Technologies of Freedom

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Promise of social technologies

• No phone calls
• No emails
• No need to buy newspapers
• No need to travel anywhere but be able to connect with friends and family
• The physical world co-exists in parallel to the digital world
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We are stronger when we listen, and smarter when we share
Have social technologies delivered?

• Have our quality of life got enhanced by knowing things instantly?
• Have we managed to pay attention to the real stories or are we dwelling on things that makes all of us identical to each other?
• Are we able to share knowledge, ideas?
• Is trust getting enhanced?
Migrants’ use of social media

• Barun from Bangladesh
• Liz from the USA
• Quynh from Vietnam
Why do migrants feel more like inmates?

- Identity
- Content generation
- Community
Where are we?

- Is integration a myth?
- What is the nature of a secure online identity?
- Social inclusion or exclusion?
Digital ethnicity

• Diaspora
• Transnational
Dynamic of digital ethnicity

- Transnational
- Nature of virtual community
- Type of SM use
- Diaspora
- Host community

Migrant Identity
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