



Communication and
engagement with
communities

Social Media Learning
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What you said you want to
learn

Appropriate methods to communicate the information in peace and emergency.

Ways to promote RCRC movement through social media

Reputation Risk Management

How to create good communication that is creative.

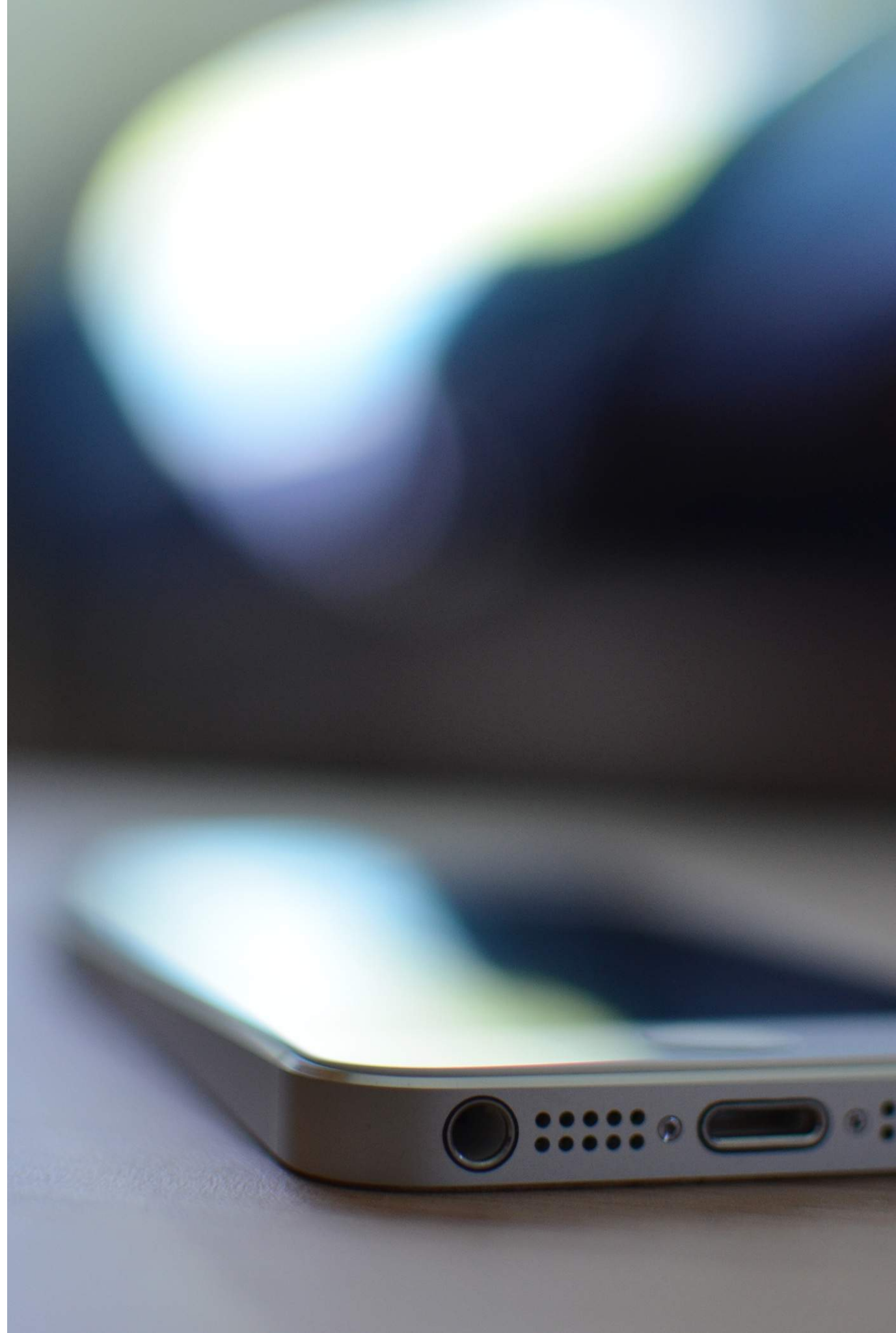
How to make a beneficiary Communication strategy, Data collection & analyzing

Sharing experience in communication on social media connecting with other staff

How to evaluate the engagement efficiently
How to respond to a 'critical' comments on socmed

Today's outcomes

1. Understanding how to communicate so we have stronger engagement with communities.
2. Understanding the importance of engaging and clear communication.
3. Practical pointers and tips for enhancing your current communications with communities.





What role does communication
play?



Communication has a role in community engagement



Different roles and different modes with same aims



Why is it important?

Context of community participation

We have the communication tools that allow a 'radical monopoly' of transmission ...

Context is a 'new', 'information-based' economy is of social inclusion and participation.

'Culture of Remix' and user generated content.



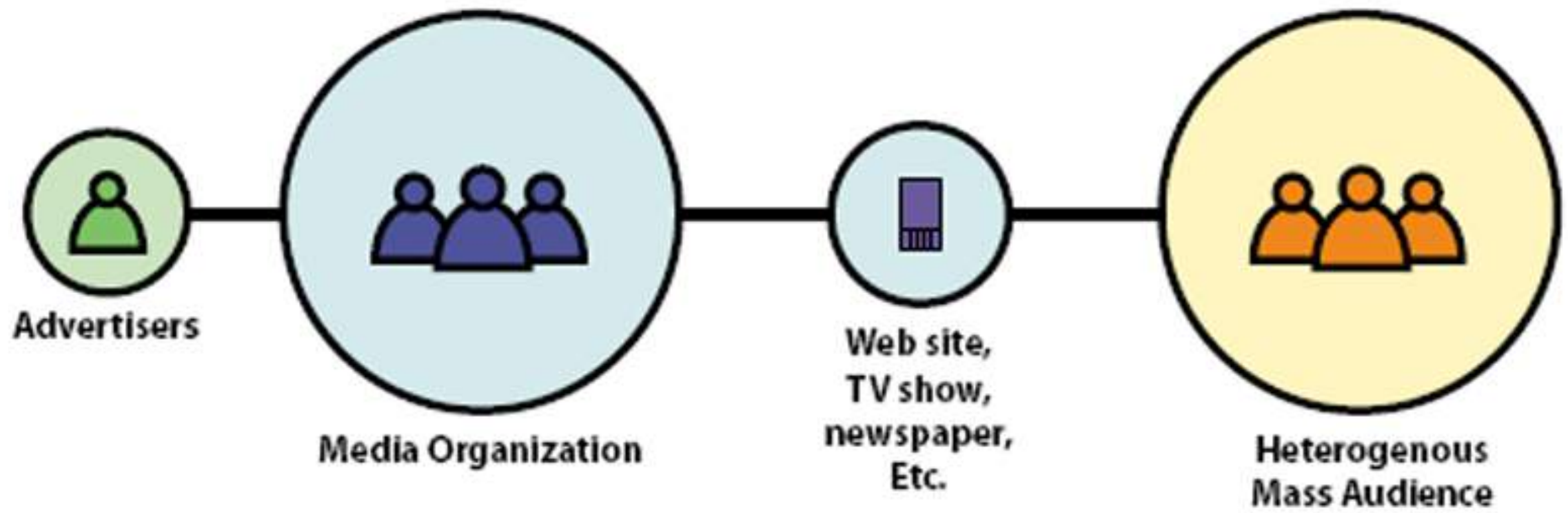
Context of community participation

Consumers want the right to participate and this can be destabilising.

Threatens consolidation, standardisation of our communication.

This is an opportunity which we can build on.









Socialised media space: meeting spaces between a range of grassroots creative communities, each pursuing their own goals, but each helping to shape the total media environment.

Participation gaps?

Should consider if
participation automatic/
with internet cultures/
societies?

Participation is shaped by
a range of factors

Various global strategies
aim to facilitate

participation and

inclusion eg Millennium

Development Goals,

World Summit on the

Information Society





How can we communicate in ways that trigger deeper engagement?

Steps to engaging communication

1. Understand who the community is.
2. Provide information to the community.
3. Have dialogue with the community and listen to feedback.
4. Analyse the information and take action.
5. Work with the community in participation.





