#### WikiEducator

Helping India achieve international leadership in OER





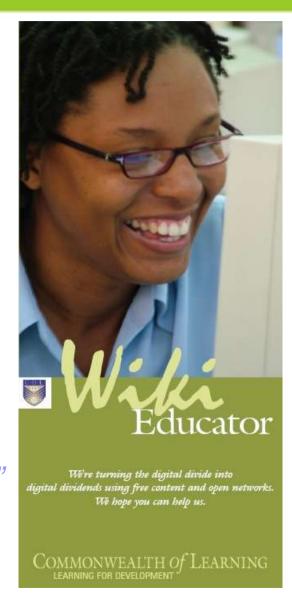
#### Commonwealth of Learning

COL is an intergovernmental organisation created by Commonwealth Heads of Government to to encourage the development and sharing of open and distance education knowledge, resources and technologies.



Sir John Daniel

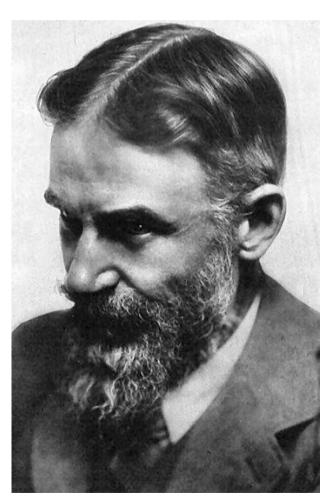
"For my generation the great innovation was the course team. For the next I suspect that it will be Open Educational Resources."





#### The promise of OER

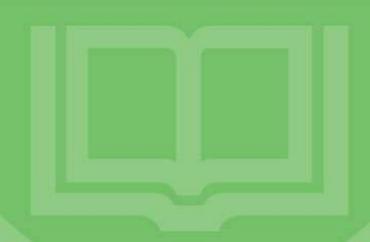
#### Knowledge is infinitely scalable



"If you have an apple and I have an apple and we exchange these apples then you and I will still each have one apple.

But if you have an idea and I have an idea and we exchange these ideas, then each of us will have two ideas."

George Bernard Shaw

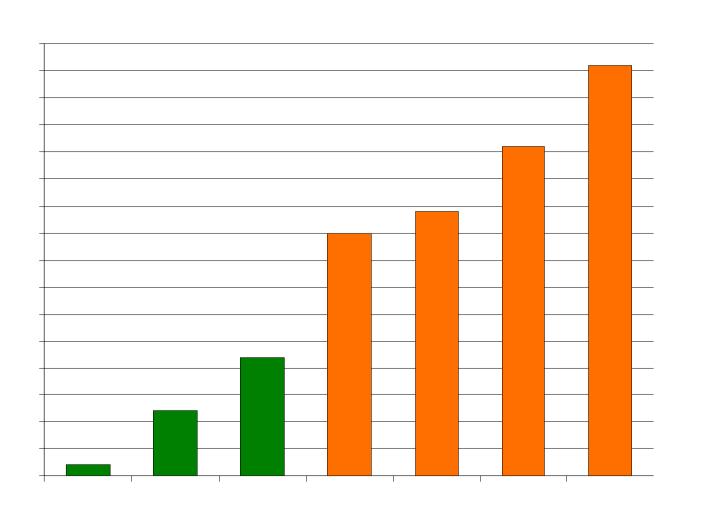


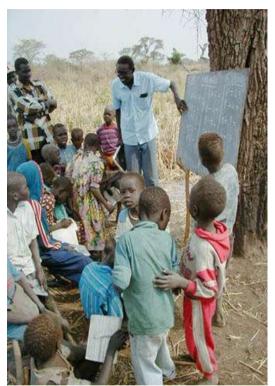
What is the greatest challenge facing the future of education?





### Kids who won't be going to school



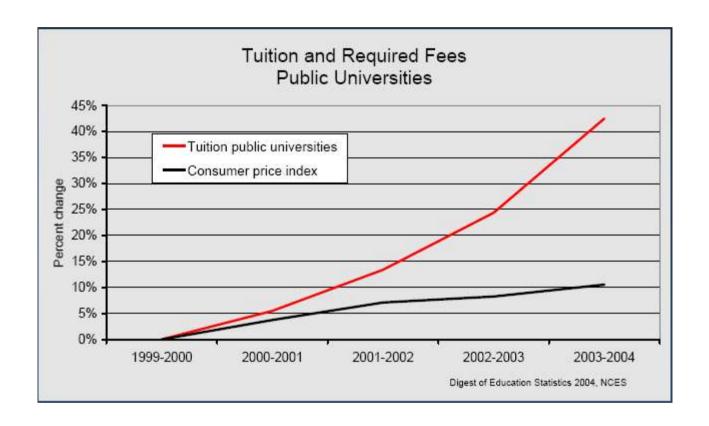




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#### The sustainability challenge



