02/08 21:41:00	Food Security
10/03/08 01:06:00	Education, the best indicator for prosperity, peace, health
10/05/08 17:11:00	free movement of persons in the region
10/07/08 13:20:00	Too many priorities already addressed in the DD

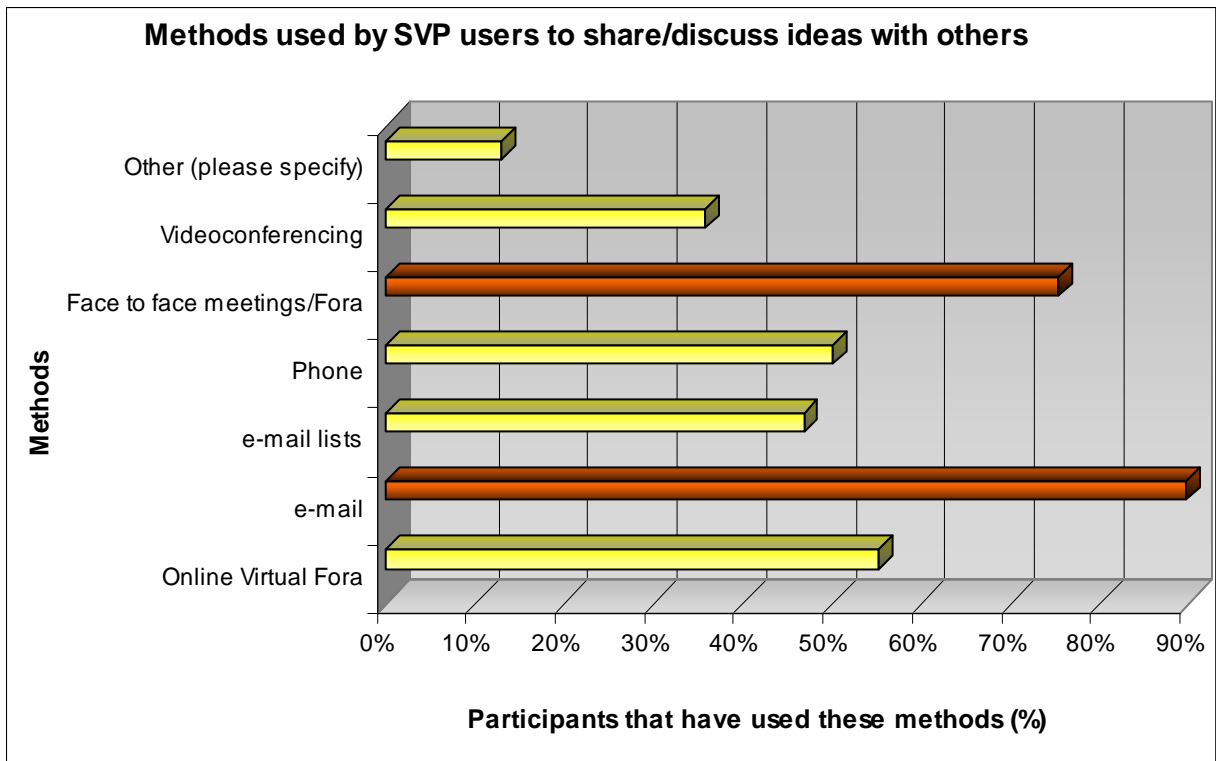
10/10/08 00:57:00	Tourism
10/30/08 23:27:00	No
11/20/08 01:45:00	In one way or another all of these themes have been addressed in the declaration by the instructions given to the relevant authorities. However, I seemed to have missed the sanctions that will motivate (compel) leaders to be true to their word
11/25/08 13:22:00	Perhaps Health and a greater emphasis on education
Date	Original Text (Spanish)
09/17/08 02:36:00	TICs
09/17/08 15:49:00	Cohesión Social, Paz Social y Unidad en Diversidad.
09/17/08 16:54:00	Sim, acredito que o tema sobre discriminação étnico-racial e racismo ainda não parece ocupar a atenção necessária do Proyecto de Declaración. Penso, salvo engano, que esses assuntos demandam atenção e zelo e deveriam estar mais presente nas agendas políticas dos países das Américas, principalmente, reconhecendo com importante marco contemporâneo as resoluções da III Conferência Mundial das Nações Unidas, ocorrida em Durban, Africa do Sul, em 2001. e os seus desdobramentos nas Américas. Obrigado. José Nilton de Almeida
09/17/08 21:12:00	Derechos Humanos, equidad, paridad, y género
09/17/08 21:24:00	La intervención extranjera en las realidades locales de cada país latinoamericano
09/17/08 21:54:00	Seguridad alimentaria
09/17/08 22:24:00	Desarrollo socio-económico, Responsabilidad Social Empresarial.
09/18/08 20:12:00	Desarrollo Empresarial sostenible
09/18/08 23:19:00	Inequidad y pobreza
09/19/08 04:19:00	No
09/19/08 16:28:00	Desarrollo económico
09/19/08 17:56:00	La Actuación de la OEA para el Desarrollo de las Poblaciones Afrodescendientes de las Américas
09/22/08 05:25:00	La perspectiva de personas con discapacidad como colectivo en riesgo y alta vulnerabilidad
09/22/08 05:27:00	Droga-dependencia
09/22/08 16:42:00	Direitos humanos e população afrodescendente e participação da sociedade civil
09/26/08 03:32:00	Insistir en la importancia del desarrollo de las empresas de menor tamaño, confines de mayores oportunidades de negocios y empleo.
09/30/08 16:31:00	Integración, interculturalidad y diversidad.
09/30/08 17:01:00	El compromiso adquirido por los Estados miembros para la Década de las personas con discapacidad para que colaboren en todos los aspectos y se logren los objetivos planteados.
09/30/08	La seguridad en zonas socio-políticamente muy inestables, en cuanto a la hegemonía de