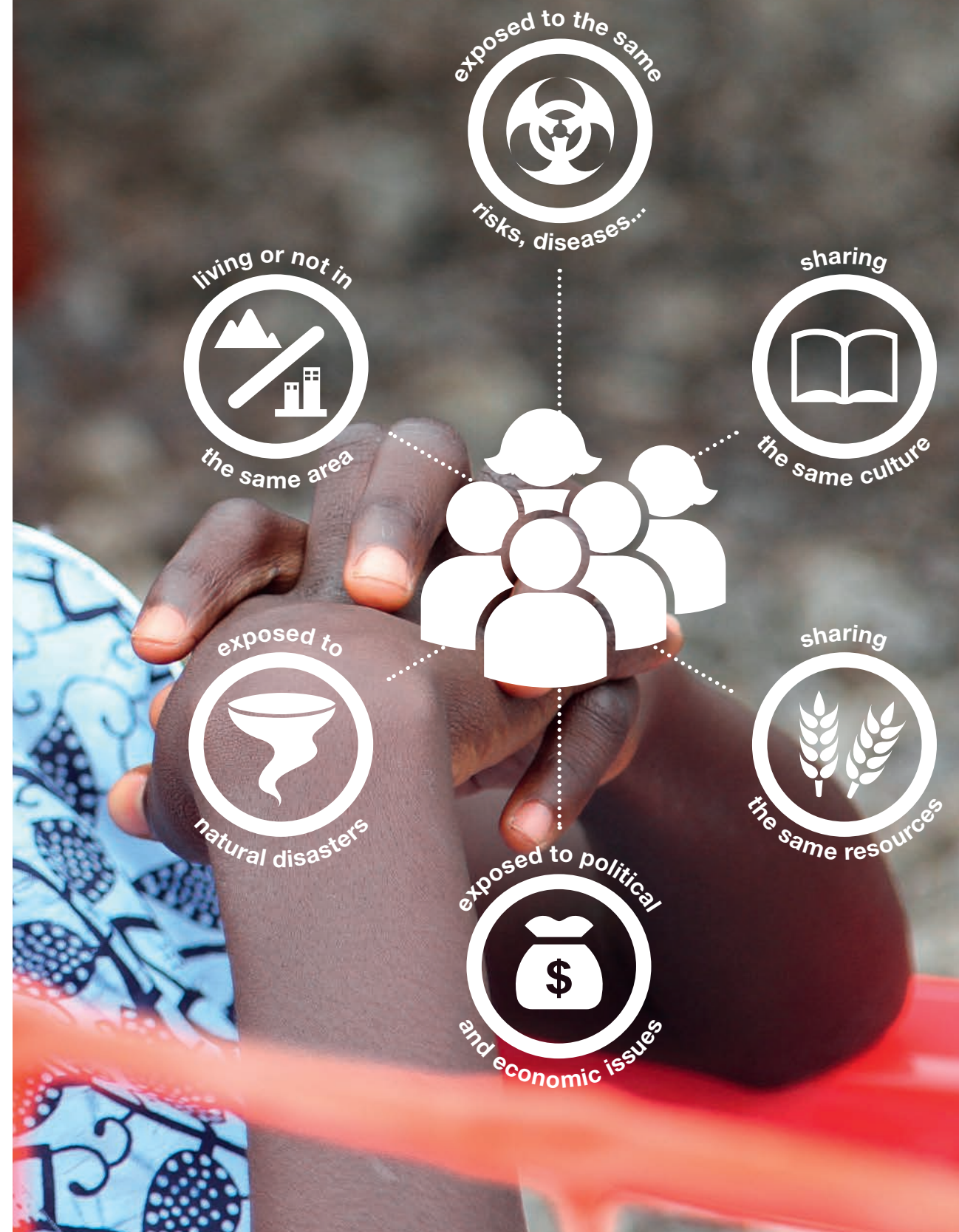
Understanding Community -
Communication with who?

Recap: What is a community?

“A community is a group of people who may or may not live within the same area, village or neighbourhood, share a similar culture, habits and resources.

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Some examples of 'communities' exposed to risks and threats:

- Haiti Earthquake saw one of the largest responses from diaspora community raising money and providing translation for responders (amongst many other things).
- Asian Quake and Tsunami impacted multiple communities both in the countries that were directly affected and indirectly affected.

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Some examples of 'communities'

- Flooding in Thailand has caused the closure of car plants in Florida and seen hundreds of people laid off for weeks and months at a time, because the widget that they needed to run the car plant and the production line was made in Thailand.
- **Community = interconnected and global = communication must reflect this point.**

What is a community?





Tools to identify
community

Tools to identify community

- Identifying community using **primary and secondary information.**
- Primary information could include community surveys, focus groups, assessment or M&E information.



Tools to identify community

- Secondary information such census data or government data, GIS mapping, Clusters (where active) - *see handout for more.*



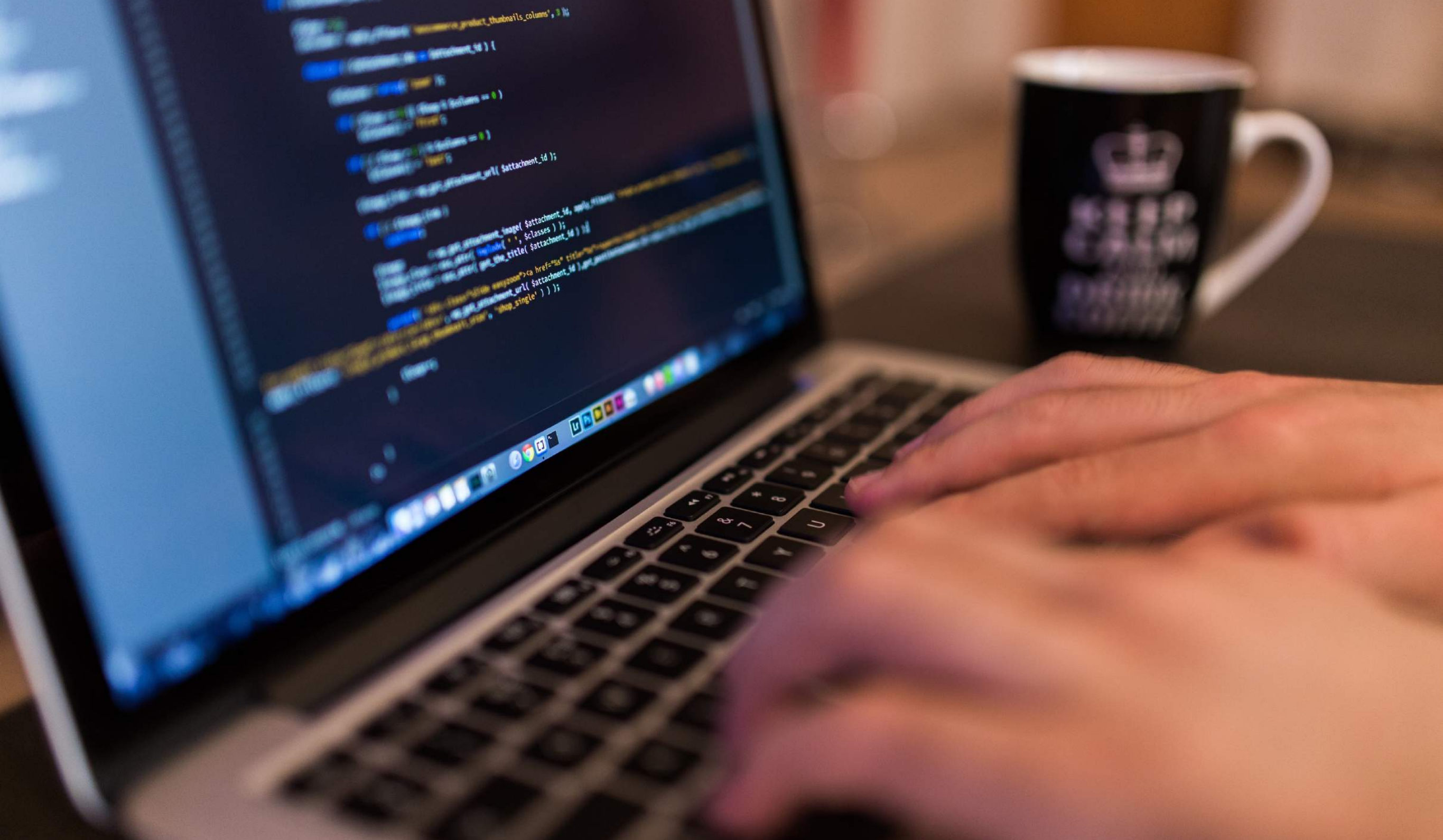
Tools to identify community

- Secondary information from other organisations on community in emergencies.
- <https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/en/home>
- Activate humanitarian ID



	Significant Influence	Some Influence	Little Influence	No Influence
Significant Importance				
Some Importance				
Little Importance				
No Importance				

Analysis of stakeholders online and offline



Online tools to
understand audience

Understanding audience online

Facebook (free)

