

Bürgerjournalismus in Entwicklungs- und Schwellenländern

Die Bedeutung neuer Medien für politische Kommunikation und Teilhabe





Politische und technische Rahmenbedingungen



Entwicklungsrecht und neue Medien

- Durch WSIS 2003 / 2005 und zuletzt durch AU Gipfel 2010 auf hoher politischer Agenda
- In Deutschland
 - ICT4D: <http://www.gtz.de/de/themen/uebergreifende-themen/8266.htm>
 - Medienentwicklungsförderung:
<http://listi.jpberlin.de/mailman/listinfo/fome>
- Größte Herausforderungen aus Sicht der internationalen Entwicklungsgemeinschaft: Internet Governance, Infrastruktur, und Inklusivität

Medienlandschaften

“There is as two-speed Africa now – an Africa of virtuous countries, which show the most respect for press freedom and the work of journalists, and an Africa of countries such as Gambia and Rwanda that regard journalists as the enemy. The media diversity in Mali has nothing in common with Eritrea’s complete absence of independent media. The ability of journalists in Ghana to express their views and be outspoken is infinitely greater than that of their colleagues in Equatorial Guinea.”

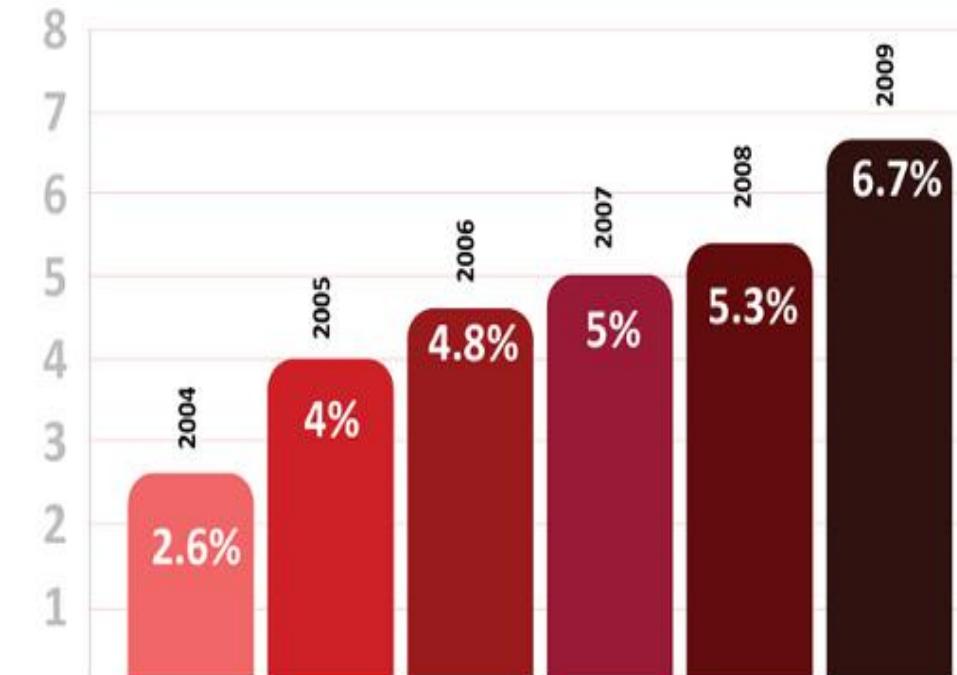
Reporters Without Borders, <http://en.rsf.org/press-freedom-index-2009,1001.html>

Internet in Afrika

- Anzahl der Internetnutzer in Afrika hat sich zwischen 2000 und 2009 mehr als verzehnfacht.
- Wachstum wurde vor allem von Kenia und Nigeria vorangetrieben
- Nach wie vor limitierend sind Qualität und Erschwinglichkeit von Internetzugängen, vor allem in ländlichen Gegenden

Africa's use of the internet has grown by 1,359.9% since 2000. The chart below shows the trend from 2004 on.