19:05:00	actores armados y grupos ilegales, mas concretamente población civil en riesgo por las Minas Antipersona
10/01/08 00:55:00	Diversidad Cultural de Etnias
10/01/08 17:33:00	Si, en el manejo de la situación en zonas de alto riesgo político social
10/01/08 23:21:00	Acceso a las TICs
10/02/08 21:22:00	Derechos Humanos
10/02/08 21:29:00	Me parece completa
10/02/08 23:23:00	Incidencia de la educación en los procesos democráticos.
10/03/08 00:29:00	Drogadicción y violencia
10/03/08 01:04:00	Educación en valores específicamente
10/03/08 14:10:00	La equidad en Educación
10/08/08 03:55:00	Tema del Calentamiento Global, recuperación del conocimiento tradicional
10/10/08 20:03:00	No
10/12/08 20:29:00	No conozco el proyecto de declaración aún
10/29/08 21:44:00	Los conflictos entre los Estados, las Naciones
10/29/08 22:13:00	Pueblos y Comunidades Indígenas Tecnologías de la Información y Comunicaciones para el Desarrollo Indígena
10/30/08 20:52:00	No, por que han sido elegidas de manera muy pertinente de modo que cada una muestra que mis intereses están implícitos en ellas
11/24/08 22:02:00	Accesibilidad arquitectónica para personas en situación de discapacidad, también el desarrollo social en países como Colombia en donde la violencia ha hecho que tengamos un desborde social sin magnitudes.... De igual manera la productividad de las personas en condiciones especiales
11/25/08 18:04:00	La Intra-culturalidad
11/26/08 18:58:00	Democracia e inclusión social
11/27/08 18:42:00	Si, sobre causa de tierra, territorialidad y recursos naturales. Sobre alto nivel de destrucción y deterioración del medio ambiente no se priorizó de emergencia.

Information Related to the Use of Web-Based Tools:

The Summits Secretariat also requested information on the perception and frequency of use by SVP registered users of common web-based tools and other means of communication.

5. Most of the participants of the Summits Virtual Platform regularly use e-mails (89.6%) and face to face meetings (75.3%) to share and discuss their ideas with others. In addition, over half of participants have previously participated in online virtual fora (55.2%).



*Source: SVP User Survey

6. The same communication mechanisms were perceived as indispensable in a work/professional environment. It is highlighted that 61.7% consider online virtual fora to be indispensable.

