

Transcript – Welcome message from Nicholas Kimolo

Hello. Greetings, my name is Nicholas Kimolo and I'm based in Nairobi Kenya. I strongly believe that free and open content is of immense benefit to Africa as a whole. This is my experience of elearning in Africa. I see a big gap in terms of content in traditional and other ways that are coming out of Africa. In an attempt to address this issue, we started the FLOSSE4Edu project under WikiEducator with the vision of creating and to mobilise Africa to create open content.

The short term objective for this FLOSSE4Edu project is to make sure that by 2009 we have content that is available and that can be used by anyone who wishes to use it. Producing or developing open content enables you to collaborate with other people who make content and therefore you can extend your original content and they can add more value to it. This has the benefit of ensuring that your content stays alive and whole. You see, the whole community benefits from each others alterations.

In Africa we have many stories to share. These stories and each others knowledge can be shared with the rest of the world. We need open content to be able share this content with each other and to be able to extend and share our experiences and to let the who world know of our experiences. Wiki produces the best way forward. It offers an avenue like no other that can be used to address these issues.

In this tutorial I will show you how you can edit and format your text in any wiki system such as WikiEducator. I will show you how you can create headers, bullets and format numbering and how you can alter the content. By the end of this lesson you should be able to create content, format and edit your text.

Thank you and welcome.