INTERNET PENETRATION 2004 to 2009



Grafik: Appafrica

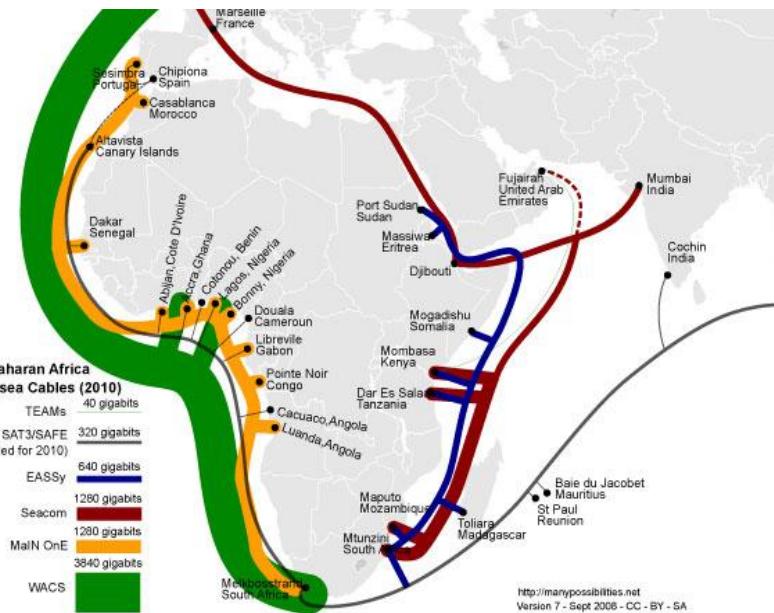
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Neue Kabel = neue Nutzer?

2009 Seacom

2010 Eassy

2019 CAB



Bildquelle: Seacom/ Appafrica

Mobilfunk in Afrika

“No other technology has ever had such a spread, not only in Africa, but also worldwide. Nowadays, mobile phones are used for all kinds of purposes and have a tremendous impact, and surely this will unleash even more opportunities.”

(Christian Kreutz, SMS Uprising, 2010)

	Festnetzanschlüsse	Mobilfunkanschlüsse	Internetnutzer
Afrika	2.4 %	47.0 %	30.6 %
Weltweit	2.5 %	23.0 %	17.0 %

International Telecommunications Union (ITU), Information Society Statistical Profiles, 2009, S.14

Africa Online



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Facebook Swahili version launched

The social-networking website Facebook has launched in Swahili, targeting more than 110m speakers of the language.

A group of Swahili scholars launched the new version with the permission of the California-based internet firm.

Facebook use has spread over the past five years in East and Central Africa, where most Swahili-speakers live.

Analysts say a Hausa version could be launched next in West Africa and Zulu for southern Africa. Facebook already exists in Afrikaans.

Symon Wonda, one of the project's initiators, said they wanted to launch a Swahili version to safeguard the future of the language.

"The youth, the future generation, if you look at the biggest percentage of users on Facebook, they are the youth," he told the BBC's Network Africa programme.

"They can easily navigate through when it's maybe a language they understand, which makes it easier to use the Swahili than to use the English."

The BBC's Ruth Nesoba, in Nairobi, says the Swahili site has already



„There is a growing number of people with Internet access of some form and people who know about blogs and social media – maybe relative to the population we have not yet reached a critical mass, but it is the rate at which it is growing we need to look at“

(Sokari Ekine, Interview, 2009)