Of the tools previously mentioned, which do you consider to be indispensable for sharing information with others in a work/professional environment?	
Answer Options	Response Percent
Online Virtual Fora	61.7%
e-mail	77.3%
e-mail lists	35.7%
Phone	31.8%
Face to face meetings	80.5%
Videoconferencing	40.3%
Other (please specify)	9.7%
<i>answered question</i>	
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7. Although over half of participants (57.1%) replied that they do use web based tools, it is worth mentioning that those who do not, implied lack of access (1.9%) and connectivity (6.5%), and 8.4% mentioned having poor computer skills.

If you are not using web based tools, like online virtual fora, what are the reasons:	
Answer Options	Response Percent
I do not have access to a computer for these types of activities	1.9%
I do not have access to a good internet connection	6.5%
My own computer skills are not good enough to use them	8.4%
I prefer the traditional way of meeting and discussing with people	14.3%
N/A (you use web based tools)	57.1%
Other (please specify)	15.6%
<i>answered question</i>	
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At the end of the survey the Secretariat requests comments from registered users, which are attached bellow in the original language.

Please send us any comments that you may have about this survey or about the SVP initiative	
Date	Response Text (English)
09/16/08 22:04:00	Is good to know about what people know about the topics you usually work in.
09/17/08 14:09:00	This is a very useful tool for interacting with people of like mind - in our project (76) countries involved videoconferencing and online connection get the message to all concern
09/17/08 15:25:00	This platform that we have in the virtual forum is not as friendly as the one we use before. http://pnud.redinter.org/ The other one was a lot easier to use. Hope you can improve this.
09/17/08 16:45:00	Congratulations in using ICTs to facilitate the involvement of Civil Society in the Summit Process. Please be sure that you use these tools to make the Civil Society know how their contributions were considered in the Summit Negotiations/Declaration.
09/17/08 18:07:00	I believe in collecting information in a broad format to highlight the issues of the people and not that of government, so yes, and this method is a better approach to get to the people.
09/17/08 21:52:00	Some persons who we asked to sign up had difficulty getting in.
09/18/08 01:00:00	It is a good tool, it gives us the opportunity to have a more active participation
09/18/08 15:30:00	Include the human rights topic
09/19/08 14:42:00	I am interested to know more of what it is about.
10/01/08 19:58:00	Well I think that the region as a whole see how we can make IT cheaper and accessible to everyone.
10/03/08 01:09:00	Very simply organized with no room for misunderstanding. The initiative should bring excellent rewards in terms of persons feeling that they were allowed to participate.
10/05/08 17:15:00	We appreciate this opportunity to receive and share information and ideas
10/08/08 14:59:00	I dont like the fact that when i log off, i am redirected to the OAS Educational Portal, i think i should be redirected to a Summit of the Americas environment to keep me connected.
10/10/08 14:25:00	I believe this is a good initiative and this form of communication should be encouraged for future meetings.
10/10/08 17:02:00	I think the initiative is a very good and efficient one
10/29/08 23:49:00	should serve as a useful information on the users
11/06/08 19:46:00	Virtual Platform is a very effective and cost-friendly mechanism of sharing views
11/20/08	The survey can be used to make projections for sales of communication products

