

## ICT4D Collective: membership and partnership principles, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2009

### Members and Associate Members of the Collective:

1. Aim to undertake the highest possible *quality in research and practice* in the use of Information and Communication Technologies for Development (ICT4D);
2. Adopt *diverse multi-disciplinary* approaches to ICT4D, and do not seek to impose any one curriculum or definition on its meaning;
3. Place particular emphasis on ways in which ICTs can *empower poor people and marginalised communities*;
4. Work *collaboratively and openly* in support of each other and the communities in which the Collective is engaged, seeking to engage in partnership with like minded individuals, organisations and networks;
5. *Participate* in the work of the Collective both for what they can contribute to it, but also for what they can benefit from such participation;
6. Treat each other with *mutual respect*, and should not knowingly engage in activities that might harm the Collective.

All Members and Associate Members of the Collective are listed on the Collective's web-site. 'Members' are those based at Royal Holloway, University of London; 'Associate Members' are those from other institutions or entities. Enquiries about membership of the Collective should be submitted to the Director, or a nominated deputy. Failure to adhere to the above principles may lead to exclusion from the Collective.

### Partnerships

Much of the Collective's work is undertaken in partnership with other entities. The Collective maintains two types of partnership: partners and co-operating organisations.

*Partners* of the ICT4D Collective are entities that satisfy the following conditions:

- They are engaged in delivering one or more activity with the Collective;
- One or more member(s) of the partner entity is a member of the Collective, and therefore adheres to the above principles;
- A memorandum of understanding (MoU) may have been agreed with the Collective, but MoUs are not essential for undertaking an activity by mutual agreement of both parties;
- Partners are listed on the Collective's web-site (with logos subject to prior agreement); partners are encouraged to reciprocate by providing links to the Collective's digital environments on their own web-sites.

*Co-operating organisations* are entities that satisfy the following conditions:

- They wish to co-operate through sharing of information and networking with the ICT4D Collective;
- They are not yet engaged in delivering a specific activity with the Collective, but aspire to do so;
- One or more member(s) of the co-operating organisation is a member of the Collective, and therefore adheres to the above principles;
- Co-operating organisations are listed on the Collective's web-site (with logos subject to prior agreement); co-operating organisations are encouraged to reciprocate by providing links to the Collective's digital environments on their own web-sites

Enquiries about partnership with the Collective should be submitted to the Director, or a nominated deputy. Partnership arrangements should be reviewed every three years.