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SWOT ANALYSIS: BASIC INTERNET FOUNDATION

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STRENGTH

a). What do we do well?

- Unique value proposition “free access to information on the Internet for every single human being”
- Technology solution, **Access/Range**: reaching out where there is no connectivity (e.g. 2020: TZ 45% coverage)
- Technology solution: **InfoSpots**: providing free access to everyone (#Inclusion, #Regulation)
- Network of communities in 10 African Countries



b). What unique resources can you draw on?

- Local: University of Oslo
- Global: [UniversityCollaboration.BasicInternet.org](https://www.universitycollaboration.basicinternet.org)
- Collaborations with industrial partners
- Excellent TEAM with multi-disciplinary knowledge



c). What do others see as your strengths -Unique value proposition

- Successful School Connectivity project in TZ
- “Know how the challenges in Africa are”



WEAKNESSES

a). What could you improve?

- The roles distribution within the Foundation
- Efficient communication channel
- Workable business model vs donations (e.g. A4AI is supported by SIDA and Google)



b). Where do you have fewer resources than others?

- Economy of scale



c). What are others likely to see as your weaknesses?

- In adequate personnel and work overload
- Management



OPPORTUNITIES

a). What opportunities are open to you?

-Communities in 10 African Countries

-Well recognised expertise in the follow-up of the “high-level panel on digital collaboration”

b). What trends could you take advantage of?

-**COVID-19**, need for education, need for internet access

-**SDG 4.a** - Number of schools connected to the Internet

-**SDG 3**: Digital Health and Community involvement are seen as core issues for success of SDG 3

-**SDG 16.10**: access to information for every single human being

-**SDG 9.C**: Massive increase in access to the Internet

c). How can you turn your strengths into opportunities?

-Long-lasting Partnerships and visibility on a larger platform

-Through the technology solution, engaging with the service providers for a sustainable business model



THREATS

a). What threats could harm you?

- No funding
- Can't define the Internet Lite Model
- Corruption

b). What is your competition doing?

- “Broadband sales”, focus only on unrealistic broadband provision
- Serving the top of the pyramid, not “every single human being”

c). What threats do your weaknesses expose to you?



-Being seen as competitors to Mobile Operators