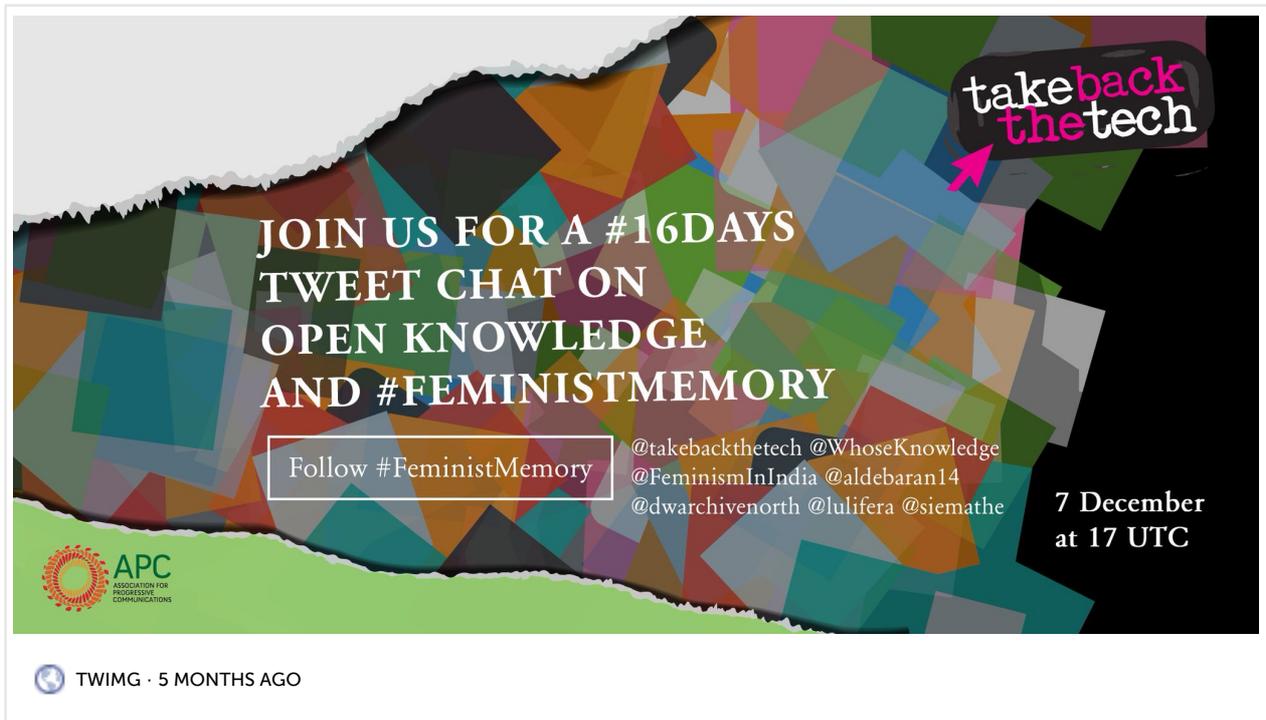


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# Open Knowledge and #FeministMemory

On 7 December we had a #16Days tweet chat on Open Knowledge and #FeministMemory. Here are some highlights.



NEW! Check out the new and improved #feministinternet platform  and explore resources on access, expression, embodiment, movements, and economy [feministinternet.net](http://feministinternet.net)  
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Welcome to the [#takebackthetech](#) chat for [#16days](#)! Follow [#FeministMemory](#) as we discuss feminist knowledge building with folks working on this issue in Mexico, Zimbabwe, UK, India and more. Let's take a moment for our chat participants to introduce themselves.

