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Training Course in Lagos (Nigeria) – 1<sup>st</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> July 2013

### Post-training Survey

#### 1. After the training:

<b>1.a - I know how to integrate large volumes of data into my reporting.</b>	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	0	4	2	4.3
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i> Still have to do it myself to gain confidence doing it.						
<b>1.b - I know how to integrate charts and figures into my reporting</b>	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	0	3	3	4.5
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i> This session is very helpful. I know the free tools that I can use to do it and how the work. Now it is time for me to practice it.						
<b>1.c - I know how to use Google Maps to create interactive/data-driven maps</b>	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	1	0	2	3	4.16
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i> Mastering the tool will take a bit more practice, but the training was a great first step.						
<b>1.d I know how to integrate maps into my reporting</b>	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	1	1	4	4.5
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i>						
<b>1.e I know how to use multimedia in my journalism</b>	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	0	2	4	4.67
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i> As I don't work for online media, I am not really encouraged to, for example, add photos or videos to my reports or maps. I could probably make it, but, once more, I would have to try many times to have confidence.						

## 2. Please rate your learning experience at the training program on the following items:

2.a The training program met my expectations	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	0	2	4	4.67
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i>	It actually went beyond my expectations					

2.b I was satisfied with the accommodation provided	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	1	5	0	3.8
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i>	<p>The accommodation wasn't of the standards we are used to, at least in my country and the ones I am used visit. On the other hand, I totally understand that Nigeria faces many challenges and economic problems and I was not expecting much more than what we got. So, I would never make a big deal or even complain about the accommodation we've got. It was not a problem at all to the training neither to the experience in Nigeria.</p> <p>The food was great, the conditions at the room were bad.</p>					

2.b I was satisfied with the training room provided	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	4	2	0	3.3
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i>	<p>Once again, it was not of our standards, but I understand that the reality we were facing during the training is the reality our Nigerian colleagues live on a daily basis, so the problems we had (actually, the only thing we could call a "problem" was the internet speed) did not compromised the quality of the training. And, actually, if I might have lost some things because of the bad internet, I learned a lot more from the life experience we had.</p> <p>Perhaps check for a better internet connection next time.</p>					

2.d Overall, I was satisfied with my experience during the training.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Rating
	0	0	0	1	5	4.8
<i>Comments and suggestions:</i>	Technically saying, the course went beyond my expectations. And as a huge "bonus", I could visit a totally different country and know its reality.					

**3. Please rate the usefulness of each of the following trainings and activities, and explain how each could be improved.**

	Not at all useful	Not very useful	Neutral	Somewhat useful	Very useful	Rating
<b>3a - 1st Module: Sourcing/Mining and Cleaning Data.</b>	0	0	0	3	3	4.5
<b>3b - 2nd Module: Tools for Data Visualization and Analysis.</b>	0	0	0	1	5	4.8
<b>3c - 3rd Module: Mapping Data</b>	0	0	0	1	5	4.8
<b>4th Module - Crowdsourcing and Mobile tools</b>	0	0	0	3	3	4.5

	Not at all useful	Not very useful	Neutral	Somewhat useful	Very useful	Rating
<b>3h - Field Trip</b>	0	0	0	2	4	4.67
<u>Comments and suggestions:</u>	It would have nice if we could have stayed at both places for more time to get a better picture, especially regarding the visit to Alpha Beach					
	It's great that we are still alive.					

**5. Please describe the top three things you got out of this training**

1.	Creating digital maps
	how to create charts and bar chart
	Knowledge about a wide variety of interesting, useful digital tools
	A suitcase full of tools that I can get to see what fits better in each situation
	There is a lot of information ready to be used in my reports that I had no idea about - i.e. free satellite images
	Using google fusion table and spreadsheet
2.	Use data to create interactive charts
	Use of Google forms
	how to use goggle earth
	The vast number of tools available - for mapping or crowdsourcing, for instance
	Hints and advices from a very experienced instructor
	The feeling that I am in the frontline of data journalism and mapping
3.	Very nice interactions with the other participants
	Mapping
	Good networking
	The stories that concern Nigeria at the moment regarding environmental and social issues - water supplies or energy production, for instance
	Good network, with very well qualified journalists
	The trust that great projects on environmental issues can be done, with strong documentation and passion for data
	Sourcing CSV, Kml, and KmZ data files

**6. Any other comments on what you particularly enjoyed or would have liked to see changed?**

- I would like more time to apply the different techniques;
- The relationship between all the participants and the trainers;
- Maybe it can be scheduled for the group to visit a newsroom in the country the training is being done. Better if it is a newsroom that has a data journalism team or at least uses the tools we learned about. And of course I understand budget limitations, but if the course could be a little longer (10 or 15 days), it would be also great;
- I will like the language in use by the facilitators' computer to be in English or language of lecturing;
- The trainer Gustavo Faleiros was key for the success of the training. The logistical issues were very well managed - also concerning the visa application. It was a very well organized training and the idea of the training was also great. Please do some follow-up projects like this.