



## Daniel Kaplan

<b>Presentation of the Speaker</b>	Mr. Kaplan is the founder and CEO of the Next Generation Internet Foundation (FING), a collective and open Research and Development project which focuses on tomorrow's Internet's uses, applications and services. He is a member of the European Commission's e-Europe Advisory Group, within which he co-ordinated a report called "e-Inclusion: New Challenges and Policy recommendations".
<b>Data of the represented Institution/organization</b>	Fing – Fondation Internet Nouvelle Génération The Next-Generation Internet Foundation
<b>Workshop Name</b>	I suppose it is "Infrastructures"
<b>Title of the presentation</b>	Beyond broadband
<b>Executive summary of the presentation</b>	The focus around broadband infrastructure is both necessary and insufficiently forward-looking. Tomorrow's networks will be pervasive, "ubiquitous", made up of an overlapping continuum of wired and wireless technologies, multistandard terminals, ad-hoc networks between tiny embedded devices, etc. The large majority of applications may not require huge amounts of real-time bandwidth, rather, the ability to aggregate huge numbers of small and medium-sized flows. Furthermore, the majority of "human

	<p>uses" will, as is the case today, remain centered against basic human interaction rather than "politically correct" applications such as e-health, e-education, etc., which are often pitched in order to justify public intervention in networks.</p> <p>Therefore, local communities as well as industry players need to move beyond broadband; get a better understanding of where technology is headed and on what people really do with technology; focus on what each player is best suited to accomplish; and truly engage citizens, associations, communities and corporations into real bottom-up policymaking and network-building.</p>
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