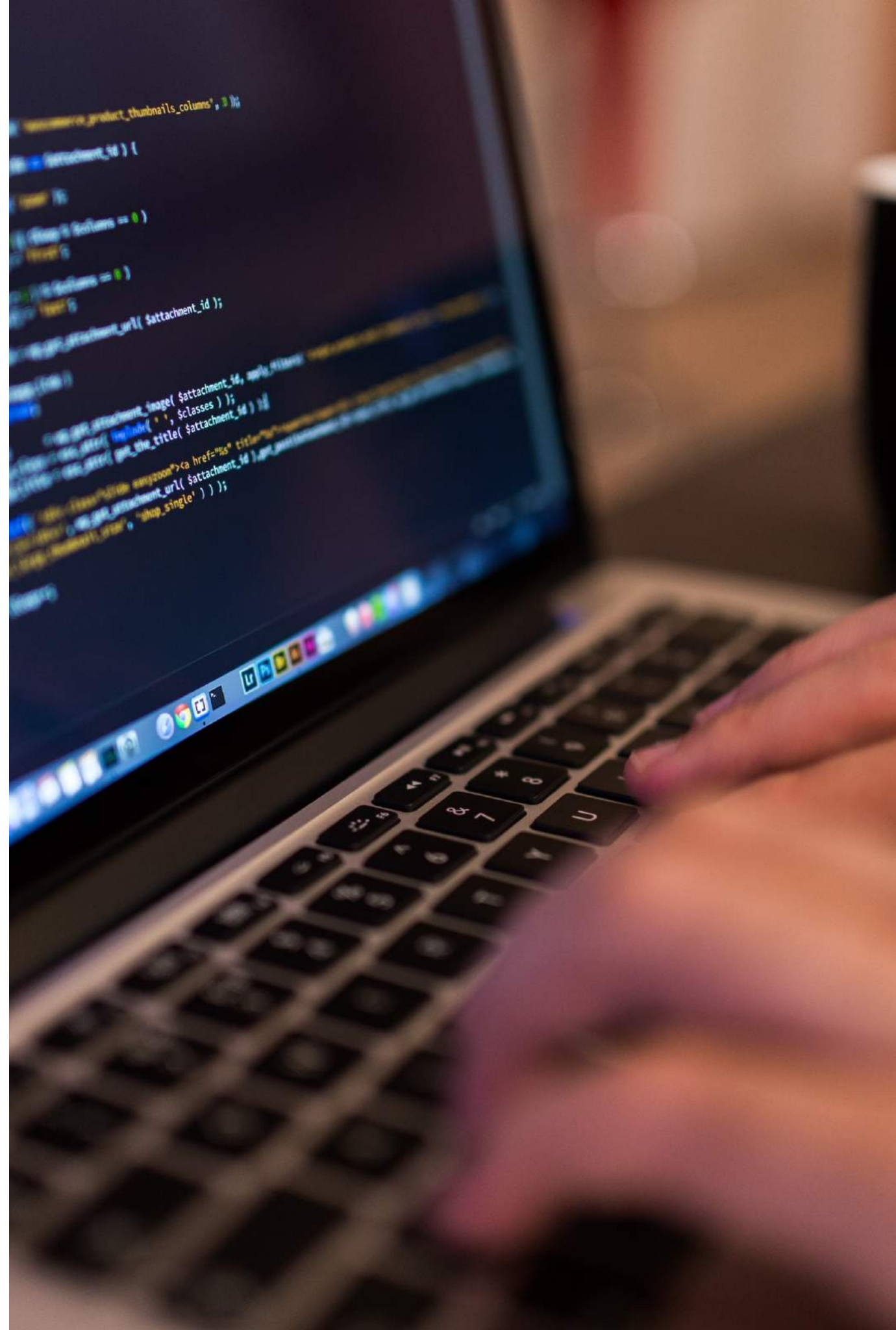
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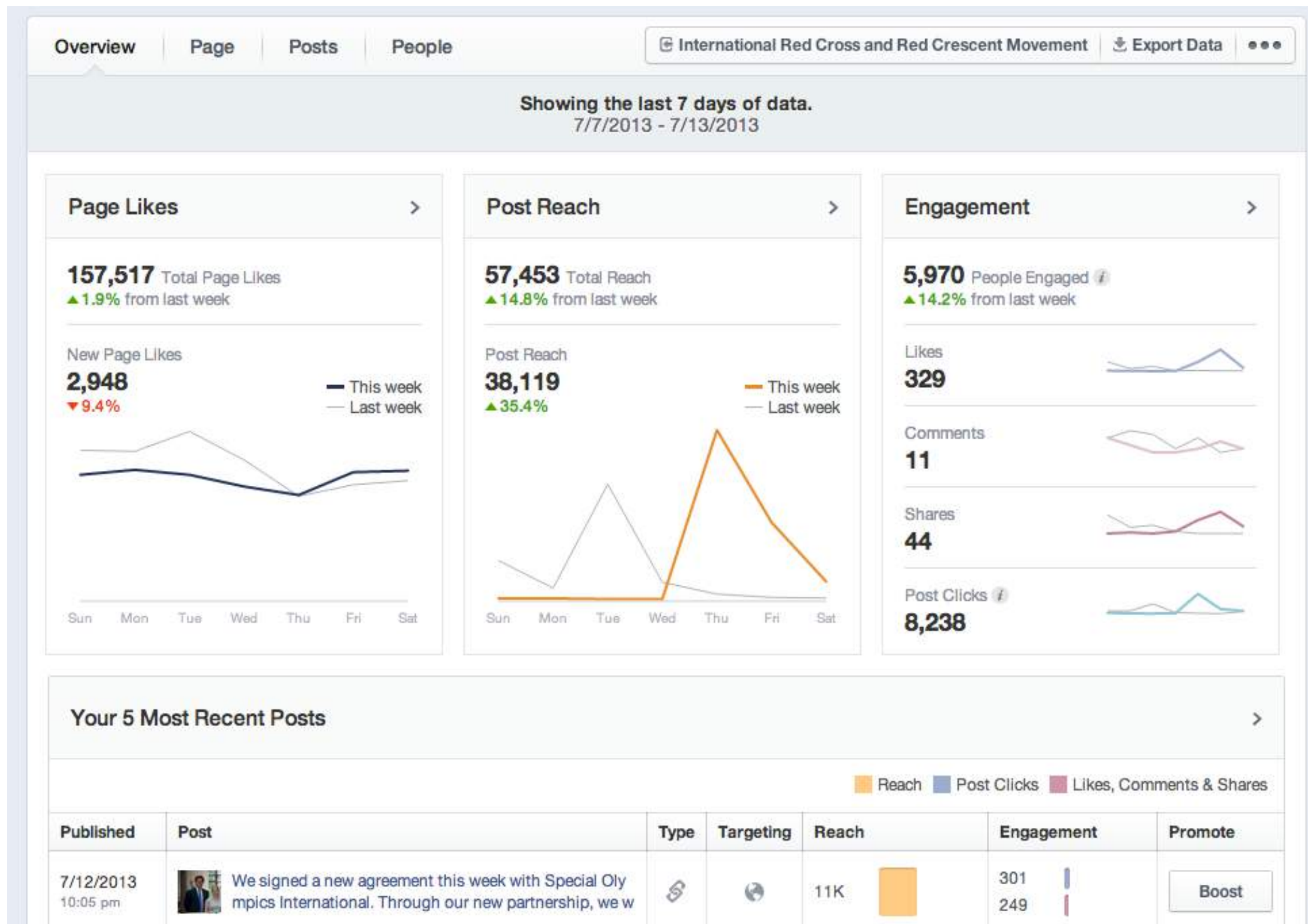
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Facebook pages

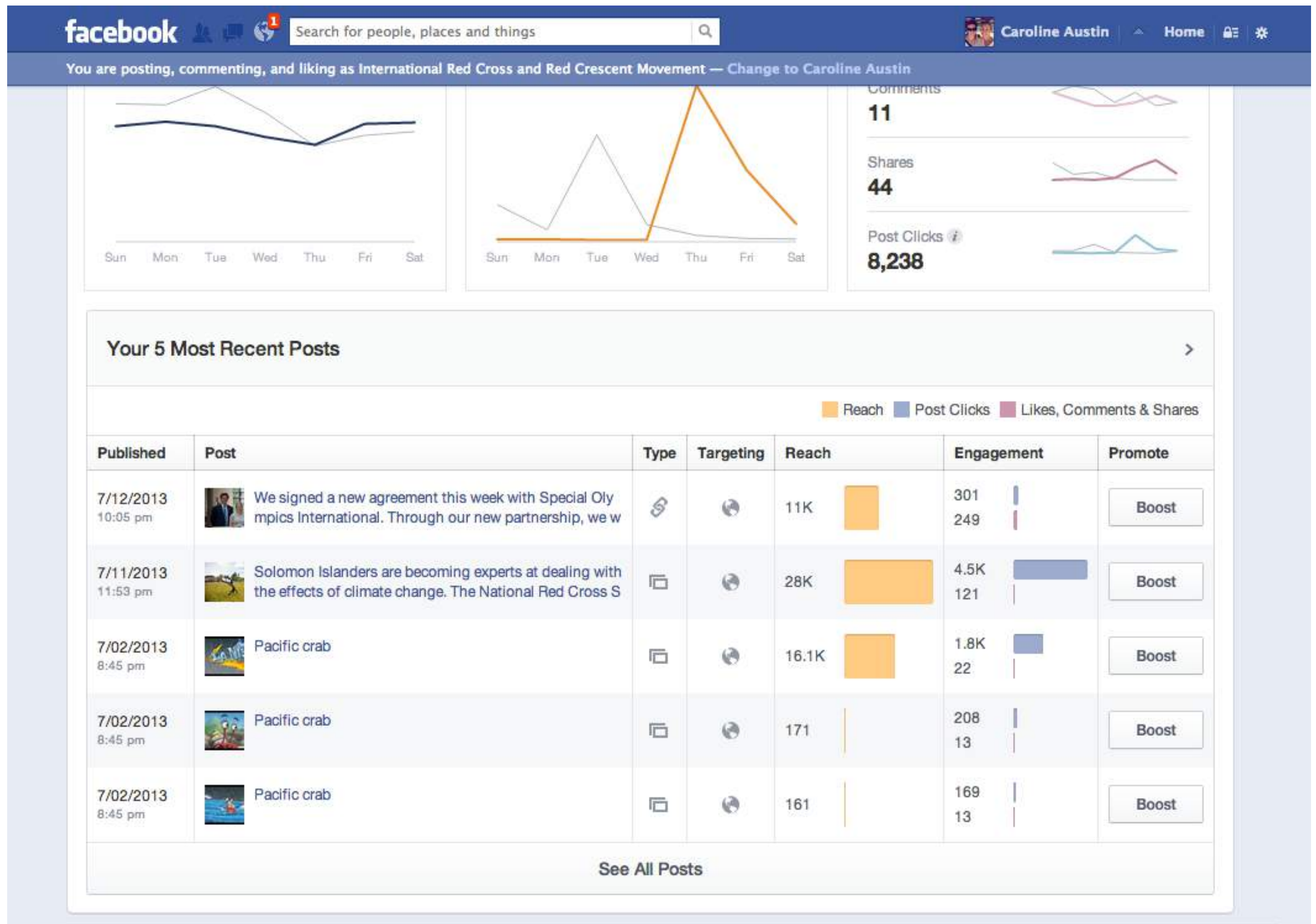
Overview of key metrics
and demographic data.

