

About

My name is Steve Song. I am the Founder of [Village Telco](#), a social enterprise that builds low-cost WiFi mesh VoIP technologies to deliver affordable voice and Internet in underserved areas. When I am not doing that I am a passionate advocate for cheaper, more pervasive access to communication infrastructure in Africa.



As of May 2013, I work part-time work for the [Network Startup Resource Center](#) as an advocate for shared spectrum policies.

Prior to that I was lucky enough to have a fellowship for three years with the [Shuttleworth Foundation](#) to work on telecommunications and access issues in South Africa. And before joining the Foundation, I spent 10 years at the [International Development Research Centre](#) in Ottawa funding and engaging in research into Information and Communication Technology for Development (ICT4D) issues, mostly in Africa.

This blog covers a variety of issues that interest me from telecoms in Africa to Open approaches to just about everything, to understanding in general how our lives and livelihoods are being reshaped by telecommunications and the Internet.

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-Steve