Bürgerjournalismus und Citizens' Media



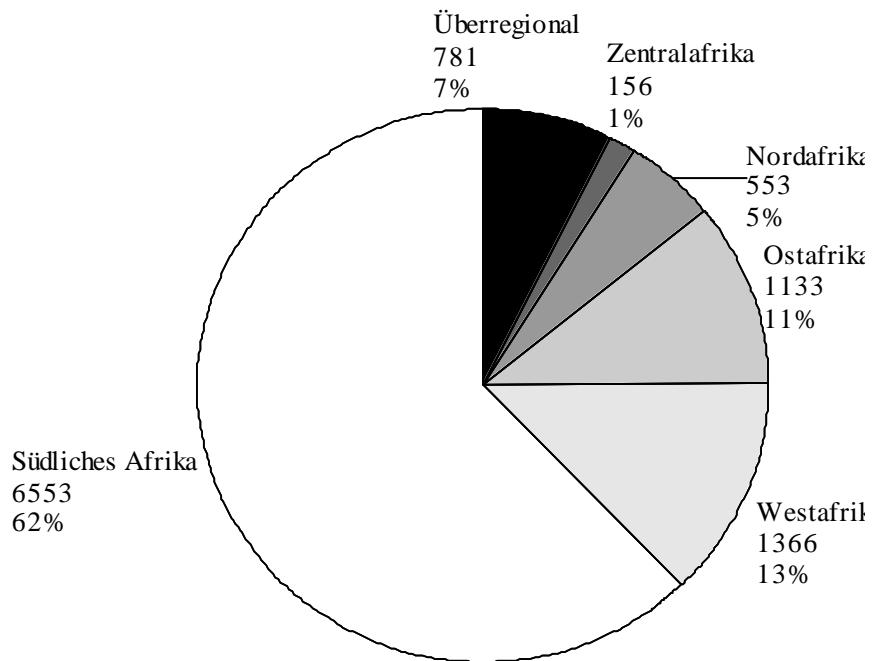
Bürgerjournalismus 2.0: Afrika's Blogosphäre

„Blogs are helping combat a stereotypical image of Africa. [...] Sometimes the mainstream media coverage paints such a tainted picture [...] we have the responsibility to tell our story and need to step up to make a better job of covering ourselves – and blogs are one way of achieving that.“

(Ory Okolloh, Interview, 2009)

Anzahl afrikanischer Blogs nach Regionen

Quelle: Afrigator.com, Stand 26.07.2009; Gesamt: 10552
Regionen nach United Nations Statistics Division



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Government defends need to legislate on homosexuality

Monday, 21st December, 2009

By Steven Candia
The New Vision

The Government has explained that the anti-homosexuality Bill was introduced by a private member, David Bahati, and not the Government. Responding to criticism from countries and organisations that promote human rights and democracy, foreign affairs minister Sam Kutesa said it was the MP's democratic right to introduce a Bill.

"To that extent, the Government cannot be seen to interfere with his rights as an MP," he said in a statement over the weekend. "It is inconsistent to promote gay rights and at the same time demand that the right of a Member of Parliament to legislate be interfered with."

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Homosexuals face death penalty

Regarding homosexuals and lesbians

Friday, 11th December, 2009

By John Nagenda
The New Vision

It is a truth universally acknowledged that this column cuts directly and to the point to issues concerned. But there are subjects which spring so deeply from within the human psyche that attempting to ride roughshod over them becomes dangerously counter productive.

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Homosexual admits recruiting students

Monday, 23rd March, 2009

By Paul Kiwuwa

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The bigger picture

Digitaler Bürgerjournalismus in Afrika gilt als zunehmend wichtige Größe bei der medialen Selbstdarstellung, der Verbreitung von aktuellen Informationen und als Plattform für sozial-politische Diskurse.

<http://rising.globalvoicesonline.org>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Rising Voices website. At the top, there is a blue header with the logo 'Rising Voices' and the tagline 'Helping the global population join the global conversation'. Below the header is a green navigation bar with links for Home, About, Projects (which is the active page), News, Guides, Apply, Video, and RSS feed. The main content area has a light gray background. On the left, there is a section titled 'Active Rising Voices Projects' listing three projects: 'Nazra for Feminist Studies', 'Women of Minya Day by Day', and 'Mokattam Blog Tales', each with a small thumbnail image. On the right, there is a box for the 'GlobalVoices CITIZEN MEDIA SUMMIT 2010 Santiago, May 6-7' with the same logo. Below it are sections for 'About' (describing the mission) and 'Get Involved' (with links to Twitter and Facebook).

