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Short Bio:

Is an Associate Professor at Paris Ovest Nanterre La Défense University. He is also member of the CEROS research group. Previously he was an assistant professor, member of the VALLOREM research group at the François-Rabelais University of Tours. The author of almost a dozen of articles, he works on Information and Communication Technologies for Development (ICTD), such as e-government, e-Business, and e-services Assimilation in Developing Countries. His research is mainly quantitative based on Structural Equation Modeling.

Short description of the track

Underdevelopment, insecurity, poverty, inequality, and immigration are major problems faced by developing countries. Since 2000, international donor agencies are encouraging the usage of ICT in order to reduce the impact of these complex social problems. Today, much has been done. Some researchers have reported practices that can lead to socio-economic development, can improve people's life, and can install a kind of a new emerging democracy. Indeed, according to some scholars, ICT, if correctly implemented, can have many positive impacts such as: transforming governments, making them more transparent and accountable (Subhajt Basu, 2004), cutting out the middleman, connecting the excluded (Heeks, 2010), helping the agency of women which is of strong effect on development through entrepreneurship (Heeks and Shoba, 2010), introducing the digital production, enabling collective Power and crowdvoicing, allowing the growth of social outsourcing and social enterprises.

The literature about development analyses huge potential of a positive contribution of ICT to development. The aim of this track is to illustrate some of the issues related to ICT4 development, while keeping in mind the differences and similarities among developing countries.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- ICT for different aspects of development
- ICT4D and mobile technologies
- Big data as a tool for development
- e-Government and democracy
- Open disaster risk data and minimization of the effect of disaster in DC
- ICT and urban service delivery
- Social networking and health care in DC
- Poor as producers and innovators with ICTs
- Telecenters as paths for affordable computing in DC
- ICT and disability work
- ICT and acquisition and absorption of knowledge in DC
- Public/private partnerships job creation and economic growth
- Bridging the digital divide
- Peer-to-peer technology for knowledge sharing
- Using ICT to enforce proper security against terrorism
- Women using ICT to tackle social discrimination

Type of contribution:

• Full research papers	
• Research in Progress papers	
• Both	yes

Additional information:

All submissions must be in French or English and will be blind reviewed by at least two referees.