Klaus Stoll -Biography

After finishing High School, Mr. Stoll studied theology at the Universities of Heidelberg and Goettingen, Germany. In the early 1980's he became engaged with the then just emerging new Communication and Information Technologies like the Internet. He became a pioneer in establishing the Internet presence for not for profit organizations. In 1997 he co-founded Fundacion Chasquinet in Quito, Ecuador. As Executive Director and later its President he developed ChasquiNet into a 30 plus strong team of professionals who develop and implement development programs and projects at a local, national and international level. He is still active for the foundation as a member of ChasquiNets Executive Management team. Mr. Stoll, is now the Executive Director of the Global Knowledge Partnership Foundation, GKPF. Mr. Stoll lists Internet Governance as his main passion and challenge.

His travels and work in South and North America, Africa and Asia which made him one of the global experts in the strategic uses of communication technologies for International development issues, which is reflected in his role as a founder, adviser and developer of numerous organizations. His international institutional involvement and contacts ranges from grassroots communities in Latin America, Africa and Asia to global organizations and companies. Mr. Stoll is also highly engaged with the private sector and is involved in long standing and successful partnerships between the private and social sector. All these undertakings are based on an multi-sector approach that have the creation of win/win situations and the highest possible development impact at the heart of their value proposal.

Klaus Stoll contributes articles and book chapters to various publications regularly and is a frequent speaker at conferences. He is also active as a consultant for several organizations and projects.