Rising Voices
Helping the global population join the global conversation

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About

Rising Voices aims to extend the benefits and reach of citizen media by connecting online media activists around the world and supporting their best ideas. [read more »](#)

Get Involved

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Become a fan on Facebook

Einfluss von Bürgerjournalismus auf traditionelle Medien

*"This further underlines
Reuters' commitment to new
digital platforms and user-
generated/moderated content
with community oriented
tools, to deliver the next-
generation of news and
information."*



(Chris Ahearn, Reuters' president, 2007)

Sind wir nicht alle ein bisschen Presse?

Grocott's Mail

ONLINE

Make us proud, Bafana Bafana!

South Africa's oldest independent newspaper – the heart and soul of Grahamstown!

CITIZEN JOURNALISM NEWSROOM

NEWS OPINION MULTIMEDIA MYMAKANA ADVERTISING ABOUT US SEARCH:

Latest poll

Will Bafana Bafana make it to the second round of the World Cup?

Probably - they've been playing great soccer lately and deserve to get through

No - they're up against stiff competition and simply aren't good enough

Of course - our boys are on course for a spot in the final!

[Vote](#)

Older polls

Popular stories

- Scooter's Pizza opens in Grahamstown
- Arts Festival wants by-law to protect brands

Home > Grocott's Mail Citizen Journalism Newsroom

NEW: Get Grocott's Mail SMS headlines every Tuesday and Friday morning for free

Grocott's Mail Citizen Journalism Newsroom

CITIZEN JOURNALISM NEWSROOM

The Grocott's Mail Citizen Journalism Newsroom - opened on 8 September 2009 - is a walk-in community facility where citizens of Grahamstown can produce their own journalistic content (written stories accompanied with photographs, for example), for publication in Grocott's Mail, in the MyStory section on Grocott's Mail Online and elsewhere.

[View video of learners being trained in citizen journalism](#)

[View photo gallery of official launch of the newsroom](#)

[View narrated slideshow of the official launch](#)

It is a component of a project named lindaba Ziyafika ("The news is coming"), which focuses on developing innovative ways of using new media technologies to facilitate community journalism, and is funded by a grant from the US-based John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Weather

Grahamstown 10°C

AccuWeather.com

Weather Forecast

Featured SMS

Thanks Grocott's Online!

MON, 31 MAY, 2010

I am a Grahamstownian living in Cape Town. Your website helps me stay in the loop about developments in my home town. Thumbs up Grocott's!

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See more SMSes

SMS Grocott's Mail on 082 049 2146

Kenya 2008



Dezentrale Koordination und Mobilisierung



Cross-Media Kampangen

„Whenever we have a campaign [...] it may start in the digital sphere but can diffuse offline, through flyers and radio and start mass mobilisation on the ground. Mobile phones have a critical role to play here. The blogosphere interacting and integrating itself strongly with other media and forms of communication is the next important step beginning to take place.“

(Sokari Ekine, Interview, 2009)



Ushahidi: Testimony made easy

The screenshot shows the Ushahidi homepage. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for HOME, ABOUT, OUR WORK, JOIN US, and BLOG. Below the navigation, there's a diagram illustrating the reporting process: three icons (mobile phone, envelope, computer monitor) are connected by dotted lines to a central globe icon, with a 'SEND ALERT' button below it. To the right, there's a section titled 'Send reports via:' with options for mobile phone, email, and web. Further down, a welcome message explains the platform's purpose: "Welcome to Ushahidi, which means ‘testimony’ in Swahili, where we are building a platform that crowdsources crisis information. Allowing anyone to submit crisis information through text messaging using a mobile phone, email or web form." Below this, two call-to-action boxes are visible: "Join up!" and "What it does?". The "Join up!" box has a "JOIN" button. The "What it does?" box has a "MORE" button. To the right, there are two sections: "Email signup" with a form and "Deployments" listing "Al Jazeera in Gaza" and "DRC Congo", each with a small thumbnail and a brief description. At the bottom, there's a "Links" section with links to "Developer Wiki" and "Ushahidi Blog".