01:52:00	
11/24/08 20:44:00	WE need to have our young people actively involved. Furthermore, a Youth Summit as a side event to the OAS Conference should also be held, so that we can have the young people discuss and share views. Additionally, they can present their own declaration
11/25/08 13:24:00	I was unable to log-in after registering so the real value was not attained
11/25/08 16:10:00	It is a very useful survey
Date	Response Text (Español)
09/17/08 02:41:00	Es una buena iniciativa, propongo que haya un tutor dinamizador del espacio que al igual que en los cursos esté "persiguiendo" a los participantes a aportar, facilitando, orientando, etc. Muchas veces las personas no realizan aportaciones porque el trabajo cotidiano les impide dar seguimiento a lo importante. Un recordatorio puede ayudar...
09/17/08 16:25:00	Es necesario realizar talleres o foros presenciales donde se involucre la sociedad civil e intercambie sus experiencias
09/17/08 18:45:00	Los felicito, es muy oportuna.
09/17/08 18:49:00	Habría que considerar la forma de que queden abiertas lo tratado en cada sesión de foro, en previsión de posibles dificultades de conexión a la Plataforma los días que hayan sido estipulados/fijados. Desde nuestra organización aplaudimos este tipo de iniciativas que se están tomando. Mil gracias.
09/17/08 21:26:00	Es la mejor opción que nos han dado a personas que como yo no contamos con los recursos necesarios para movilizarnos de un país a otro para participar en estas reuniones.
09/17/08 21:56:00	Yes!
09/17/08 22:27:00	Me parece interesante las variables utilizadas y sus formas de aplicación, espero que me haga llegar los resultados
09/18/08 14:49:00	Estoy presto a informarme mucho más acerca de esta cumbre de magna importancia para nuestro progresivo continente
09/18/08 15:44:00	Felicidades!
09/18/08 20:14:00	De acuerdo.
09/18/08 22:43:00	Gracias por la oportunidad, pero en realidad para mi es y seria una gran responsabilidad conocer mas de la Cumbre y sus acuerdos para difundir con los diferentes colaboradores de la organización, y sobretodo mis aportes en diferentes espacio de desarrollo regional y de mi país, serian mejores.
09/18/08 23:21:00	Interesante conocer los resultados y la generación de políticas de acuerdo a las tabulaciones y análisis.
09/19/08 18:00:00	Es un medio excelente de compartir información y retroalimentarse de otras personas, pero quisiera que estuvieran activos los comentarios, pues algunos los hacemos pero no se publican.
09/22/08 05:27:00	Que hayan mas opciones frente a informaciones de la Cumbre y como puede participar la Sociedad Civil
09/22/08 05:32:00	Considero que el uso de las TIC para abordar, discutir y proponer temas de interés regional es imprescindible en esta maravillosa época de la sociedad de la información. Debe a la vez cuidarse que estas herramientas sean accesibles a todo tipo de población, es decir que las plataformas permitan la accesibilidad digital.
09/22/08 16:45:00	Buena idea...hay que juntar la mayor cantidad de datos posibles....para esto ofrecemos nuestra disponibilidad y experiencia en droga-dependencia, sida y pobreza estructural
09/24/08 19:38:00	es buena iniciativa, faltaría difundir estos correos por la red publica de todas las instituciones publicas de cada estado miembro
09/25/08 02:23:00	Muy proactiva, interesante que nos incluyan como civiles
09/26/08	Atraves da plataforma virtual poderia ser criado um espaço da sociedade civil, aonde poderiamos trocar