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Tell us which badass tech feminists you're following! Let's all follow their work and show them some love. [#FeministMemory](#) [#FeministInternet](#) [#16Days](#) [#takebackthetech](#)

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**Dragana Kaurin**  
@draganakaurin

@takebackthetech @leila\_na @NatashaMsonza @MarechalUSC @arzugeybulla @ousfourita @NeemaIyer @nighatdad @jilliancyork @zararah @evacide @maasalan @rightsduff @skchinmayi @frerieke @KAlexaKoenig @alixtrot @isik5 @carolinesinders @MissChiMystique

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Q1. What does it mean to build feminist knowledge? #FeministMemory #16Days

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**Lulú V. Barrera**  
@lulifera

@takebackthetech Is creating living memory of the fierceful philosophies, world visions and practices of our fight for gender justice and against patriarchy to acknowledge them as roots of wisdom and resistance #FeministMemory #16Days

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**[DWAN]**  
@dwarchivenorth

@takebackthetech Rethinking, relearning those existing structures & practices we already have in place. Creating new models for building ... #FeministMemory #16Days

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**[DWAN]**  
@dwarchivenorth

@takebackthetech We're working in a digital environment which is structured through patriarchal/capitalist forms of creation and consumption. For Feminist knowledge to thrive, we have to unpick that, and create new spaces ... #FeministMemory #16Days

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**Juliet Nanfuka**  
@ChewingStones

[@takebackthetech](#) A1: In the context of African countries, there is no better time than now to generate online content - that reflects the unique circumstances of our existence & experiences. We should tell our own stories as opposed to having them told for us. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**Rohini Lakshané**  
@aldebaran14

A1. To me it means creating, preserving, and endeavouring to legitimise knowledge in a way that is conscious of the fault lines of class, gender, race, caste, sexual orientation and so on. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#) [twitter.com/siemathe/statu...](https://twitter.com/siemathe/status...)

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**Hidden-Pockets**  
@Hidden\_Pockets

[@takebackthetech](#) A1. Ensuring there's virtual space for marginalised voices and making sure everyone has access to hear those voices as well. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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[@Hidden\\_Pockets](#) Access is critical! [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**[DWAN]**  
@dwarchivenorth

[@WhoseKnowledge](#) [@takebackthetech](#) From an archive perspective, it's always critiquing **\*\*how\*\*** that knowledge is built as well ... who collects, who decides what is valuable, how that is retained [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**WhoseKnowledge**

@WhoseKnowledge

[@dwarchivenorth](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Very true. Feminism is about \*how\* we do as much (or even more) as \*what\* we do. [#feministmemory](#) [#16days](#)



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[@dwarchivenorth](#) [@WhoseKnowledge](#) Right And the lens we use when we are doing the collecting or deciding. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)



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**Hidden-Pockets**

@Hidden\_Pockets

[@dwarchivenorth](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Interesting point. How can we ensure everyone sees the content we're producing without always having to use capitalist means? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days2017](#)



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Holding states accountable for preserving the vibrancy, plurality and integrity of the public sphere

Right to access and right to knowledge are two sides of the same coin

#FeministMemory #16days #orangetheworld

@takebackthetech Read our recommendations on #right2access + #right2knowledge in 'A feminist action framework on development and digital technologies' : [www6.apc.org/en/system/file...](http://www6.apc.org/en/system/file...) #feministMemory pic.twitter.com/pH1bURMbUT

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Q2. What is “open” knowledge and why is it important? #FeministMemory #16Days

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Paye Payel  
@Payel06875713

@takebackthetech Appreciate each other's differences and acknowledge everyone's contribution on the internet ( irrespective of any identity). #FeministMemory #16Days

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Lulú V. Barrera

@lulifera

[@takebackthetech](#) Open knowledge challenges capitalism and turns us back to the commons, to the politics of sharing in which we care about the good versus the profit [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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[@takebackthetech](#) A2. It's the knowledge that we choose to share openly as part of the world's collective memory and sense-making. Knowledge that can be re-used+remixed, with attribution for the creators helps us not reinvent the wheel but add to shared work in progress.

