Weekly 12 - June 5 - 12, 2012

Ushahidi Weekly Update (#12)

We are a growing community. This weekly report is for the whole community and team to share what you are working on and what you need help with. Highlight your presentations, events, code and more. These reports will go out mid-week.

Date: June 5 - 12, 2012

Community and Deployers:

About: What are you working on? What do you need help with?

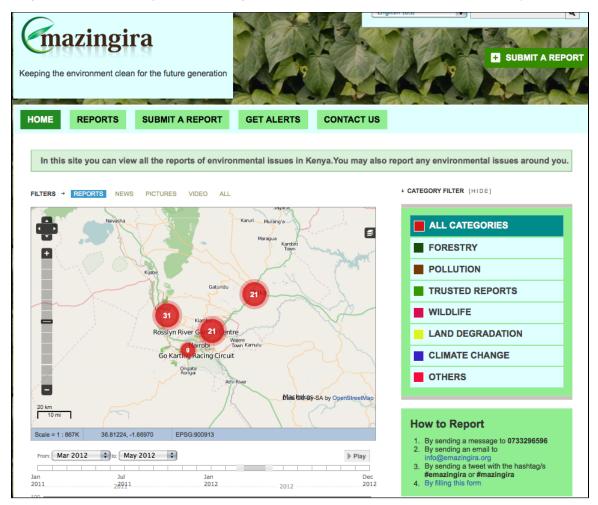
Deployment of the Week: Jom Pantau (Indonesian Elections). See all the Deployments of the Week

The WaterTracker Project from Afganistan was featured in this USAID: Global Water report (p. 6-7).

The Standby Task Force (frequent Ushahidi users) were featured in the United Nations Development Programme in Europe and and CIS "On Crisismapping, crowdsourcing and online volunteering for Development". Congratulations!

The Cost of Chicken Team created this video:

Congratulations to the eMazingra team for winning the African Business Award for Environmental Sustainability in Africa. Their map project:



Code:

About: What code are your working on? What needs help?

Loren has two big projects that need Ushahidi development help. "We need for our implementation (Reporting of illegal activities in a Borneo rain forest) is to 1) add a layer of anonymity (just a layer not total anon) to SMS reporting, and 2) add a time-delay to the public display of reports. (logged in users see them real-time, public sees them delayed by a specified time)." If you are interested, respond to her request on the Ushahidi developer mailing list (to sign up).

Events:

About: Events, presentations and hosting by Ushahidi Core, Community. Share your presentations, your videos etc.

Some of the upcoming events include:

Election Hackathon, London (UK), this Saturday, June 16th. We'll be braining on the following ideas/hacks. Registration is still open.

Security Pen testing with the Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) community, Portland (OR), July 1, 2012. The project plan is on the wiki. Stay tuned for more details.

Design Jam, Seattle (WA) on July 10, 2012. At this event, you can remix Ushahidi to be in your own image. Come tinker with us! Registration will be open soon.

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Ideas / Plans:

About: What plans, projects, and ideas do you have?

Corruption Mapping is a growing area. Here's a podcast about ICT for Development: Combating Corruption and Increasing Government Accountability.

Our friends at the Canada Centre for Global Security Studies (Canada Centre) and the Citizen Lab at the Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto (with the support of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC)) are pleased to announce the launch of the Cyber Stewards pro gram. Applications from potential Cyber Stewards from any of the following regions should send a CV and a five page outline that details project ideas to cyberstewards@citizenlab.org (Central America, Caribbean, South America, sub-Saharan Africa, Middle East and North Africa, and Asia).