03:37:00	informações, experiências, dados. Pois a secretaria de cumbre da oea, não funciona para países subdesenvolvidos como o brasil, estamos a mais de um anos aguardando autorização para participação junto de outras organizações da sociedade civil na oea, mas até agora nada, apenas descaso por parte desta secretaria. Então um espaço virtual seria fundamental já que a secretaria de cumbres, não permite a participação de ONGs de países pobres - united rede internacional de direitos humanos - uridh email: uridh@walla.com
09/30/08 17:06:00	La plataforma virtual es una herramienta que debe facilitar las discusiones y llegar a los encuentros presenciales con propuestas mejor validadas.
09/30/08 19:11:00	Es una iniciativa hábil y útil para conocer la opinión de algunos actores sociales, de los consensos que se llevan en las Cumbres de las Américas, y poder aportar a un proceso mas saludable
09/30/08 19:31:00	La encuesta esta diseñada de forma practica
09/30/08 21:56:00	Una de las mejores herramientas para compartir información es la INTERNET, en e-mail. foros virtuales, video conferencias y personalmente en consecuencia esta Plataforma Virtual es muy buena iniciativa.
10/01/08 23:24:00	Estamos trabajando en Medellín, Colombia un proyecto de inversión social, que habla de la educación en zonas de Antioquia afectadas por la violencia, con la población civil, en cuanto al conocimiento de las Minas Antipersona
10/02/08 21:34:00	Creo que podría hacerse mayor propaganda sobre esto, con datos más específicos que invite a participar con exposición de ideas, claro, con conocimientos previos sobre los temas. Si pudiese facilitar información para de ahí llegar a ciertas propuestas
10/03/08 00:33:00	Me llama la atención que podamos compartir comentarios y aprovecharlos en el trabajo que estamos haciendo.
10/03/08 01:07:00	Luego de participar
10/03/08 14:19:00	Les felicito porque la brecha que existía de comunicación entre los países esta mucho más corta con los países y las Institución. Gracias, Zonnia
10/03/08 19:23:00	Me parece un excelente medio de comunicación
10/08/08 04:00:00	Yo creo que es oportuno e interesante para intercambiar ideas, pero sobre el interés, que uno le pueda poner aunque no lo halla usado sin embargo es más rico las reuniones presenciales porque hay intercambio directo y toma otro sentido.
10/09/08 16:57:00	Creo que mucho depende del moderador y que los documentos que se coloquen no son muy extensos para que motiven comentarios
10/09/08 23:00:00	Es importante que las oficinas de la OEA en los países haga línea de comunicación con las organizaciones que tenemos registro en la OEA Central Washigton D.C.
10/10/08 18:07:00	Es importante y necesario conocer los mecanismos y poder aplicarlos
10/10/08 20:08:00	Me parece muy importante por lo que los felicito. Este medio rompe fronteras, facilita la comunicación, la abarata y permite el intercambio de experiencias.
10/29/08 21:41:00	Aún no he participado de la Plataforma Virtual de Cumbres, recién lo haré la próxima semana con los temas sobre energía y medio ambiente. En principio, creo que esta encuesta podría ayudarlos a identificar el tipo y segmento de los participantes. Más adelante se podrían incorporar otras encuestas, en temas específicos que hacen a la temática de esta plataforma, a fin de ir midiendo la expectativa, interés y aporte de los participantes.
10/29/08 22:03:00	Indudablemente que la dinámica que brinda la plataforma, es un método de extrema participación e interacción con los temas que se persiguen, discuten y analizan, brindando diferentes opiniones y puntos de vistas, que sin dudas se dirigen a la búsqueda de soluciones a problemáticas de toda la existencia humana y sus diferentes vertientes e inquietudes actuales. Personalmente, le considero un novedoso medio, ágil, objetivo con verdaderos alcances de sus propósitos medulares, por lo que invito a todo persona sensata, preocupada por los diversos aspectos sociales, económicos y políticos a participar activamente en la misma, contribuyendo con sus ideas, capacidad y experiencia a la solución

	<p>y planteamiento sobre los temas centrales de que trata a la fecha a través de estos medios la Plataforma Virtual.</p> <p>Sobre la encuesta, le considero muy equilibrada así como conceptuada.</p> <p>Mis mejores deseos y todo el éxito en el manejo del objetivo principal que persigue este talentoso trabajo en equipo. Jose A. Gautreau</p>
10/29/08 22:14:00	Comunidades Indígenas y las TICs
10/30/08 14:39:00	Me parece amplia
10/30/08 15:30:00	Intensificar uso de ese medio de discusión.
10/30/08 20:56:00	Me parece muy interesante e importante, puedo construir mis conocimientos de manera cooperativa para continuar ayudando en el fortalecimiento de la democracia en mi país.
11/24/08 20:51:00	Me parece muy importante
11/24/08 22:56:00	Se me ha dificultado el entrar, ya sea porque no me da acceso al link que uso, o bien porque la conexión no siempre es buena.
11/25/08 18:12:00	En mi opinión esta plataforma virtual podría servir también para denunciar los actos de corrupción que los líderes, y Lideresas Garifunas Guatemaltecos Ejercen en contra de sus propios hermanos, conviene decir que en la era moderna el hombre blanco ya no es un alto riesgo y si se quiere cambiar, mejorar o modificar las estructuras sociales debe de ser un esfuerzo en conjunto principiando de una base sólida si esta realmente existe.
11/27/08 18:51:00	Esta plataforma virtual es muy importante para fortalecernos los líderes de pueblos originarios y indígenas nos facilita a prepararnos cada vez más a bienestar social ,ser solidario humano y intercambiar nuestra experiencias, ideas, conocimientos ,ect...

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