Help you target content
to your audience





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Online tools for analysis

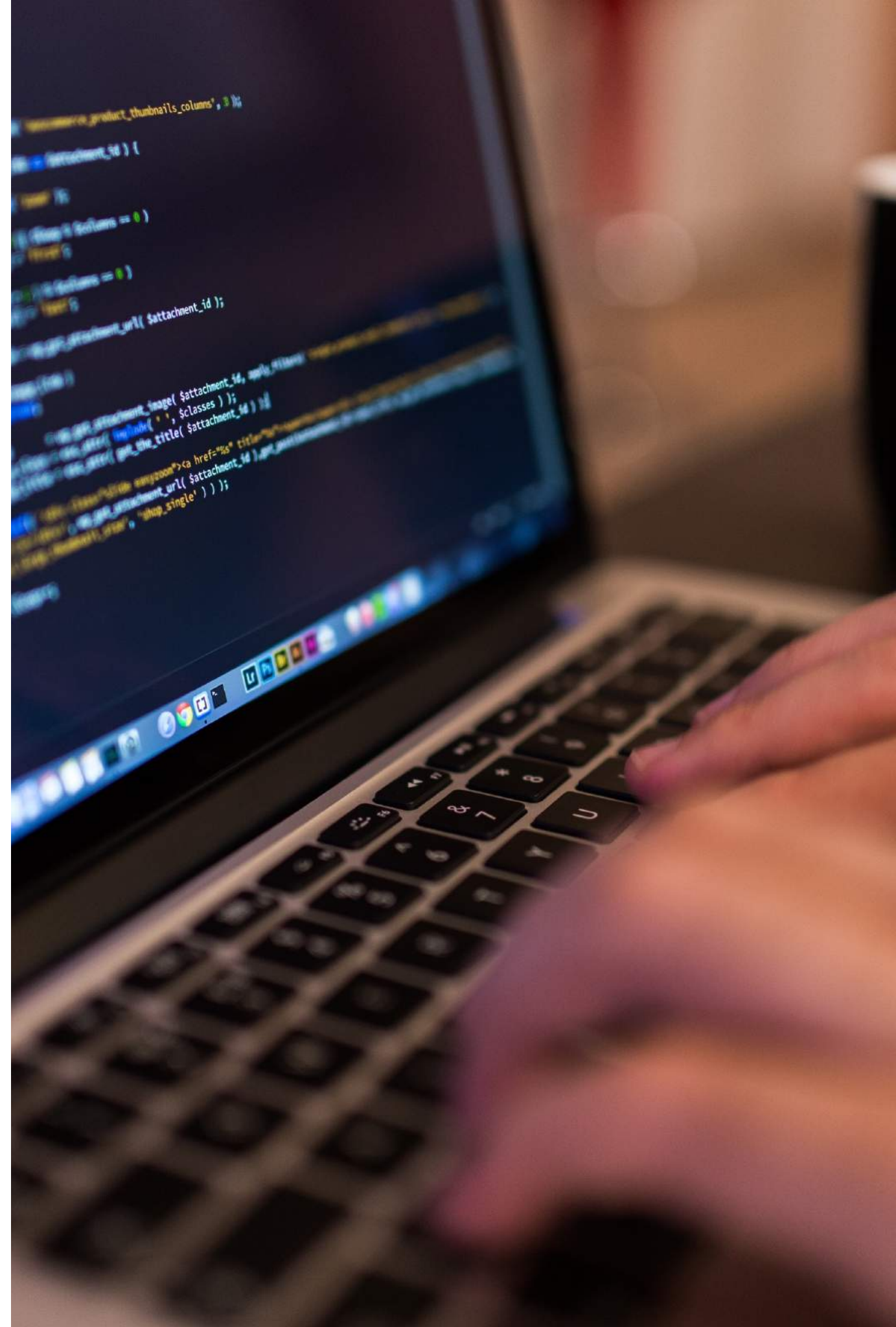
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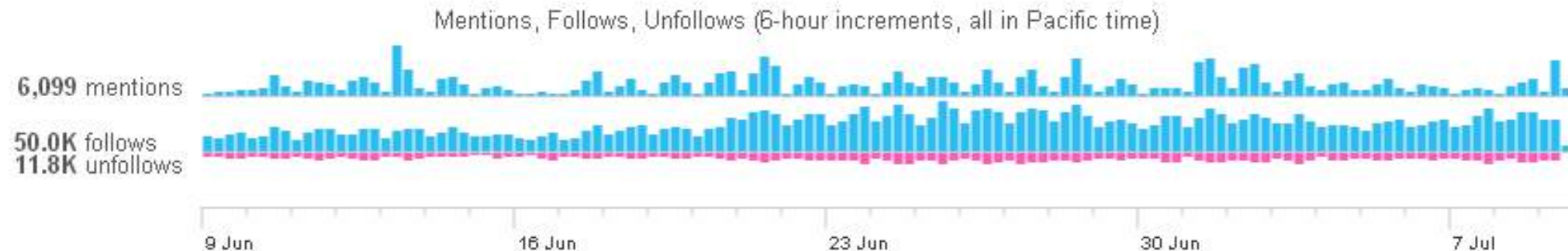
<https://analytics.twitter.com/>

You do NOT have to spend money or have a credit card to use this tool!

Very basic overview showing data on community, some favourites, retweets and replies from community.



Timeline activity

[Download CSV](#)


RECENT TWEETS

SHOW: [BEST](#) [GOOD](#) [ALL](#)

★ FAVES

↻ RETWEETS

↩ REPLIES

#YarnellFire "@bylinecarneLA: @RedCross workers on way to memorial service. 36 response vehicles here to support attendees and community"

3 hours ago
28 Jun 2013, 4:38 PM Pacific time

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As part of our longstanding partnership, we continue to support @redcrosscanada #ABflood relief efforts. rdcrss.org/1aQ0zSx 71 clicks

27 Jun 2013, 8:21 AM Pacific time

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Expecting hot weather soon? Our First Aid app has heat wave advice: americanredcross.3sidedcube.com/sniffer.php 109 clicks Tips: redcross.org/news/article/F... 60 clicks

25 Jun 2013, 2:42 PM Pacific time

17

83

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On #WorldRefugeeDay we honor Manyang and others who were forced to flee their homes. His story: rdcrss.org/1c0Pvzz 54 clicks

20 Jun 2013, 3:46 PM Pacific time

16

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New @TheRock show #TheHero integrates our mission. Contestants earn money for #RedCross through team challenges. redcross.org/supporters/tnt... 176 clicks

6 Jun 2013, 8:21 PM Pacific time

23

86

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Another way to stay connected with @RedCross: Download this app to tell people you're safe: goo.gl/1rR5R 214 clicks

31 May 2013, 10:11 PM Pacific time

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RT @dcschrader Another way to check on loved ones after a tornado: @RedCross Safe and Well. Go to (safeandwell.org 102 clicks) to register.

31 May 2013, 10:08 PM Pacific time

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149

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Twitter analytics (free)



Understanding access
to channels

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Unlocking and understanding the community access to communication channels, information needs and mapping the communication environment

Traditional activity to do this has been: Baseline consultation / assessment.