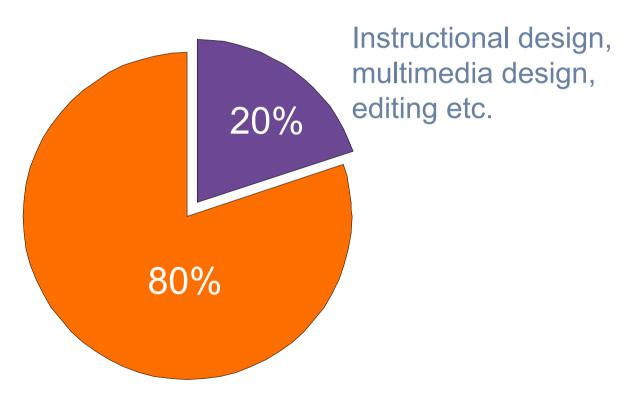
Source: Justin Tilton and Jim Farmer, Learning Environment 2015





#### The cost of eLearning

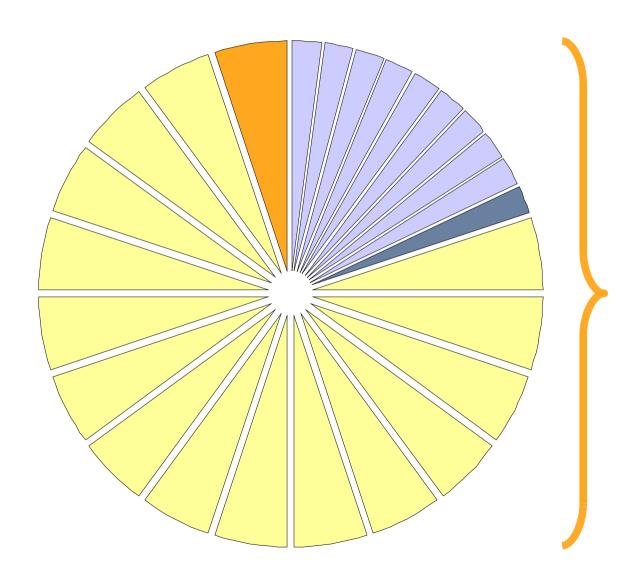
#### Cost categories



Academic authoring time



#### The value proposition of OER



Authoring and design costs shared among participating institutions



#### WikiEducator



We're turning
the digital divide
into digital
dividends using
free content
and open
networks. We
hope you can
help us.



Voted best educational wiki, Steven Downes, Dec 2007



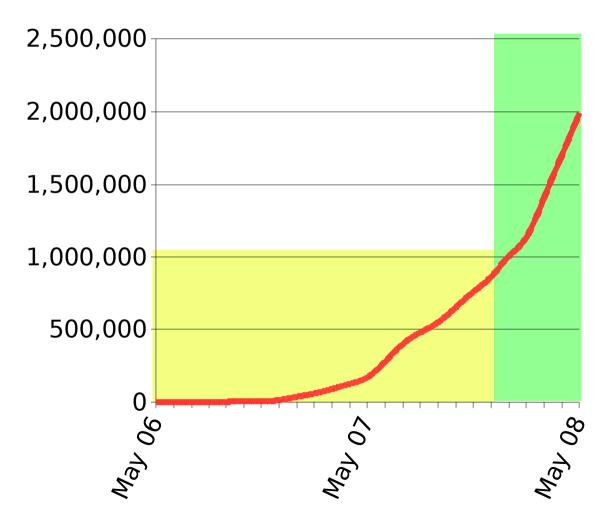
Inaugural recipient of the award for Exemplary
Open Education Resource
(OER) practices

Established May 2006

- How is WikiEducator doing?
- Who are our WikiEducators?
- Why do they join our family?