Ushahidi

HOME | ABOUT | OUR WORK | JOIN US | BLOG

Send reports via:
mobile phone :: email :: web

SEND ALERT

Welcome to Ushahidi, which means “testimony” in Swahili, where we are building a platform that crowdsources crisis information. Allowing anyone to submit crisis information through text messaging using a mobile phone, email or web form.

Join up!

Ushahidi is a free and open source project with developers hailing from Kenya, Ghana, South Africa, Malawi, Netherlands and the USA working on it. There are some significant technological challenges and we are always looking for help.

JOIN ▶

What it does?

The Ushahidi Engine is a platform that allows anyone to gather distributed data via SMS, email or web and visualize it on a map or timeline. Our goal is to create the simplest way of aggregating information from the public for use in crisis response.

MORE ▶

Email signup

SUBMIT ▶

Deployments

Al Jazeera in Gaza
Al Jazeera uses Ushahidi to track activity in Gaza at their "War on Gaza" website.

DRC Congo
Deployment to the DRC Congo happened on Nov 7, 2008 - the week after our initial release of the alpha version of the new Ushahidi Engine software.
[More deployments here](#)

Links

[Developer Wiki](#)
[Ushahidi Blog](#)

Ushahidi: Stop Stocks Out



Förderung politischer Teilhabe und Transparenz

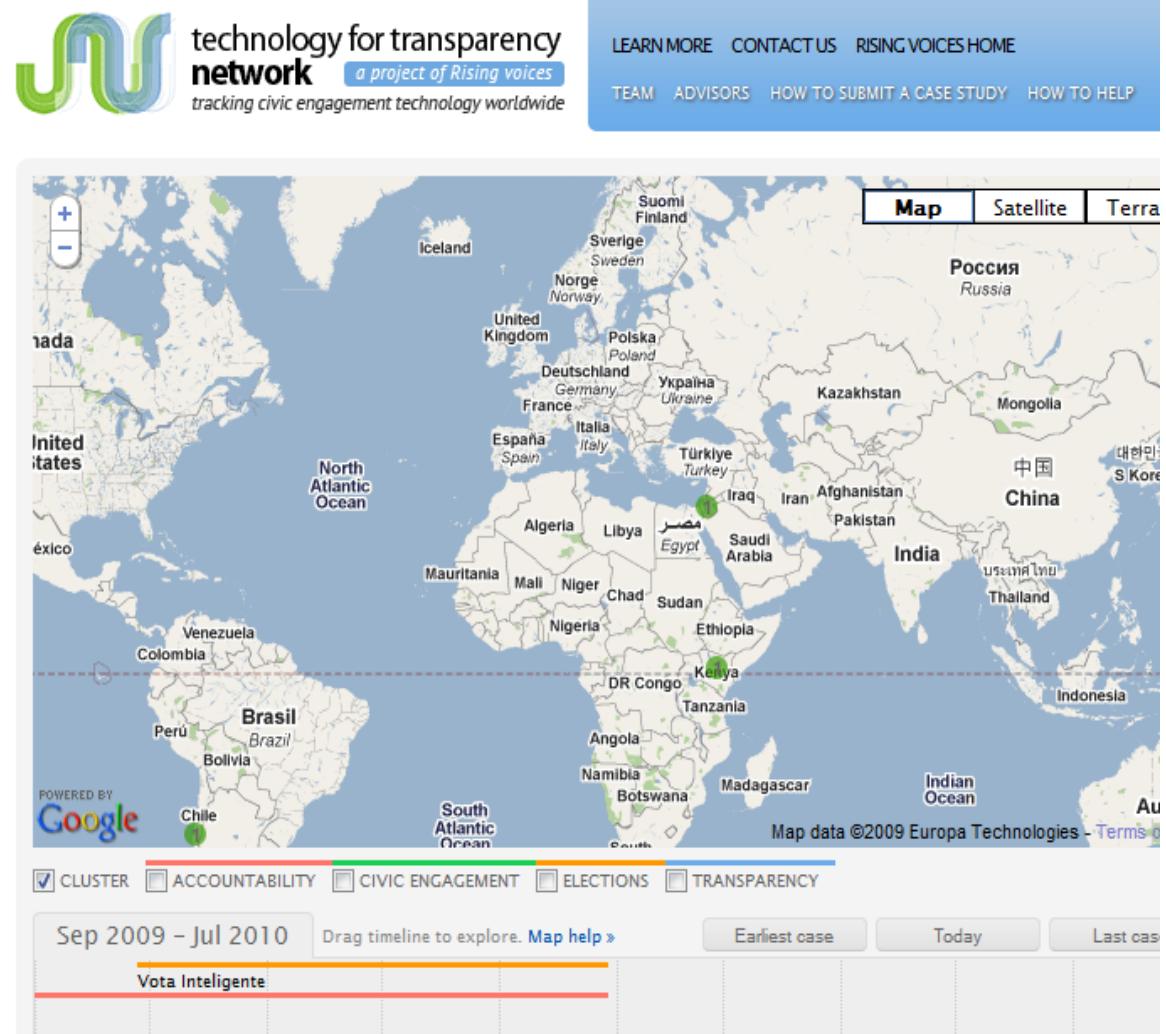


Blogs für politische Transparenz

mzalendo.com

*“During election time,
the most active
communities had very
active debates on their
MPs performance and
some have even begun
to organize themselves
off-line to deal with
issues in their
constituencies”*

(Ory Okolloh, Interview, 2009)



Neue Medien und Wahlen