Mapping channels of communication

In an assessment and/or baseline ask beneficiaries:

How they want to communicate with us

What channels they use for communication and to get information

What information sources they trust.



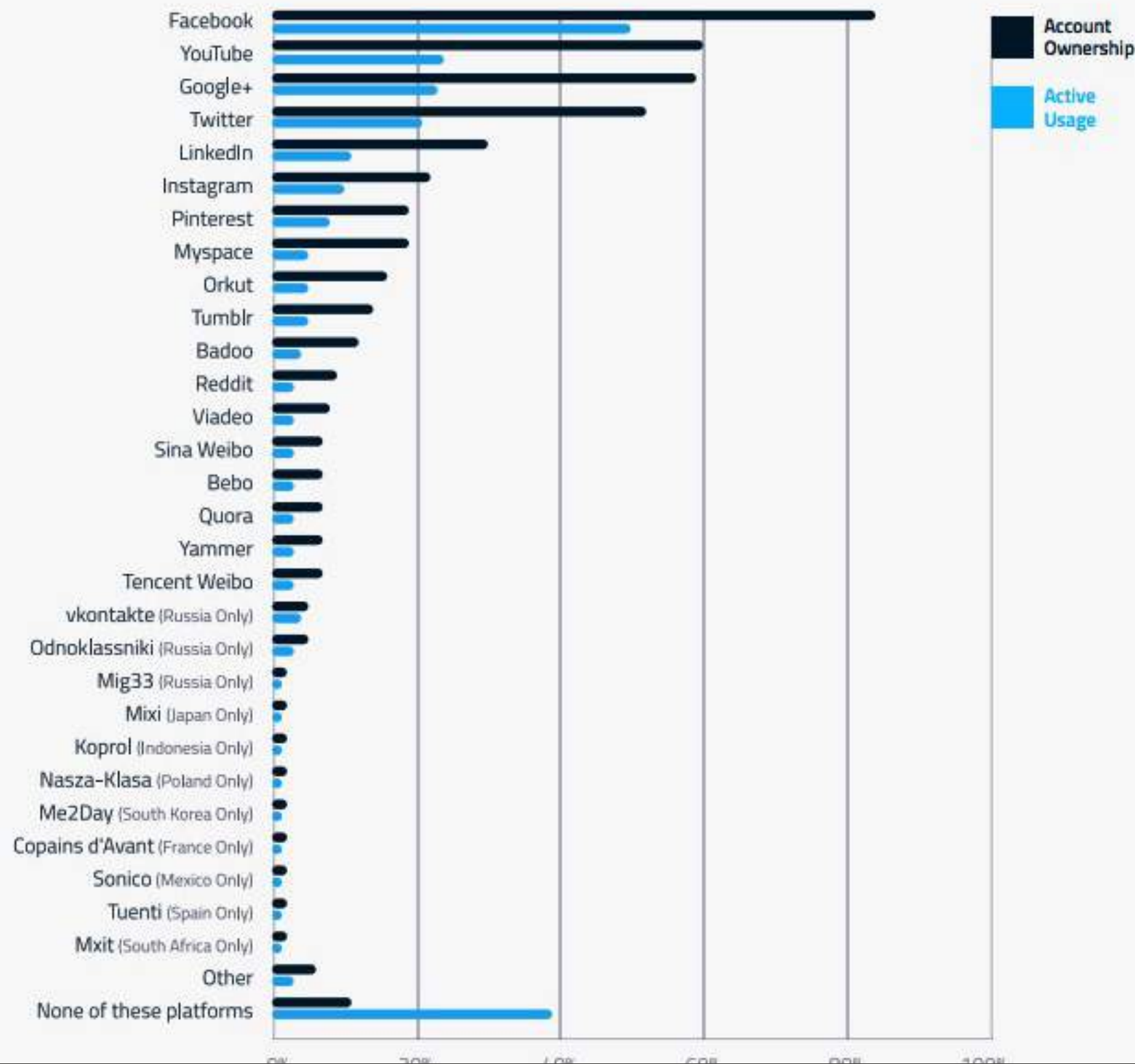
Mapping channels of communication

In some cases mapping does not involve us taking a step to ask the community how they would like us to receive information or give us information.

Internet allows to us gather information without taking that action ourselves.