#### Cumulative site visits

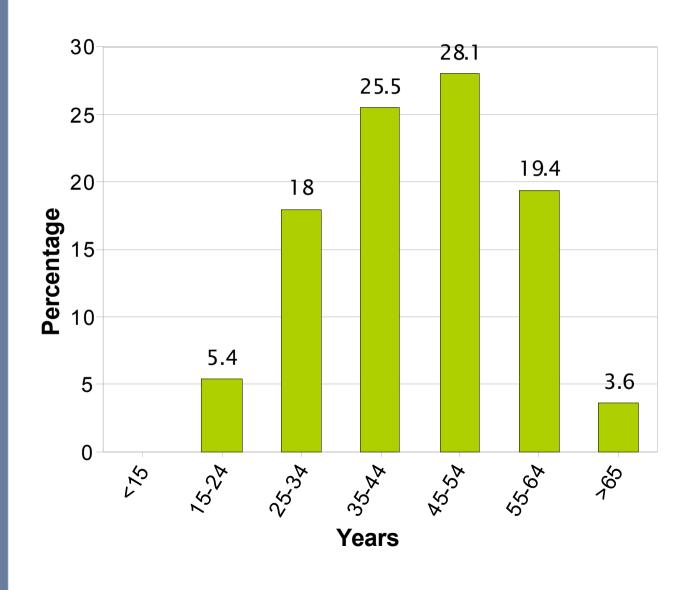


First million visits
19 months

Second million visits 5 months



#### Age distribution

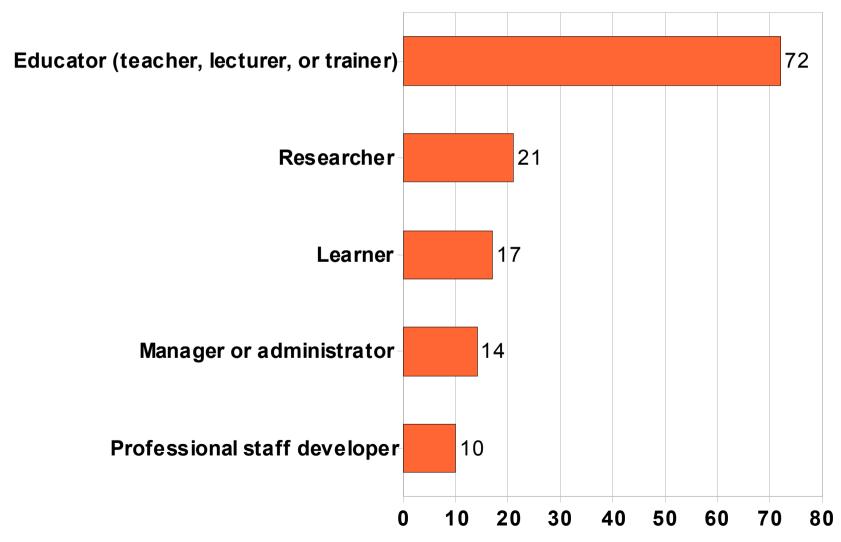


Our WE surprise?