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A world map showing the locations of African countries where elections are being monitored or reported by the African Elections Project. The affected countries are highlighted with their respective national flags.

Wahlbeobachtung per SMS

Network of Mobile Election Monitors (NMEM) wurde:

- Zur Wahlbeobachtung 2007 eingesetzt
- Mit Frontline SMS betrieben
- Erhielt über 10 000 Meldungen die sowohl über friedliche Wahlgänge aber auch über Störungen und Misstände berichteten.



Weitere Informationen



Die Blätter: Afrikas Blogosphäre und Heinrich Böll Dossier

<http://www.blaetter.de/article.php?pr=3182>

<http://www.boell.de/welt/weit/afrika/afrika-afrika-internet-blogs-open-source-8974.html>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the journal 'Blätter für deutsche und internationale Politik'. The header features the journal's name in white text against a dark blue background. Below the header, there is a sidebar with links to 'Startseite', 'aktuelle Ausgabe', 'Archiv', 'Blätter-Gesellschaft', 'Demokratiepreis', 'Über die Blätter', 'Bestellung / Abo', 'Mediadaten', 'Login', 'Volltextsuche' (with a search input field and 'ok' button), 'erweiterte Suche', and 'Blätter-Such-Plugin'. The main content area displays an article titled 'Afrikas Blogosphäre' by Geraldine de Bastion. The article abstract reads: 'Bürgerjournalisten zwischen Kairo und Kapstadt'. The text discusses the role of political blogs in Meinungsbildung and Mobilisierung, focusing on the Iranian protests and the African continent. It highlights the growth of political blogs in Africa and their potential to support democratic thought and action. The bottom of the page includes a small image of a roulette wheel and some footer text.

