Curriculum Vitae (summary): Seán Ó Siochrú

Nationality:	Irish
Education:	Trinity College, Dublin, B.A.(Hons.) Moderator in Sociology; McMaster University, Canada. M.A. (Sociology); University College, Cork. M.A. (Social Theory & Institutions)

Employment:

1990 - present	Co-founder, Director of NEXUS Europe, an independent not-for-profit research cooperative. www.nexus.ie
Other Positions:	Board Member, *Khmer Information Technology for Development* (KITD), Cambodia.
Past Positions:	Chairperson (2002 – 2009), *Dublin Community Television* (www.dctv.ie) Chairperson, Community Media Network (Ireland) 1999- 2008. (http://www.cmn.ie)
Languages:	English: *Fluent*; Irish: *Excellent*; French: *reading: good; spoken: good.*

Summary Highlights

Seán has over 30 years' experience of programme and project design, implementation, and evaluation in development, empowerment and human rights projects. Domain specialties include *education at all levels, access to information, sustainable livelihoods, broadcast media, rural development, and ICTs for development* mainly in Asia, Africa and Europe. He has led many global evaluations, sometimes heading multiple teams across continents; but also continues with short-term rapid assessments in areas of interest.

Clients include United Nations Development Programme (HQ, regional and country office levels, Regional Commissions), European Commission (several Directorates), Council of Europe, UN Specialised Agencies (e.g. IFAD, UNESCO, ITU), UN ESCAP, UNECA, international development and aid institutions (e.g. IDRC, DFiD, World Bank, USAID, DW Akademie) and NGOs (e.g. Oxfam Novib, Free Press Unlimited, Transparency International, APC, WACC, DVV International, SIMlab). Assignments include project and programme design, surveys, evaluation, policy/regulation consulting, researching and writing handbooks, manuals, substantive reports.

He is expert in or very familiar with virtually all major approaches to evaluation and programme/project assessment; as Research Director of Nexus was involved in developing the software-assisted SPEAK (Strategic Planning Evaluation and Support System) which has been implemented across many multiple-project programmes in Ireland and elsewhere; and is a recognised international expert in Theory of Change, and was appointed to the advisory Board of the *Centre for Theory of Change* in New York: http://www.theoryofchange.org/about-us/theory-of-change-advisory-board/

He maintains his work in Ireland throughout his career, for NGOs, CBOs, and state entities in a range of areas, including media, children's services, travellers, refugees, local development strategies, and public services.

Seán has extensive direct experience of working with and participating in civil society organisations and NGOs from local to global level; and held various active roles during the UN's *World Summit for the Information Society* (2003, 2005) including as organiser and spokesperson for the successful *Communication Rights in the Information Society* (CRIS) campaign.

He has long been an advocate and practitioner of community media as a tool for change; and is founding Chairperson of *Dublin Community Television* (www.dctv.ie), and producer/presenter of programmes, and before that of *Community Media Network*. He is an active member of the international *JustNet Coalition* which advocates for a more democratic and empowering internet governance https://justnetcoalition.org/.

He is the author/co-author of many books, chapters and articles, and producer of television programmes.

Projects below are divided between international and those undertaken in his native Ireland, and clients are highlighted.

Some International Projects

- Evaluator: *Empowering ECCE Teachers with a Transformative Vision of Education: Summative Evaluation.* **UNESCO Bangkok**. 2022. A pilot programme of Social Emotional Learning as part of early childhood education was undertaken in four Asia Pacific countries: Cambodia, Vietnam, Fiji and Vanuatu. This evaluated the outcomes and made recommendations for follow-up actions, currently being implemented,

- Lead Evaluator (with Varunya Temrat & Dr. Wanapat Sangkaew) *External Evaluation: Programme of Family Rehabilitation & Family Preservation in Thailand* 2016-2021. **Partage, France**. 2022. Leading a team of national local academics, this field-work based evaluation examined the child support programme in Nakhon Si Thammarat Province in Thailand.

- Lead Evaluator (with Bruce Girard): *An Evaluation of the LOCNET (Local Networking) Initiative 2018-2021. Swedish International Development Agency* (SIDA) and **Association for Progressive Communications**. 2021-2022. This is a €4 million multi-annual programme to support local communities to build and run their own communication networks, mainly in marginalised communities.

