Ebola Open Data
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Open Space

We are meeting in NYC to gather, publish, map, and visualize the Ebola outbreak in Africa, and create an inventory of available open data sources that will help to inform health care workers, aid workers, and governments responding to the Ebola outbreak, so everyone can find this information and use it to discover new insights about the spread of this deadly disease.

Please attend ready to roll up your sleeves and make a difference. Join Data.gov, the United Nations, and doctors and governments on the front line to inventory open data sources and build out the inventory, add to existing maps, and create a portal.

For virtual participation, join the Google Hangout:
https://plus.google.com/hangouts/_/hoaevent/AP36tYec85RDPCAq6sVINBGcrxCjfZa339KcciVI-7UTvwfY17Fbag?authuser=0&hl=en
from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Eastern and stay tuned for virtual tasks to come.

Add your notes and ideas to the open document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CSfd7R8TWAjSG9yYrKMjVbMnxjNCnkQGjOEW5yyVt-Q/edit#

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• Revealed and share what we don’t know
  – How many
    • Hospital in Africa?
    • Beds
    • Physicians?
    • Nurses?
    • Qualifications?
    • Supplies?
    • Outcomes?

Steven Adler, IBM
Ebola Datasets

• “DKAN is a Drupal-based open data platform with a full suite of cataloging, publishing and visualization features that allows governments, nonprofits and universities to easily publish data to the public.”

• [http://eboladata.org/](http://eboladata.org/)

• Sample datasets:
  – Location and coordinates of health facilities in SL
  – Ebola data and news maintained by the WHO
  – Basic geographic details of Liberia, includes roads, railways, natural features, etc.
  – Updates and situation reports on disease incidence, treatment statistics, contact tracing
  – ....
Ebola has infected 20,000 people and claimed 8,000 lives - which is a small fraction of the populations in West Africa. I do not wish to diminish the loss of human life, but the economic toll of this rather small contagion has been catastrophic. Sierra Leone has seen its GDP drop from the 2014 forecast of 11.3% to just under 2%, with a negative growth forecast in 2015. People are not going to markets because they fear human contact and