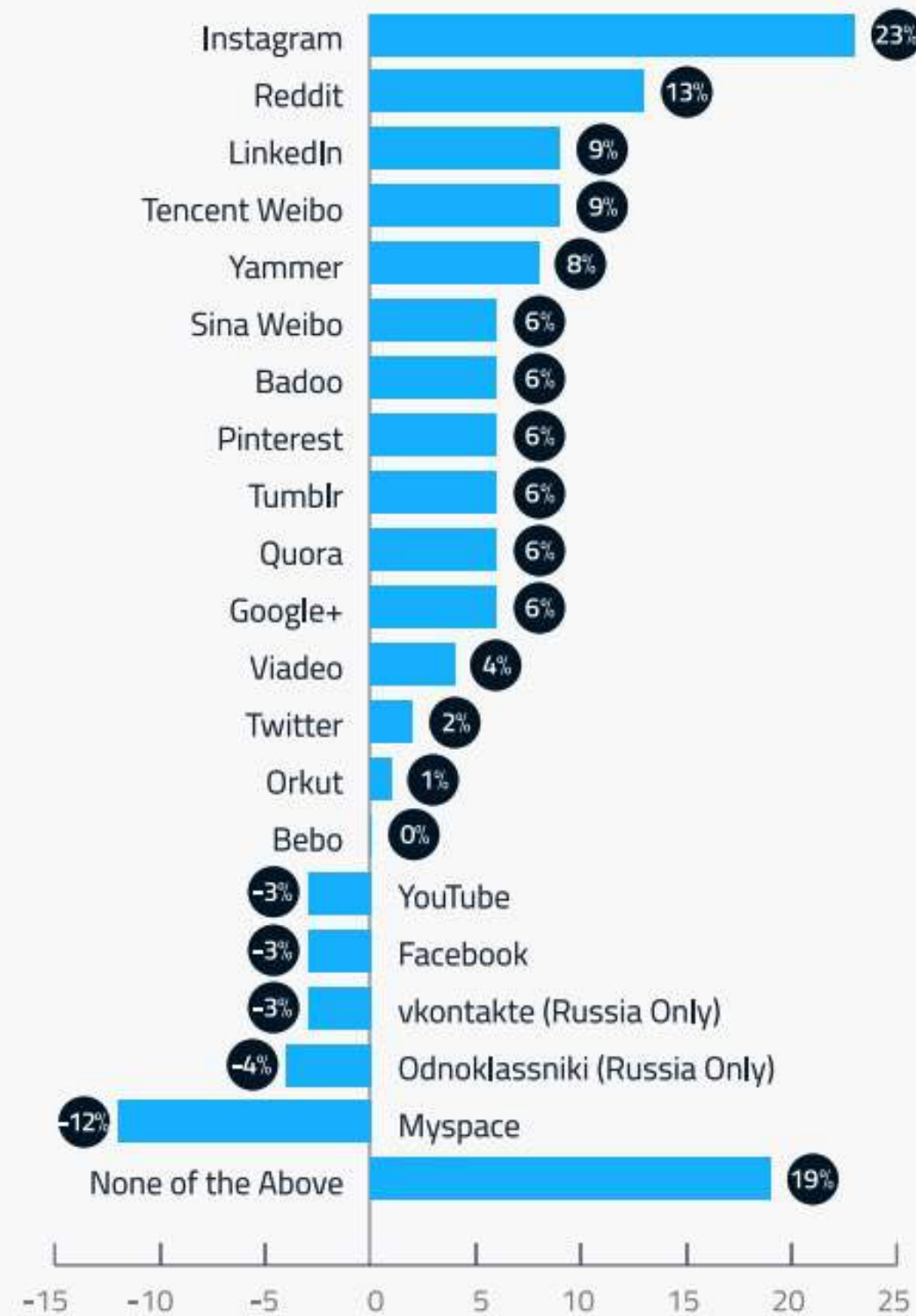


GLOBAL PENETRATION OF SOCIAL PLATFORMS - ACCOUNT OWNERSHIP AND ACTIVE USAGE



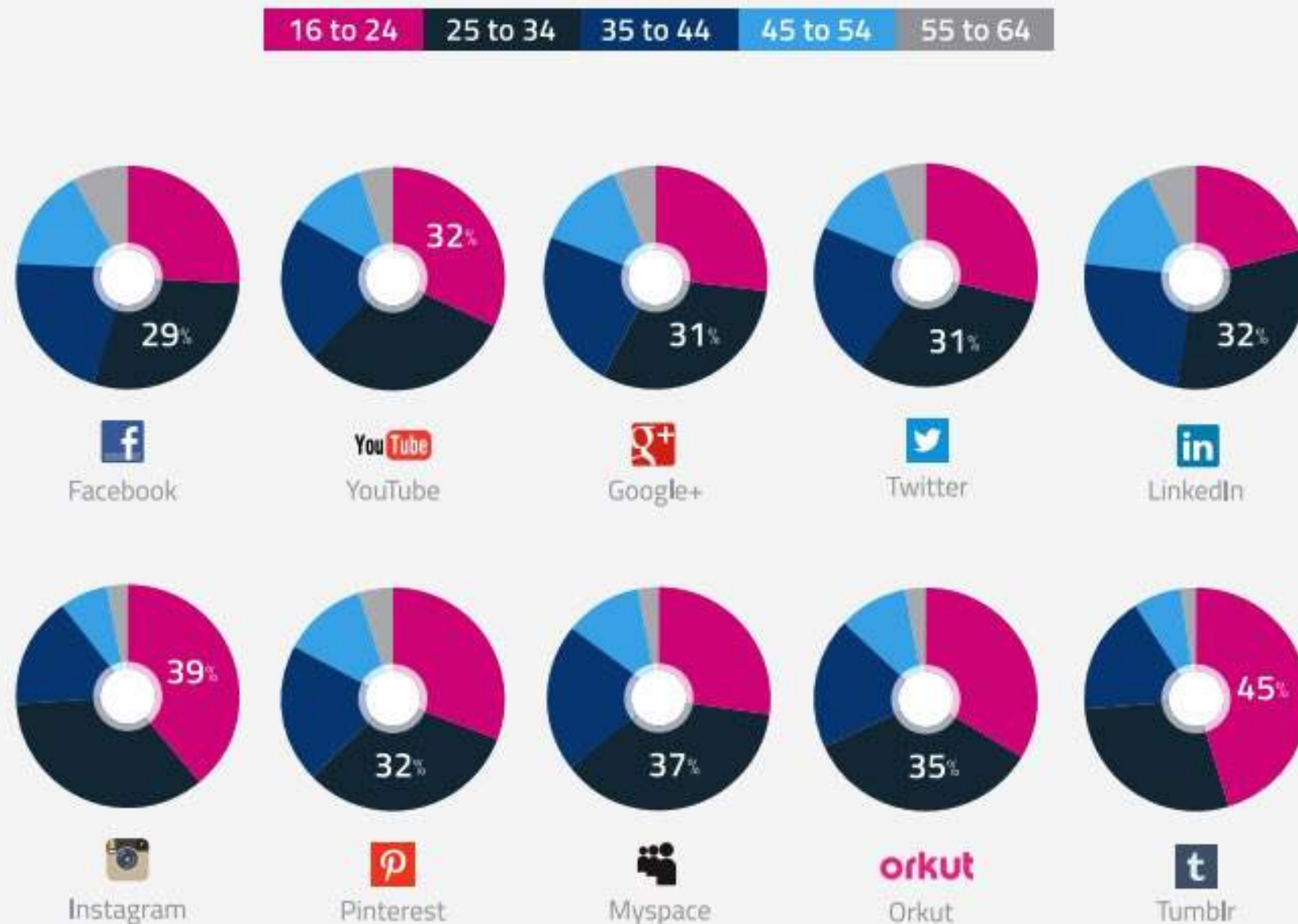
Globalweb index's Research 2015

TOP 20 SOCIAL PLATFORMS - CHANGES IN ACTIVE USAGE



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ACTIVE USERS OF THE TOP 10 SOCIAL PLATFORMS, BY AGE



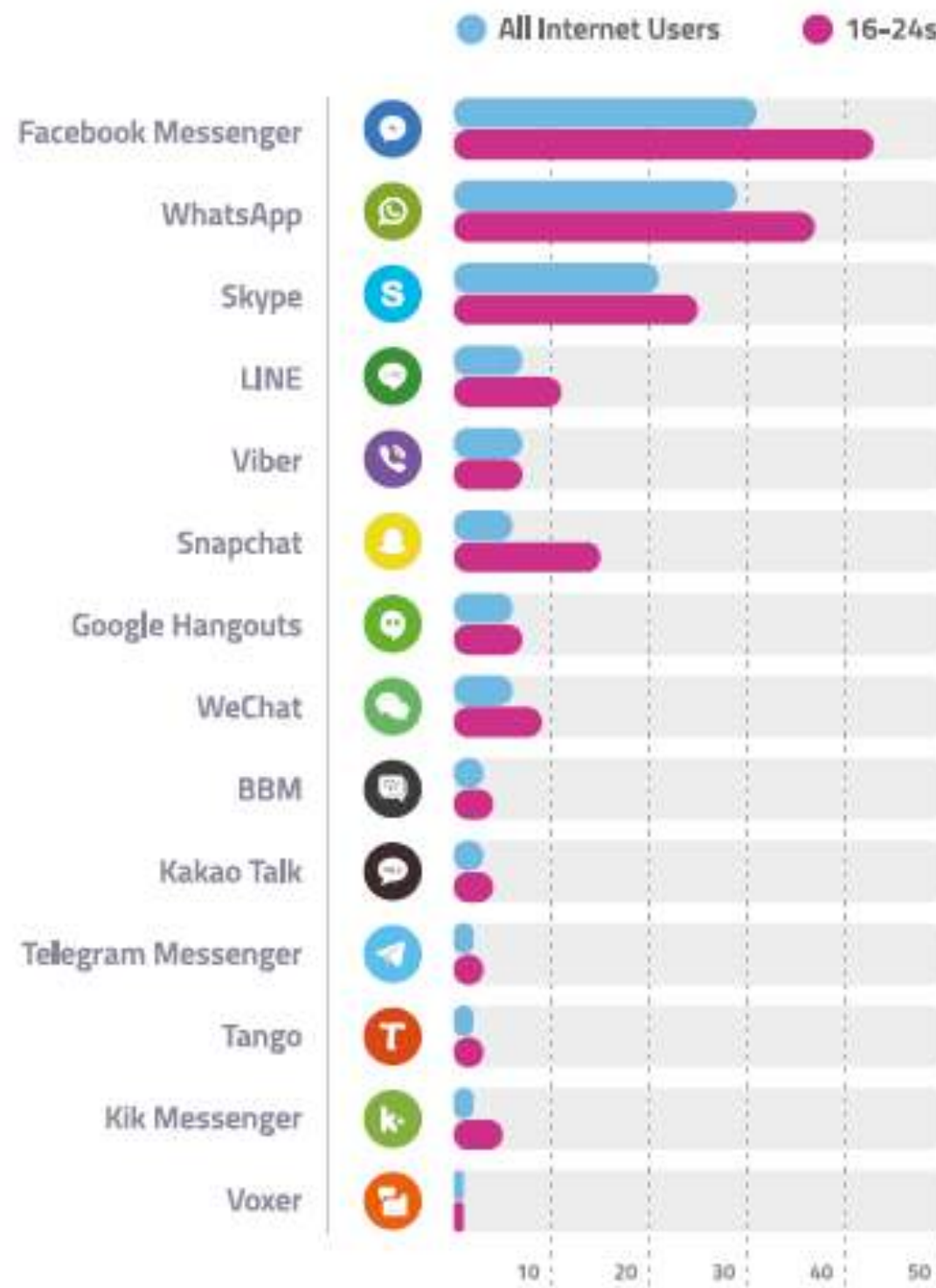
Question: Which of the following services have you used or contributed to in the past month using any type of device?
e.g. PC/Laptop, Mobile phone, tablet, etc

Source: GlobalWebIndex Q4 2013 /// **Base:** Global internet users aged 16-64, exc. China.

Globalweb index's Research 2015

TOP MESSAGING APPS

% who have used the following apps in the last month



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What are people doing online?

- Facebook: 1.1 billion visitors/month, 300 million photos uploaded/day
- YouTube: 1 billion visitors/month
- QQ: 700 million visitors/month
- Twitter: 300 million visitors/month, 175 million tweets are sent/day
- Google+: 340 million/month
- WeChat (app): 320 million/month
- Instagram (app): 40 million photos/day

Considerations in access to channels

Language: dialects etc.

Mobility - most users are mobile.

Power structures:
traditional community
power structures.

Digital divide: access to internet.

Have you come across others?





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Matching tools to challenges.

Principles of good communication

Studies have found that the traits we find most appealing in other people are those that are socially oriented:

- Be natural
- Be considerate
- Be generous
- Be true
- Be social

To meaningful communicate as National Societies we must embody these traits too offline and online.





**This is not a question of tools, but of
having a social mindset!**



The art of conversation

“It’s important to assert here that you can’t ‘win’ a conversation. Conversations are about a mutual exchange of value; if you’re trying to win, that’s most likely called an argument.

Beyond the sharing of information and knowledge, a big part of the mutual exchange of value in a conversation is the opportunity to deepen bonds and strengthen relationships.

But this is an area where many fall down, we believe that we have more to teach our audiences than we might learn from those audiences in return” *Social Brands: The Future Of Marketing*, @wearesocialsg



The art of conversation

If you want to you understand your community as people (and have meaningful conversation and engagement): understand their behaviour, their attitudes and beliefs, their motivations... In short, you need to understand their lives.



