



Digital Divide and Inclusion in Ethiopian Rural Communities: A Theoretical Framework

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Abstract

Digital inclusion and exclusion have emerged as critical issues in rural African communities, particularly in Ethiopia where digital infrastructure is unevenly distributed. No empirical data or methodology for data collection are presented in this theoretical framework paper. Theoretical models will be developed to explore how socio-economic disparities contribute to digital exclusion and inclusion in Ethiopian rural communities. Policy recommendations include targeted investments in rural internet infrastructure, community education programmes, and support for local entrepreneurs developing digital services.

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