

# UNDESA-GAID Annual Meeting and Global Forum

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# Network Development & Outreach

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- “When a Thousand Spiders Unite...”
- Kamran Elahian, GAID Co-Chair
  - Brief Uovement Introduction

# **We Have a Vision**

- Multi-stakeholder global forum for policy dialogue and partnership-building to promote the use of ICT for the achievement of the MDGs
- Promote universal ICT access, connectivity and content
- Address the slow pace of progress of the MDGs in the least developed countries & the financial crisis
- Key message and activities: How ICTs & innovation can be harnessed to meet key global challenges, such as poverty eradication, the financial crises, climate change, governance, health & education, & gender

# We Have a Plan

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- Mainstreaming ICT in the UN agenda
- Best Practices, Trends & Developments
- Partnerships & Events
- Online Knowledge Base
- Outreach
- Funding

# Working Together to Get There

- GAID is a “Member Supported Network”
- Strategy Council
- Steering Committee
- Panel of Advisors
- Champions Network

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- Attend one Strategy Council meeting or GAID event/year
- Submit one activity, resource, or event to the GAID social network, or listserv per month
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- Attend one Steering Committee meeting per year (meetings occur biannually)
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- Attend one Sherpa conference call or meeting per quarter (meetings occur ~ monthly)
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- Review the GAID annual report and financial report
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# What Else?

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- In the Network, Online, & Real World
- Accountability
- Communication Channels
- Development & Other Committees
- Blind Spots- New Areas
  - Policy, Financial Crisis, Other?

# **We're All in This Together**



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