- Lead evaluator (with Bruce Girard): *A stronger International Forum of National NGO Platforms for greater impact on public policies*, for **Forus International. 2020**. This was a four year €4.5 million project to strengthen the capacities for Forus members, and to build research and advocacy in Agenda 2030, the enabling environment for civil society at national, regional and global levels.

- Joint Consultancy (with Eoin Collins): a Theory of Change for the *United National Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management* (APDIM), under **UN-ESCAP**. 2020. This consultancy was to develop a Theory of Change for APDIM, a UN Centre based in Tehran. It involved a series of small and large online Workshops with key stakeholders. It was successfully completed and the outcome integrated into the APDIM Multi-year Strategic Programme 2021-2030

- Evaluator (with Njuki Githethwa): *External Evaluation of the BMZ-funded country project in Kenya.* For **Deutsche Welle Akademie.** 2020-2021. Working with a national evaluator, this examined the DW Akademie's support for media in Kenya over the 2019-2021 period.

- Team Leader, Crisis Review: *A Review of the Syrian Journalism Network.* **Free Press Unlimited**. 2020. This is an independent review of the SJA, to learn lessons and contribute to resolving an ongoing crisis. It also involved a feedback Workshop with fifty participants, chaired by Khaled Mansour, International Human Rights expert. The report was written with two other regional experts, Husam Saba & Anas Darkaoui.

- Lead Evaluator. *Evaluation of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for ICT for Development (APCICT).* For **United National Economic and Social Commissions for Asia and the Pacific (**UN ESCAP). 2020. APCICT is a regional Centre of UN ESCAP, and provides capacity building services to members states across the entire region. The Evaluation recommended a major overhaul of the Centre identity and Service Lines for its medium-term strategy.

- Reviewer. *ICT to facilitate SDG4 in South Asia.* For **UNESCO Bangkok. 2020** This multi-annual programme focuses on supporting the development of Education Master Plans in six countries.

- Reviewer: *UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khakifa Prize.* For **UNESCO Headquarters. 2020**. This global Prize is awarded annually for innovation in education. The review drew on remote interviews with twenty stakeholders, over a three week period, and recommended an innovative new approach to implementing the Prize in future.

- Lead Researcher: *Review of **Transparency Internationals** (TI) Global Small Grant Programme.* For TI- Secretariat. 2019-2020 This reviews their programme between 2016 and 2019 or over 100 small grants to their Country Chapters worldwide.

- Evaluator: *Promoting quality and inclusive early childhood education and parenting in Cambodia and Vietnam* for **Aide et Action**, 2019-2020. This programme spans two countries, and involved a Field Visit to both. It was delivered in January 2020.

- Evaluator: *Evaluating the DW Akademie project in Bangladesh.* For **Deutsche Welle Akademie**. 2019-2020. This deployed a new methodology focusing on management & leadership performance to evaluate BMZ-funded support for the media sector in Bangladesh, including enhancing University media department programmes and linking them more closely with media publishers.

- Evaluator: *Enhancing National Capacity to Foster Digital Citizenship Education in Asia-Pacific (KFIT III)*; for **UNESCO Bangkok**. 2018 – 2021. (ongoing) This is both an annual formative and final summative evaluation of this Asia-Pacific wide project.

- Evaluator: *Ethical Journalism for Syrian Media (EJSM) 2016-2020: Mid-term Review* for **Free Press Unlimited** (FPU) Netherlands. 2019.

- Evaluator: *ForumZFD's Programme in the Philippines;* for **Forum**ZFD, Germany; the first external evaluation of this programme with extensive field work in Mindanao. 2018-2019.

- Lead Evaluator: *Evaluation of UNESCO ICT in Education Programme;* (with Graham Attwell); for **UNESCO Paris**. 2018 – 2019, a major global evaluation for UNESCO's Internal Oversight Service.

- Lead Evaluator: *External Evaluation of the **Bandos Komar Project**: Improvement of the Quality of Education in Cambodia* (with Sor Min); for Partage, France. 2018

- Evaluator *Sierra Leone National Programme 2012-2017;* for **Finn Church Aid**; included field visits to programmes on Right to Livelihood, Right to Peace and Right to Education in rural Sierra Leone. 2018.

