Online Platforms

*Purpose and Principles*

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Collaboration not competition: could this be the future of development?

Amplify is the UK’s Department for International Development’s attempt to bring a truly innovative and collaborative approach to aid. Will it work?

What’s the best way to get fresh new ideas for development problems? If the collaboration between the UK government and a Californian tech company has got it right, we need to be encouraging different sectors to work together, rather than against each other.

“DfID has traditionally used competition as a driver for innovation,” says Jonathan Wong, who is taking the lead on the project at the UK’s Department for International Development (DfID). “Now the intention is to form interesting collaborations.” He believes that innovation happens when different people with different perspectives work together. The aim is that this project will bring development professionals together with the private sector, tech startups, local experts and anyone else who has an idea and interest in solving the challenges.
How might we make low-income urban areas safer and more empowering for women and girls?
Do you want to get involved in this challenge?
We follow a process with phases. Currently we are in the Impact phase. You can participate by adding stories on the impact of this challenge.
Funded Ideas

Congratulations to our Women's Safety's Challenge Funded ideas and to our entire community for your efforts creating, collaborating, building and refining throughout the challenge! Funded ideas were selected by the Amplify Team and a panel of subject-matter experts reviewed each idea on the Shortlist, to select a handful of initiatives based on where the program's support can have the greatest catalysing effect. Read more about the Funded Ideas.

3 CONTRIBUTIONS

Engaging Men in Urban Slums in the Fight Against Gender-Based Violence

A peer-to-peer education campaign to encourage men and boys in Kenya about preventing gender-based violence. The curriculum will be delivered through soccer...

Community Concierge Program

Working together with an organization in Nepal, this project seeks to identify and train female leaders, who in turn provide information and guidance to other women in...

Kidogo: Child Care Franchises in Urban Slums

A 'business-in-a-box' that helps women in Kenya launch their own in-home childcare business – providing a safe space for children in the community and steady employment for...
How might we apply new technologies to make agriculture and water systems more resilient in the face of climate threats?

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How might we combat health threats like Zika, SARS, Ebola and Malaria in bold, imaginative ways?

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USAID: Combating Zika and Future Threats Grand Challenge

How might we use technology to inspire all socioeconomic and multicultural groups to lead healthier lives?

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How might mobile technology help improve access to healthcare?

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ONLINE PLATFORMS AS DEVELOPMENT DRIVERS

To the hundreds of millions of people in Asia with access to the web, online platforms have emerged as valuable tools for navigating this connected world. In sectors as diverse as finance, logistics, cross-border trade, talent acquisition, household services, and the traditional buying and selling of goods, online platforms are reshaping the way people interact and businesses operate. By 2020, over a billion people in the Asia-Pacific alone will be served by platforms.
Key Messages

User-centered design
Why would we use the TFM platform? What is its purpose?

Efficacy
How can we build credibility for a new platform?

Inclusivity
How can we ensure people that are not “connected” can participate?

Community
How can we build, grow and maintain an active and engaged community?

Interoperability
How will TFM platform interface with other platforms?

Metrics
If we got back together here in 15 years, what would we have liked to achieve? What would success look like?
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