Its there if you listen...

When we explore people's social media activities with an open mind, we're almost certain to find something of value.

However, we miss this value, because they're too busy 'listening' for explicit mentions of brand names or campaign hashtags.

We need to spend more time actively getting to know our audiences, by being personally involved in the listening process.



Its there if you listen...

By paying attention to the statements and conversations that people share in public social media, we can gain a far deeper understanding of what people actually want, need and desire.

We don't need to collect everything in one go, either; by spending just 5 minutes a day actively listening to the conversations of a subset of your audience, you'll quickly gain an affinity for the things they care about.



People talk about value and benefits

For example, if you're a shampoo brand, don't just listen out for mentions of Pantene, Dove and Head & Shoulders; ultimately, people don't pay for shampoo, they pay for beautiful hair, so listen out for the broader conversations they're having about hair.

By adopting this broader approach, you'll quickly gain insights into people's problems and motivations, their preferences, and their needs.

What are the value words we might listen out for?



Tools to listen

[Tweetdeck](#) and [HootSuite](#), [Talkwalker](#) as well as powerful aggregators such as [Sysomos](#) and [Radian6](#), to keep an ear open throughout the day and identify opportunities to join other people's conversations.

Free listening tools: [socialmention](#), [addictomatic](#) and [twazzup](#).



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+ Add Stream + Add Social Network

#smem Search carolineawrites

FoxRn1 retweeted

kc5fm
Nov 17, 1:54pm via Tweeko
"Virtual EMA Pre-Launch is underway"
bit.ly/1NdUDTq #SMEM #VOST
1 retweet 2 likes

slvrfrx retweeted

HumanityRoad
Nov 17, 7:36am via GroupTweet
#SMEM External Affairs Students check out this internship
humanityroad.org/job/drpf/ #hmrdr via ^cg
6 retweets

FoxRn1 retweeted

Jdlazo
Nov 17, 6:41am via Twitter for Android
Some of the non-profits that can help w/ #smem in disaster: @HumanityRoad @Digihums #IAEM15 Add some more!
6 retweets 6 likes

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#SMEM External Affairs Students check out this internship
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prv3130
Nov 17, 10:08am via Twitter for iPhone
#MondayMotivation #RESILIENCE
"...Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed..." 2Cor.4:9
#DayByDay

resilience

noun

1. the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness "the often remarkable resilience of so many British institutions"
2. the ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape;

VKZaveri
Nov 17, 5:11am via Twitter for BlackBerry®
Life goes on, show of #resilience, #EiffelTower open and lit in tricolor! #Paris

kimvie retweeted

TallaTrialogue
Nov 16, 6:59am via Mobile Web (M2)
@oconnellbrian #resilience & will to survive - finding meaning in the suffering 20 years madinamerica.com/2015/11/a-ment... @TallaTrialogue
1 retweet

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Nov 16, 3:14pm via Tweet Old Post
rohitdangar.com/?p=2038 #gadgets #meshnetworking #tc #wifi #wirelessnetworking #Trending #News #Startups #HowTo #DIY #Android #HowTo #Apps

K2NE
Nov 15, 6:05pm via Twitter Web Client
#HamRadio #Packet #APRS #meshnetworking #antennas #diy #vhfdx
YOUR PICK - BARGAINS!
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K2NE Ham Radio 'HamWare' CDs

Basic Ham and Shortwave Listener Software Collection CD is CD includes the latest FCC Examination Question Pool updated 15.	Download	\$10.00	Add to Cart
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K2NE
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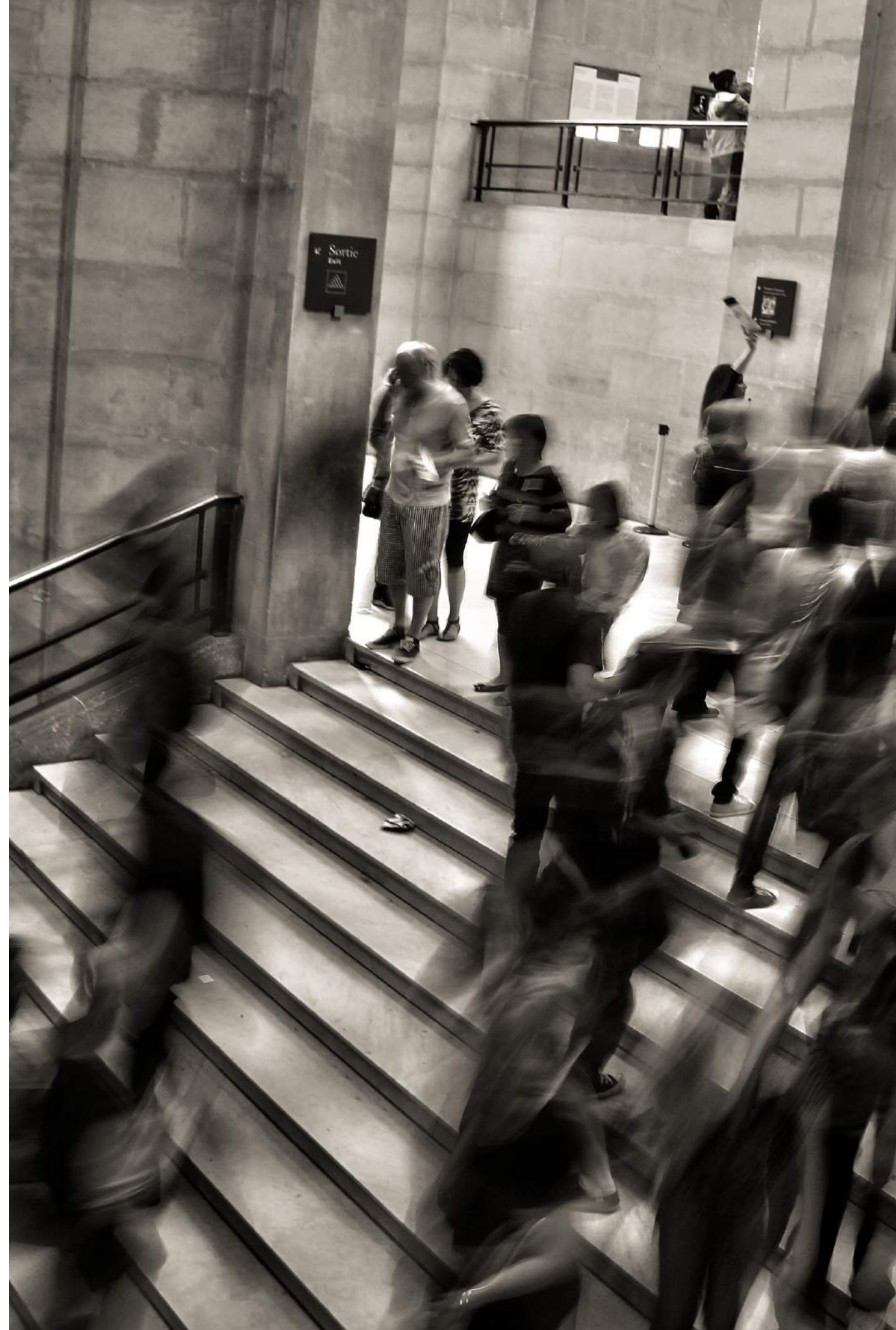
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K2NE Ham Radio 'HamWare' CDs

Hootsuite: live demonstration

Exercise

1. Spend 20 minutes thinking of a word that your community might use that is relevant to your current work/programmes.
2. Look up that word on social media (search Facebook or twitter using your word with # hashtag in front).
3. Consider what the conversations tell you about the topic.
4. Discuss in small groups at your table - did you learn something new?
5. Change your social media stream to these value or impact words if appropriate.



Starting point: top issues for humanity



In 2003, Nobel Laureate Richard E. Smalley outlined Humanity's Top Ten Problems for the next 50 years:

- energy
- water
- food
- environment
- poverty
- war
- disease
- education
- democracy
- population



Top ten issues facing youth today:

- single parent household
- drug/alcohol abuse
- growing up too fast
- violence in schools
- materialism
- obesity
- education disparity
- unemployment
- poverty
- erosion of cultural identity

Steps to listening online - takeaways

1. Find a few dozen people talking about something generic (but relevant to RCRC) on social media
2. Read through some of their other recent posts.
3. Build a simple list of keywords to search for from this.
4. Make a regular weekly appointment to listen to people talking about those terms.
5. Listen to what they're saying about other things too; this way, you'll quickly build a more understanding of your community.





Art of communication
exercise

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1. Break into 3 small groups
2. Discuss the scenario and questions
3. Feed back to the whole group.

The exercise will take approximately 45 minutes.