51% ≥ 45 years

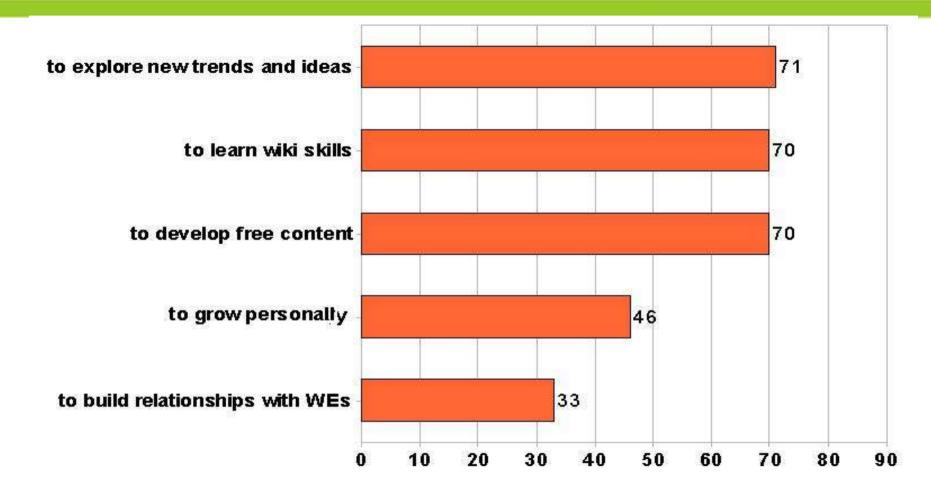


#### Current roles of WikiEducators



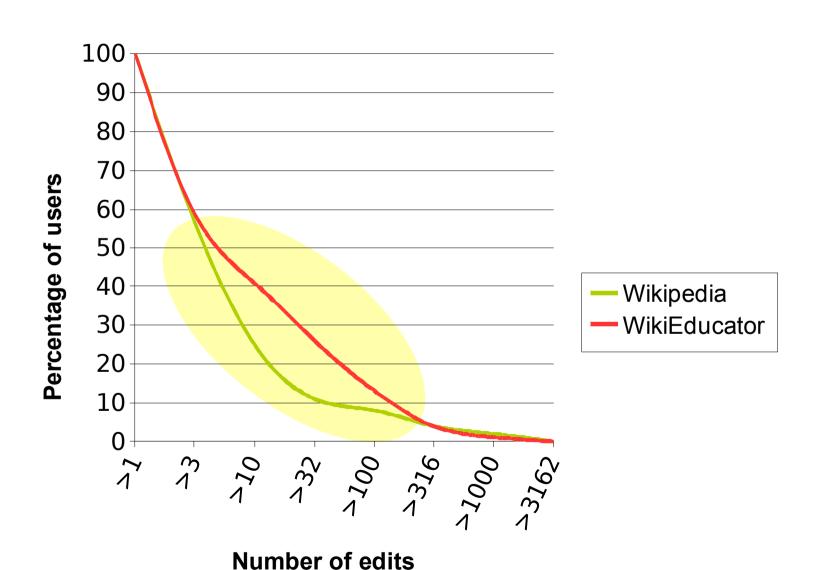


#### Why do people join WikiEducator?





#### Distribution of edits among users



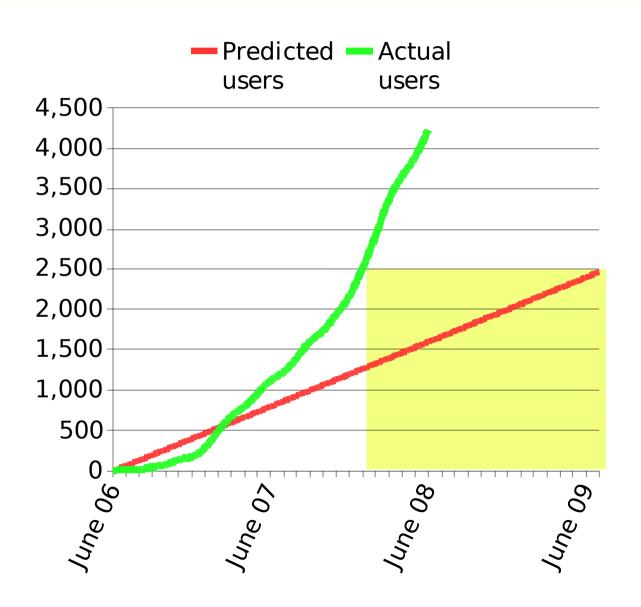


How is WikiEducator governed?





#### Exceeding strategic targets



Target for a Community governance model

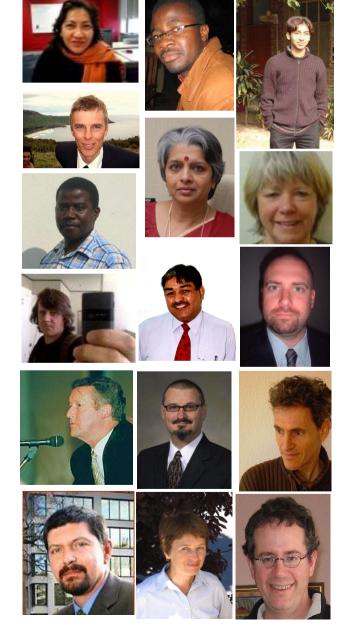
Achieved 18 months in advance

#### Community governance

# **WikiEducator Community Council** 15 Elected **Patron** 10 Nominated

#### **Countries**

Canada, India, Germany, New Zealand, Pakistan, Samoa, Uganda, USA, Zambia





#### Learning4Content

## Tell me and I'll forget, show me and I may not remember, involve me, and I'll understand



- conduct 160 workshops
- train 2500 teachers/educators
- •2500 lessons of free content
- •all Commonwealth Countries





#### Meeting the community



Victor Mensah, Zambia, Graduate 1st L4C workhop

"WikiEducator is not only ground-breaking, its foresight is defining history, and must forever be developed and continued."



Nellie Deutsch, Israel, Graduate 3<sup>rd</sup> L4C workshop

"WikiEducator is a place where I become we"



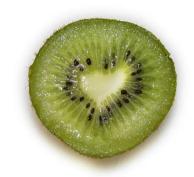
Anil Prasad, India, L4C Facilitator in Sri Lanka

"WikiEducator is my second home -- an online home!"



#### Our inspiration

"Be the change you want to see in the world"



Mahatma Gandhi