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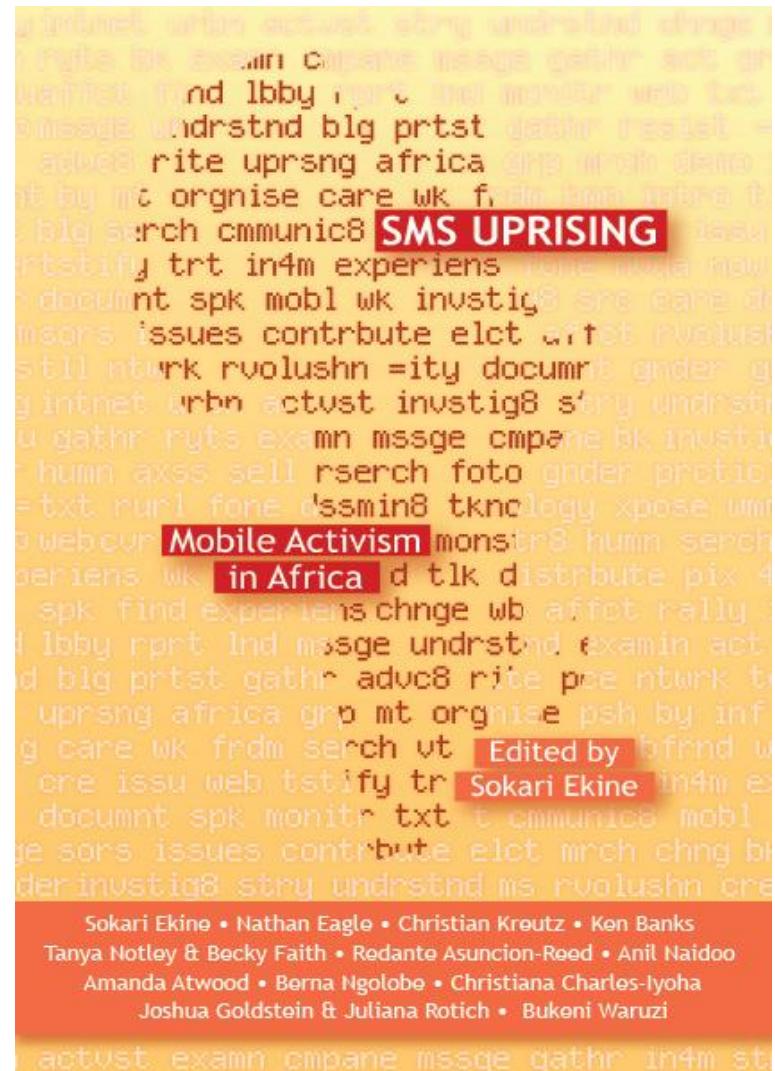
Bürgerjournalisten zwischen Kairo und Kapstadt
von Geraldine de Bastion

Der Beitrag politischer Weblogs zur Meinungsbildung und Mobilisierung von gesellschaftlichen Protesten ist ein international viel diskutiertes Thema – jüngst vor allem mit Blick auf den Iran. Der afrikanische Kontinent erscheint auf der Karte des Web 2.0 hingegen zumeist als ein weißer Fleck. Dabei wächst auch zwischen Kairo und Kapstadt die Zahl der politischen Blogs und damit deren Bedeutung für die öffentliche Sphäre und den gesellschaftlichen Diskurs. Welches Potential birgt diese Form der Internetkommunikation, um demokratisches Denken und Handeln – gerade in Ländern mit fragilen partizipativen Strukturen – zu unterstützen und zu fördern?

Ein Internetanschluss stellt die technische Voraussetzung dar, um an den elektronischen Informationsangeboten und Diskussionen teilnehmen zu können. Zwar liegt der Durchschnitt der Internetanbindungen – auch aufgrund der damit verbundenen Kosten – in Afrika mit elf Prozent der Haushalte gegenwärtig immer noch weit unter dem globalen Mittel von 23 Prozent.¹ Dennoch haben der Ausbau der Infrastruktur, unterschiedliche Regulierungsreformen und kreative Geschäftsmodelle in den letzten Jahren zu einem signifikanten Anstieg der Internetnutzung in den meisten Teilen Afrikas geführt. Vor allem durch die rasante

Fahamu Books: SMS Uprising

[http://www.fahamubooks.org/
book/?GCOI=90638100577370](http://www.fahamubooks.org/book/?GCOI=90638100577370)





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