- Lead Evaluator: *International Programme for Development Communication* (IPDC), a 40 year old intergovernmental programme under UNESCO; for **UNESCO Paris**, Communication and Information (CI) Division. 2017.

- Evaluator: *Thematic Evaluation Review of BBC Media Action's Global Grant*, a final thematic review of a global grant from DFID (2011 – 2017) that invested £90 million in media development interventions in fourteen countries, for BBC Media Action. Included field visits to Nepal and Sierra Leone. 2017.

- Author: *Policy Paper on Guiding Principles & Regulatory Measures for Communication in Rural Communities.* This is a review of regulatory innovation that can enhance communication (radio, mobile telephony and internet) in poor rural communities, and advising on a strategy to support its implementation in these three international bodies. **FAO/WACC/AMARC**. 2016 – 2017.

- Evaluator: *National Support Programmes for Adult Evaluation in Asia*. An evaluation of seven country programmes in Central and South East Asia and the Middle East, including data gathering missions to each, for DVV International. 2016 - 2017.

- Lead Evaluator: *Evaluation of the Ethical Journalism for Syria Alliance* (EJSA), a €2.3 million programme to support independent Syrian media, radio, Internet and published, inside and outside Syria, for **Free Press Unlimited**. Interim Evaluation 2015; Final Evaluation in 2016.

- Lead evaluator: Final Evaluation of *Development Initiatives Programme 2012-2014* for **World Association for Christian Communication (WACC)**, Canada, a global small-grant programme comprising 86 communication, media and ICT projects in 50 countries of the world. Included Case Study work in Democratic Republic of Congo (eastern and western), Philippines and Mexico. 2015.

- Lead: Final Evaluation of *Rural Mobile Money in Kenya,* a DFID-funded initiative providing rural credit unions, schools and enterprises in Kenya with mobile money account management tools. For **Social Impact Lab Foundation (SIMLab),** Washington. 2015.

- Lead Evaluator: *Final Evaluation of TESLA (Transnational Ecosystems Laboratory and Actions) Programme*, an EU funded €3.8 million programme to support innovation among small firms in six countries of North West Europe, completed for **Líonra**, the managing partner. (2015)

- Author: *An Access to Information Programme (A2I) Development Handbook:* **Oxfam/Novib and Oxfam Palestine**, to produce a handbook for Oxfam globally to develop A2I programmes in a consistent and effective manner, and supporting the development of A2I Programme in Occupied Palestinian Territory. (2013 – 2014).

- Lead Evaluator: *Access to Information (A2I) Global Priority Programme* for **Oxfam Novib headquarters,** the Netherlands, with case studies in Myanmar, Nigeria and Egypt. (2013)

- Lead Evaluator: C4I Programme (*Communication for Integration: Social Networks for Diversity*): A joint **Council of Europe, EU Programme** to counter discriminatory rumours in ten European cities 2014-15

- Lead Evaluator: The MEDIANE Programme (*Media Exchanges for Diversity Inclusiveness, Antiracism, Non-discrimination in Europe*) a joint **Council of Europe, EU Programme** to combat media discrimination covering 28 European countries. 2013-2014

- Author: *ICTs and Democratic Governance: Empowering the Marginalised.* For **UNDP: Democratic Governance Division,** New York. 2013.

- Evaluation Manager: *Media Against Racism in Sport (MARS)*, a joint **Council of Europe, European Union p**rogramme to combat discrimination in media and sport in 15 European countries. 2011-13

- Lead Researcher: *Review of eSEE (Electronic - South East Europe) Agenda: Information Society*

Strategies in the Balkans, covering eight Balkan countries. **UNDP, Bosnia & Herzegovina** 2009-2010.