Critical comments on Social media

Some suggested steps:

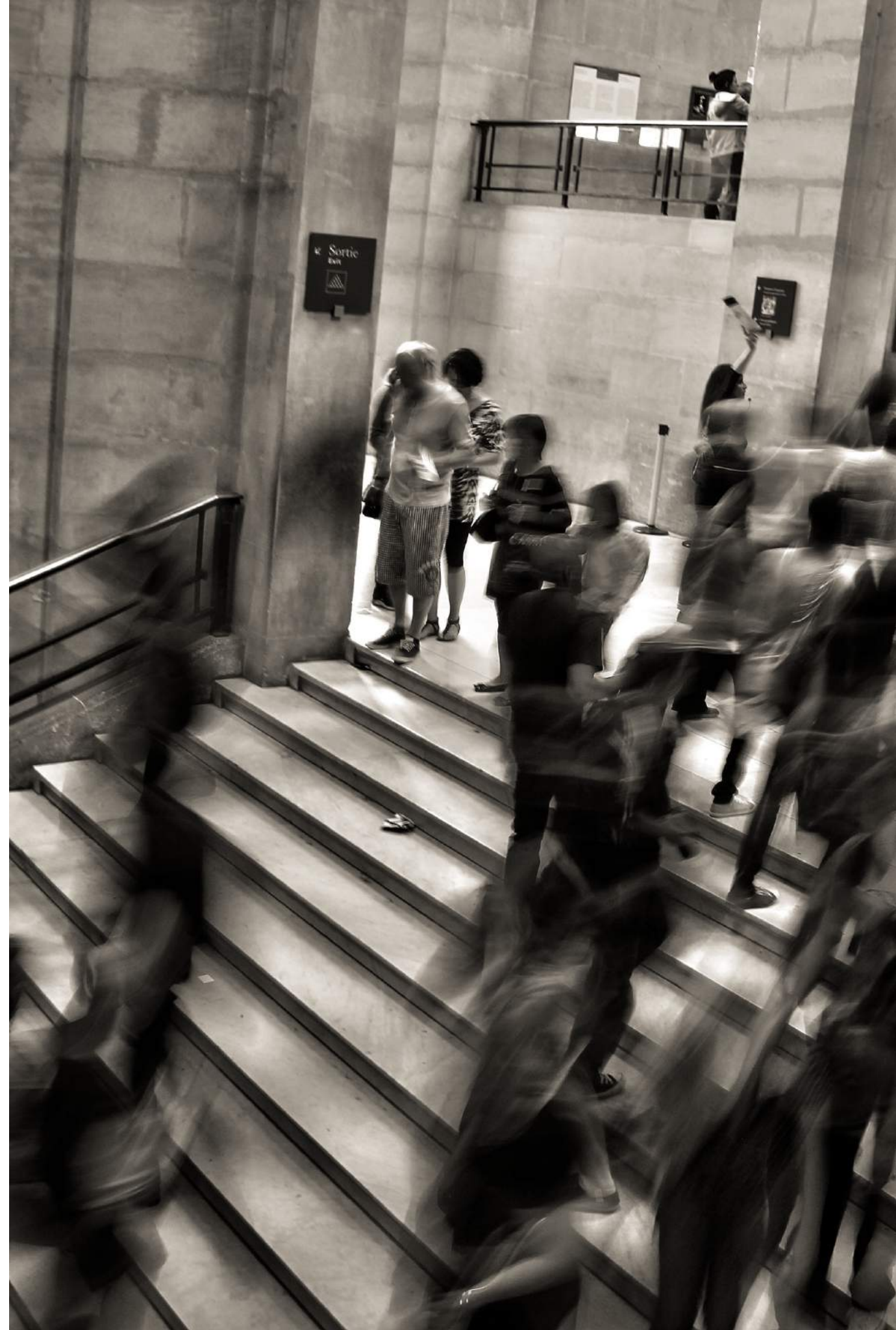
Listening to communities frequently.

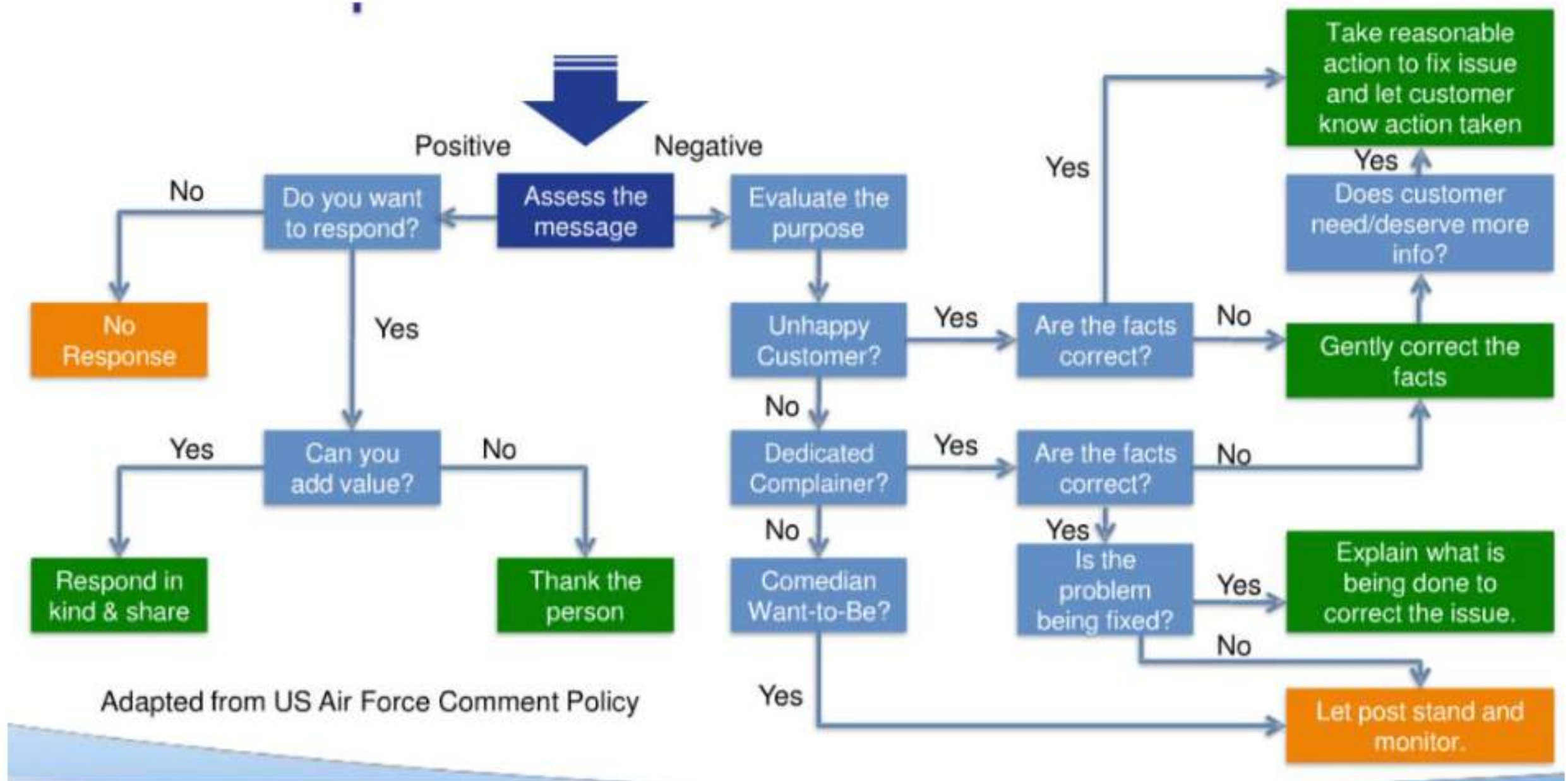
Taking account of the needs of those communities and providing clear and timely communication.

Explaining decisions and actions when needed (not every comment needs a response).

Being accountable by providing avenues to raise complaints and concerns.

Agree or disagree?





Responding to critical comments on Social Media

Context		Tweet	Additional info	Retweets	Notes
Ukraine		<p>Alex Bukovsky @BungeeWedgie Oct 21 2014 "Fair help" fund: the representative of the Intl Red Cross refused to help w/ sending medicine to E #Ukraine 4 political reasons.</p>	<p>1,530 followers Writer</p>	22	<p>Head of Fair Aid Charity said ICRC refused to help with evacuation of Ukrainian children from warzone based on "critical approach to the policies run by Russian President Putin."</p>
<p>IL-OT ICRC criticised for its overall performance (by Pro-Israelis and Pro-Palestinians amongst other groups)</p>		<p>Mohammed Omer @Mogaza Jul 19 International Red Cross @ICRC failed to coordinate for ambulances. growing dissatisfaction with ICRC performance, unlike 2008 war!</p>	<p>18,647 followers Award winning journalist</p>	116	

Source: Social Media Summit 2015, How to handle reputation online, ICRC

Resources

Step by step monitoring guide for hootsutie.

Step by step monitoring guide for facebook.

Step by step monitoring guide for twitter

Step by step monitoring guide for youtube.

Source: ICRC TRAK Guidelines 2015.