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Juliet Nanfuka

@ChewingStones

[@takebackthetech](#) Q2. Knowledge/information has historically been reserved for a minority at the cost of universal rights. Open knowledge is a mechanism to shift this by increasing access to information. However, women have yet to truly benefit due to [#costs](#) [#OnlineVAW](#) & more [#FeministMemory](#)

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7amleh حملة

@7amleh

Defining 'open knowledge' in [@takebackthetech](#) [#feministmemory](#) chat. [#16Days](#) [#orangetheworld](#) [#EndGBV](#) [twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge...](https://twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge)

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Openness and knowledge building in feminist movements. [@takebackthetech](#) [#feministMemory](#) [#16Days](#) [#EndGBV](#) [#orangetheworld](#) [twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge...](https://twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge)

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Q3. How does your work promote feminist and open knowledge? #FeministMemory #16Days



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**Feminism in India**

@FeminismInIndia

@takebackthetech We publish feminist stories everyday esp our History section, profiles #IndianWomenInHistory. #DigitalHifazat #feministinternet



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**Lulú V. Barrera**

@lulifera

@takebackthetech We share stories told by women that allows us to recognize our life experiences, life decisions and trajectories of struggles as sources of learning #FeministMemory #16Days



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**Lulú V. Barrera**

@lulifera

@FeminismInIndia @takebackthetech that's when "history" turns to HERstory <3



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@takebackthetech A3. Centering marginalized communities (including women) who have been oppressed and left out by structures of power and privilege to share open knowledge that's important to them is what we're all about #FeministMemory #16Days



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# Making women's knowledge count

#FeministMemory #16days #orangetheworld

[@takebackthetech](#) IT for Change utilizes digital technologies to strengthen the capacities rural womens collectives. Watch 'being women, becoming leaders' here: [vimeo.com/99000694](https://vimeo.com/99000694)  
[#feministmemory](#) [#16days](#) [pic.twitter.com/wXp2BNRxs](https://pic.twitter.com/wXp2BNRxs)

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Q4. What difference can openness and knowledge building make in feminist movements?  
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**Lulú V. Barrera**  
[@lulifera](#)

[@takebackthetech](#) We can put the sum of our lessons and strategies at service across borders to strengthen our feminist movements locally, being reachable more widely but yet being aware of the remaining barriers of access [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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[@takebackthetech](#) A4. Women are 51% of the world, and what we know is \*not\* half of what is seen as knowledge! We must build and share our knowledge, and openness gives us a feminist, democratic, public way to do it. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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Q5. What impact can open knowledge have on ending gender-based violence? Does open knowledge make us more or less safe? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**Feminism in India**

@FeminismInIndia

[@takebackthetech](#) Representation of women on the web is extremely important and we at FII do that via our History and Wikipedia editathons. [#DigitalHifazat](#)

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Q6. What steps can we take to incorporate openness and prioritise knowledge building in our movements? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**Lulú V. Barrera**

@lulifera

[@takebackthetech](#) First recognizing our movements as sources of knowledge, value our paths, process what we've learned and then taking the active decision of documenting with a language easy to understand for the public, then sharing [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**WhoseKnowledge**  
@WhoseKnowledge

[@takebackthetech](#) A6. Make a habit of making your knowledge accessible for others. Digitise what exists offline, record and upload oral histories, use your own website or other websites that are known feminist knowledge aggregators. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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**Hidden-Pockets**  
@Hidden\_Pockets

[@WhoseKnowledge](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Creating inviting processes of editing (correction, adding information) for audiences. Something that goes beyond commenting and sharing, perhaps? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)

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Knowing who is rewiring  
our memory and how

"The neo-liberal logic of online  
platform companies implies a  
perverse confluence of interests  
that allows regressive gender and  
other ideologies to be perpetuated"

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[#16days](#)

[#orangetheworld](#)

[@takebackthetech](#) Knowing who is rewiring our memory and how! . Read our paper 'A feminist perspective on gender media and communication rights in digital times'[itforchange.net/sites/default/...](http://itforchange.net/sites/default/...) [#FeministMemory](#) [#LiesMoreLies](#) + [#Algorithms](#) [pic.twitter.com/gYeYR9zyCW](https://pic.twitter.com/gYeYR9zyCW)

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 **Rohini Lakshané**  
@aldebaran14

A6. If you work in research or a creative domain, consider licensing your works. Have a chat with your organisation about a licensing policy. Create awareness about licensing and constraints of IP protection. #FeministMemory #16Days [twitter.com/takebackthetec...](https://twitter.com/takebackthetec...)