- Chief Advisor: *Community Driven Universal Access Solutions in Cambodia (*renamed i-REACH), for International Development Research Centre (Canada) & Ministry of Commerce, Cambodia, Canada. 2006 - 2010. Also principal consultant on programme design. (http://www.ireach.org.kh)

- Project Manager: *A Household Survey of Mobile Usage in South Africa and Ethiopia: Rural Demand and Differential Impacts* (with Christoph Stork and Lishan Adams): 2007-2009, CCI and USAID. See www.cci.coop/CCI_Report_Final.pdf

- Author/researcher: Three modules of *Pro-Poor ICT Access Toolkit*: 1) *Overview of Policy and Regulatory issues;* 2) *Rural Broadband Backbone: Case Studies*; 3) *Community Driven ICTs: Recent Developments and Potential in India*. Association for Progressive Communications (APC) and UNDP. 2008 - 2009.   http://access.apc.org/index.php/Pro-Poor_ICT_Access_toolkit_documents

- Author/researcher: *The Use of ICTs for Civil Society Empowerment: A Community Media/NGO Initiative for Cyprus*, UNDP–ACT, Cyprus. 2007. (The Cyprus Community Media Centre was officially launched in December 2009 by former President Jimmy Carter and Dr. Desmond Tutu.)

- Author/researcher: *E-Leadership in Africa: Four Case Studies.* (Kenya, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal), for World Bank *Knowledge for Development Programme*, 2006.

- Programme Leader: *Pro-Poor ICTs in East Africa*: *A Programme for Community Networks and low Cost Bandwidth in Rural Areas.* Leading national teams in research, policy support & advocacy partnerships in Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania & Uganda, UNDP. 2004-2006. http://www.propoor-ict.net/

- Lead Evaluator: *Interim Review of the eSEE Agenda Initiative's Policy Impact (Electronic - South East Europe*), UNDP Regional Centre in Bratislava, July 2005.

- Lead Evaluator: *An Assessment of UNDP ICT Projects in Belarus and Prospects for Internet 2*. UNDP National Office, Belarus. April/June 2005.

- Joint Researcher/Author: *Feasibility Study: Geneva Development Information Centre*, for UNDP, World Bank, and Swiss Development Corporation. December 2004

- Evaluator: *InfoTuk Programme Final Evaluation* (*Information Sharing in Turkmenistan for Sustainable Human Development*), UNDP, 2004.

- Team Leader: *Final Global Evaluation: Sustainable Development Networking Programme* (SDNP)*,* UNDP, 2003 (including national evaluations in Bangladesh, India, Romania and Guyana) (http://undpegov.org/docs/SDNP-assessment-report-Final.pdf)

- Lead evaluator: *Sustainable Development Networking Programme (SDNP), Pakistan,* UNDP, 2001.

- Lead Researcher: *Issues and Options Study for Knowledge Networking in ACP Countries*, for the European Union's DG Development, and World Bank. 2000-2001, funded by European Development Fund. Two African networks and one in the South Pacific were designed. (www.comunica.org/apren/)

- Coordinator: ENRAP (*Electronic Networking for Rural Asia/Pacific Projects*), Phase 1 for IFAD, the UN agricultural development agency, 1998/9, a $1m project to explore internet use using participatory methodologies among IFAD-funded projects in eight Asia Pacific countries. (www.enrap.org)

- Project Leader: *ACCORDE: Advanced Communications for Cohesion and Regional Development*, for Directorate General XIII, European Commission, 1994/5.

- Project leader of *An Assessment of Social and Economic Cohesion Aspects of the Information Society in Europe* (5 vols.)*,* DGXIII & DGXVI, European Commission, 1995 (Contract No. 71041).

- Deputy leader of the EU STAR Programme evaluation, for DGXVI (led by Ewbank Preece), 1993.

- Responsible for global trends and policies in telecommunications, in *Global Perspectives 2010: Tasks for Science and Technology*, EC's MONITOR/FAST Programme coordinated by SPRU, 1992.

Some Projects in Ireland:

- Consultant. *A Strategic Review of the Community Television Sector in Ireland.* 2023. **Broadcasting Authority of Ireland**. This is the first full review of this licensed broadcasting sub-sector and will include recommendations for its future its future development.

- Evaluator (with Neil Haran, Joe Finnerty, Paul Butler). The Housing Pathways and Experiences of Older People in the Private Rented Sector. **Threshold & Alone**. 2022. Interview and research based analysis of the current and future situation for older people in private accommodation.

