The diversity and density of information is very high in social and humanitarian events. Limited budgets often restrict access to a fortunate few.

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Volunteer Effort + Partnership = Shared opportunities

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- Recruit and train volunteer writers to capture the major results and best practices
- Condense source material into online news, press releases, and the final report
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Communicate and empower with little

Directly involving volunteers is a realistic way to:

- Disseminate knowledge with limited means
- Involve and build skills of local communities, especially in the South
- Provide an entry point for media
- Draw on "open source" objectivity, often shining new light on old issues

Projects have been realized in Europe and Africa for events as large as the World AIDS Conference (15,000 participants).

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