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Q7. How can the average activist use and build knowledge in a way that is open?  
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**Laila Lalami** ✓  
@LailaLalami

Woman reports a predator  
anonymously.  
"Anonymous accusations aren't  
credible!"  
Woman reports under her name.  
"She just wants fame and  
attention..."  
Woman reports years after the  
attack.  
"Why did she wait so long?!"  
Woman reports immediately.  
"What was she drinking/wearing/  
doing?"

6:08 pm · 04 Dec 17

[@takebackthetech](https://twitter.com/takebackthetech) A7. We need stronger collective effort as a movement to ensure that the internet is a safe place. However, [@LailaLalami](https://twitter.com/LailaLalami) tweet here shows, we have a long way to go. This is why it's NB to realise #FeministMemory to forge a stronger path onward. #16Days [pic.twitter.com/JHn3Kfs5Xf](https://pic.twitter.com/JHn3Kfs5Xf)

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**Lulú V. Barrera**  
@lulifera

@takebackthetech Creating easy to use guides of kick ass actions you've done. You can inspire others to take action too. An example we did about Wikipedia's #Editatona in Mexico: [socialtic.org/blog/how-to-or...](http://socialtic.org/blog/how-to-or...)

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**Jasmine**  
@aagrabakijasmin

@takebackthetech at @Hidden\_Pockets we are actually ensuring that lay people start picking up interest in simple coding and create tools that would be useful, open and accessible for everyone. Understand beauty of open data <3 #FeministMemory #16days

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**WhoseKnowledge**  
@WhoseKnowledge

@takebackthetech A7. Beyond the tools and licenses, what are the \*ways\* you're building and using knowledge? Attribution and collaboration are feminist acts, based on open principles! Whom do you invite and include, whom do you acknowledge? #FeministMemory #16Days

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**Silethemba Mathe**  
@siemathe

A7 Respect for existing knowledge in communities & slowly improving on that is the best approach for me, It gives a sense of ownership of the process of change rather than imposing and forcing change to happen #FeministMemory #16Days @takebackthetech @FeminismInIndia

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Q8. Women's knowledge + contributions to a variety of fields have been silenced, erased, dismissed, stolen. This issue continues to affect marginalised women most. Given this problem, why + how can we encourage ourselves as feminists to use open licensing? #FeministMemory #16Days

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Lulú V. Barrera

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[@takebackthetech](#) We should encourage ourselves to insist “on ground” and not limit to the “online”, we should reach out, meet face to face, document and then bridge back to the online. Networks are not only social networks but our minds and bodies gathered around a talk  
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Juliet Nanfuka

@ChewingStones

[@takebackthetech](#) A8 We need to develop more relevant local content, which echoes the realities of our own circumstances as African women. Our presence (online & offline) shouldn't have to be justified by 'patriarchal powers' - a shift we need to intentionally drive with no apology [#FeministMemory](#)

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Karla J. Strand

@logansrun98

[@takebackthetech](#) Q8: Open access/licensing is like a welcome invitation to find, use, adapt one's work. Our work can build on and support one another. It's capitalism that has made us monetize everything and it is just not the way to achieve equality and visibility.

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[@takebackthetech](#) A8. Zainab Anwar (Malaysian feminist [@musawah](#)): “Plagiarise my feminist knowledge”! Open licensing our work allows more people to share it easily, and \*cite\* it on Wikipedia! [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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Subha W

@smwij88

[@takebackthetech](#) Bc, intersectionality. Our feminisms as ideologies should stand up to capitalist formulations of private property, of ideas as 'property of an individual' etc. Feminists should live politics of radical equality & redistribution

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Q9. Women and non-binary folks have experienced discrimination and harassment within open knowledge communities. How do we build a more feminist open knowledge movement?