- Policy Consultant: *Community Media Policy and Regulation for the Future*. This was a policy paper commissioned by the **Broadcasting Authority of Ireland**, to draft a new Integrated policy for all forms of community media. It was published in October 2020 and submitted for discussion to the BAI Board in February 2021. See https://www.bai.ie/en/download/136026/ It formed the basis for the new Community Media Policy: See: https://www.bai.ie/en/download/136264/

- Lead consultant and author: *Assessing the Social Benefit of Community Media: A Toolkit for Community Radio* and (with Paul Butler) *Introducing a Social Benefits approach to Community Radio: A Compendium of Stories;* **Broadcasting Authority of Ireland** and **CRAOL**. 2019 – 2021: An output of this was a framework and toolkit with which community radio can assess the social benefit it generated, as well as a compendium of studies generated using the methodology. Reports can be accessed here: https://iamcr.box.com/s/zft4ekl8u5mh8w0i76tpns9o22uvl134

- With Neil Haran: *Exploring Own-Door Models of Emergency Accommodation for Homeless Families in Ireland*: *A Comparative Case Study of Four Models*. **Focus Ireland** 2020. https://www.focusireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Exploring-Own-Door-Models-of-EA-Report_FINAL.pdf

- With Neil Haran: *Family Matters* programme evaluation. **Ballyfermot Chapelizod Partnership**. 2017.

- With Neil Haran: *Keeping a Home: Preventing Families from becoming Homeless.* Focus Ireland 2016 - 2017 https://www.focusireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Haran-and-OShiochru-2017-Keeping-a-Home-Full-Report.pdf

- Lead author with Paul Butler: *Mulhuddart Needs Assessment & Five Year Strategic Plan Development*. **Mulhuddart Task Group**, Chaired by Fingal County Council. 2016 – 2017.

- Consultant*: Strategy Review: **Daughters of Charity Community Services** (DoCCS)* (with Neil Haran) *2016.* To provide the basis for strategy development for DoCCS into the future.

- Joint Evaluator: *Final Evaluation **Tony Ryan Trust Fund** for Tipperary* (TRFT) programme that invested €1 million in children's and youth services (with Neil Harran). 2015

- Author: *Reforming Public Services in Ireland: Some Lessons from the Experience of The Atlantic Philanthropies* (2015). **The Atlantic Philanthropies**.

- Lead Evaluator: Evaluation of *Supporting Social Inclusion in the Regeneration of Limerick (SSIRL)*, a programme supporting the social objectives of the Limerick Regeneration, with **Office for Regeneration of Limerick**, Atlantic Philanthropies, and the University of Limerick (UL). 2012-2014.

- Lead Consultant: *Evaluation of the Advocacy Initiative*, funded by the **Atlantic Philanthropies**, and involving numerous social justice organisations. 2012 – 2014.

- Joint Evaluator (with Dr Mary Mulcahy): *Changing Needs in Challenging Times: Evaluation of the Family Service Centres* for the **Family Services Agency**. 2012.

- Lead Evaluator: Evaluation of the *European Refugee Fund (ERF)* and *European Integration Fund (EIF)* in Ireland, **Pobal** 2011 – 2013.

- Lead Author: *A Monitoring and Evaluation Framework for the European Refugee Fund (ERF) and European Integration Fund (EIF),* **Pobal**, 2011. See https://www.pobal.ie/Publications/Documents/Summary%20of%20ERF%20EIF%20Evaluation%20Framework%20in%20Ireland%202011.pdf

- Researcher/Writer (with B. Dillon) *County Limerick Local Area Anti-Poverty Strategy (LAPSIS)*, for **Limerick Country Development Board**. 2009 (November)

- Researcher/Writer (with B. Dillon) *Review of Downtown Centre,* for the Shannon Consortium. 2009.

- Author (with Dr. Mary Mulcahy): *Community Television in Cork: An Assessment of Needs*. **Broadcasting Commission of Ireland**. 2008

- Coordinator: *Liffey Sound Training Needs Assessment*. **Broadcasting Commission of Ireland**, 2008.

- Lead researcher: *A Community Media initiative for County Kerry.* (with M. Gillan) Social Inclusion Measures (SIM) Group, **Kerry County Development Board**, 2005.

- Author: *A Feasibility Study and Action Plan for Community Television Channel in Dublin* for **Dublin City Development** Board 2002

- Co-Author: *Promoting an Intercultural Workplace: Examples of Good Practice*. **Combat Poverty Agency**, 2001 http://www.equality.ie/index.asp?locID=105&docID=73

Principal Publications:

Books:

- Co-author (with Steve Buckley, Tia Duer, Toby Mendel), and final editor: *Broadcasting, Voice and Accountability: A Public Interest Approach to Policy, Law and Regulation.* World Bank Institute and University of Michigan Press. May 2008. http://www.press.umich.edu/pdf/9780472032723-fm.pdf

- Co-author (with B. Girard) *Community-based Networks and Innovative Technologies: New models to serve and empower the poor,* UNDP, New York 2005. p-ced.com/reference/community-based_nets.pdf

- Author: *Assessing Communication Rights: A Handbook*, CRIS Campaign, September 2005 (also in French and Spanish). http://cdn.agilitycms.com/wacc-global/Images/Galleries/RESOURCES/COMMUNICATION-RIGHTS/Assessing-Communication-Rights.pdf

- Editor with B. Girard, *Communicating in the Information Society,* UNRISD, 2003. (www.unrisd.org)

- Author (with B. Girard and A. Mahan): *Global Media Governance: A Beginners Guide*, Rowman & Littlefield, Boulder & London. 2002. (www.comunica.org/gmg)

- Author: *Telecommunications and Universal Service: International Experience in the Context of South African Policy Reform*. International Development Research Centre, Canada 1996.

- Author: *Europe Connected or Disconnected? Broadband in Less Developed Regions*, (summary in Spanish, Portuguese, Greek, Italian), Fundesco, Madrid, 1991. ISBN 84-86094-83-6

- Co-Author (with E. Conlon & E. McArdle) *Ireland, Europe, and 1992*, Tomar Press, Dublin 1989. isbn 1871793025

Book Chapters/ Commissioned Papers/Articles:

- *Lead author Book Chapter (forthcoming early 2022): "Just Net Coalition: Seeking anchors of equity and social justice in a digital world"* (With Parminder Jeet Singh and Sally Burch.) *Global Communication Governance at the Crossroads. Editor:* Claudia Padovani. Palgrave

- Book Chapter: "Implementing Communication Rights" Ch 2.in Marc Raboy and Jeremy Shtern. *Media Divides: Communication Rights and the Right to Communicate in Canada,* UBC Press, Toronto 2010.

- Book Chapter: Co- author (with H. Grunfeld, B. Unger, I. Sarun) "iREACH: Lessons from a Community Owned ICT Network in Cambodia" in *ICTs for Development in Asia and the Pacific: Theory, Practice and the Digital Divide (Vol 2)* (Development Informatics and Regional Information Technologies: Theory, Practice and the Digital Divide series), Monash University 2010. http://www.igi-global.com/bookstore/Chapter.aspx?TitleId=47141

- Commissioned Paper: The Access Barrier in Mobile Telephony: A Survey in Ethiopia and South Africa Authors Seán Ó Siochrú, Dr. Lishan Adam, Dr. Christoph Stork, USAID 2009 See www.cci.coop/CCI_Report_Final.pdf

- Chapter: "Empowering Communities through ICT Cooperative Enterprises: The Case of India." in *The Political Economy and the Information Society*. Volume 1, June. IT for Change, Bangalore. 2008.

- Editor/author, *Global Information Society Watch* Inaugural Report, Editor *Institutional Overviews*, author *Introduction, UNESCO* and *UNDP* sections, May 2007, APC and Item http://www.globaliswatch.org/

- Two Book Chapters: 'Global Media Governance as a Potential Site of Civil-Society Intervention' Chapter 10: 'Finding a Frame: Towards a Transnational Advocacy Campaign to Democratize Communication.' Chapter 14: in *Global Mediation*, edited by Robert Hackett and Yuezhi Zhao. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2005.