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[@takebackthetech](#) Build tools that identify and deal with harassment centering the victims' needs and not the perpetrators [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)



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**[DWAN]**

@dwarchivenorth

[@takebackthetech](#) A9. 1/2 First: teaching digital sociologies in schools etc is a must. Young people given tech, using tech, but not integrated into teaching. It's not just about coding - but \*how\* tech being used. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)



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**Karla J. Strand**  
@logansrun98

[@dwarchivenorth](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Yes - digital literacy is a must! How to access, create, share, use, adapt info ethically, fruitfully, and efficiently.

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**Jasmine**  
@aagrabakijasmin

[@takebackthetech](#) A9. Code of Conduct has to become ground rule and people have to be told 1000 times that these spaces are not inclusive enough. [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)

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Q10. What are your favourite tools and spaces for sharing and creating open knowledge?  
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Paye **Payel**  
@Payel06875713

[@takebackthetech](#) Third TrueCrypt (where an entire folder can be turned into a file that looks like an image/video file that can't be opened unless you have the password). [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)

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**[DWAN]**  
@dwarchivenorth

[@lulifera](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Stories: yes. But then we need to move on that knowledge. Not enough to just collect? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)

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Paye **Payel**  
@Payel06875713

[@takebackthetech](#) Firstly, Twitter, where we're currently having a healthy discussion on open knowledge. Second, FOSS (free and open source software), [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)

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**[DWAN]**

@dwarchivenorth

[@Payelo6875713](#) [@takebackthetech](#) Yep --- this has probably been the most open and democratic conversation I have had in a while. So the tools perhaps not always the problem, but the participants? [#FeministMemory](#) [#16days](#)



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**Nickala**

@Nickala5

[@takebackthetech](#) [@dwarchivenorth](#) [@FlourishCIC](#) 3yrs of peer learning events [#women](#) [#Changemakers](#) & [#Socont](#). 2018 we're planning a festival



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**Hidden-Pockets**

@Hidden\_Pockets

[@takebackthetech](#) Open Street Maps, love what is happening in that community. We actually uses their platform to put up our data out there for public :) [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)



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@WhoseKnowledge

[@takebackthetech](#) A10. [@creativecommons](#) Licensing - we default to CC-by-SA licenses so content can be shared and remixed with attribution (feminists credit each other's work!) - but will use others according to specific needs LINK [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#)



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Is there anything else you would like to add? A pressing point? Final thoughts?

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**Leila Nachawati Rego**

@leila\_na

Question: What can we do to ensure representation of diversity (geographical, ethnical etc.) of

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 **P Ray Murray**  
@praymurray

@takebackthetech We need to use more machine based solutions to end gbv online - think bots that call out harrassment - but still far from making this work across languages #16Days #FeministMemory

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 **Silethemba Mathe**  
@siemathe

@takebackthetech Women can do It. Lets stand against GBV. Let women be part of the solution to end #GBV #16days #FeministMemory nothing for us without us!

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 **WhoseKnowledge**  
@WhoseKnowledge

@takebackthetech As this wonderful conversation demonstrates, it takes many feminist spiders' webs to capture the patriarchal monster. This is resistance-in-progress. #feministmemory #16days

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7 December at 17 UTC

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Less than 1% of content on the internet is in Arabic, so who is telling the story of Arabic speakers? Knowledge sharing is critical to our movements. #feministmemory #16Days #takebackthetech @7amleh @Mada19 @IkhtyarCo @BntAlmasarwa @Mushtarak pic.twitter.com/s5tsfJSicp

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I want to tweet this 1000 times (on this capitalist platform, no less). [#FeministMemory](#) [#16Days](#) [twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge...](https://twitter.com/WhoseKnowledge...)



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It's supposed to be time for the tweet chat to end, but we are having such a good conversation. Please continue if you want! For those who need to go, thank you for an invigorating chat on [#FeministMemory](#) and open knowledge for [#16Days](#).



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