- Commissioned Paper: *Global Governance of ICTs: Implications for Global Civil Society.* Social Science Research Council (SSRC), New York, 2003. http://www.ssrc.org/programs/itic/governance_report/index.page

- Commissioned Paper (with Bruce Girard), *Information Wants to be Free, Visions Paper,* International Telecommunication Union (ITU), *Presented WSIS Prepcom II 2003. (www.itu.int/visions/).*

- Commissioned Paper: *Social Dimensions of the Globalisation of the Media and Communications Sector: Some Strategic Considerations.* Delivered in Geneva in April 2002 to the *International Labour Organisation* (ILO) as a contribution to the *World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (2004).* http://www.ilo.org/public/libdoc/ilo/2004/104B09_173_engl.pdf

- Commissioned Paper (with Clement Dzidonu, and Makane Faye) *Broadening National Information and Communications Policies and Strategies: Proposals for the ADF '99 Post Forum Summit,* United National Economic Commission for Africa, 2000.

- Featured journalism include:
  'Lost Opportunities for the WSIS' in UNDP Oslo Centre's *Update: Soapbox Section* Spring 2004;
  'Failure and Success at the WSIS' in *UNRISD* News No. 26, Spring/Summer 2004,
  'The Side-Show, not the Summit, is what to Watch' *Inter Press Service* News Agency OP-ED 2005.

Appointments, Elected Positions and other Activities

- Speaker ('Wrap-up' Presentation) at UNESCO's *IPDC Talks* on the theme of "Powering Sustainable Development through Access to Information". September, Paris 2017. https://en.unesco.org/ipdc-talks and https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VLoU3sKzKXk&feature=youtu.be

- Advisory Board, Centre for Theory of Change, New York, http://www.theoryofchange.org/about-us/theory-of-change-advisory-board/ 2015 -

- Coordinator/Manager: *Track 6 Maintaining Global Diversity in Global Solidarity.* Montreal International Forum, Global Democracy Conference May/June 2005 www.g05.org;

- Member: *Human Rights Mission, Tunisia.* September 7th – 10th 2005 Part of a group of human rights observers to assess the situation in Tunisian in the lead up to the WSIS.

- Organiser: *Financing Mechanism for ICTs: Converging of Diverging Interest?* Workshop, World Summit on the Information Society, February 16th, Geneva 2005.

- Coordinator: *Communication Rights and National Movements*, Workshop Event, World Social Forum, Porto Alegre, January 2005.

- Expert member: *Poverty Reduction Network, United Nations Development Programme, since* 2004.

- Joint Coordinator: *UNDP/WSIS National Meetings Project: Africa, Asia* 2003.

- Member (Networks & Coalitions) *Civil Society Bureau*, *World Summit on the Information Society 2003.*

- Spokesperson, CRIS Campaign (Communication Rights in the Information Society: www.crisinfo.org).

- Chairperson, from foundation to 2009, of Dublin Community Television (http://www.dctv.ie)

- Chairperson, Community Media Network (Ireland) from foundation to 2008. (http://www.cmn.ie)

- Coordinator, *World Forum on Communication Rights*, a WSIS event, Geneva December 2003

- Civil Society Representative, *Intergovernmental Bureau, Regional WSIS Meeting*, Bucharest, 2002.

- Member, Technical Advisory Committee for *UN Economic Commission for Africa*'s inaugural *Africa Development Forum* (ADF'99), October 1999.

- Rapporteur, ITU (International Telecommunication Union) Development Sector: Focus Group on NGOs and Telecommunications, Study Group 2 Question 10/G 1999

- Member of Task Force for GAIT (*Global Access to ICT*), a joint South African/IDRC initiatives to set up a global centre to promote universal access in less developed countries, 1998.

- Secretary General (1996 - 1998) of the *MacBride Round Table on Global Communications:* Round Table organiser: Seoul 1996; Boulder, Colorado October 1997; and Amman, Jordan 1998.

- Invited lecturer on International Telecommunication Policy, for *Telecoms Policy Environment Training Course,* P&DM, Wits University, Johannesburg, South Africa, August 1997 (14 lectures)

- Founder member and co-organiser of *Platform for Democratisation of Communication*, an association founded in 1996 of international NGOs involved in communication and media.