2020 UPDATE



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Editorial Team: Jane Gifford (AARNet) – since 2015 | Audrey Gerber (IUCC) – since 2017 | Morten Anderson (NORDUnet) – since 2020

PERFORMANCE



25 October 2015 to 9 June 2020:

344

Stories Published 100

RENs Featured 44,957

Unique Website Users 101,590

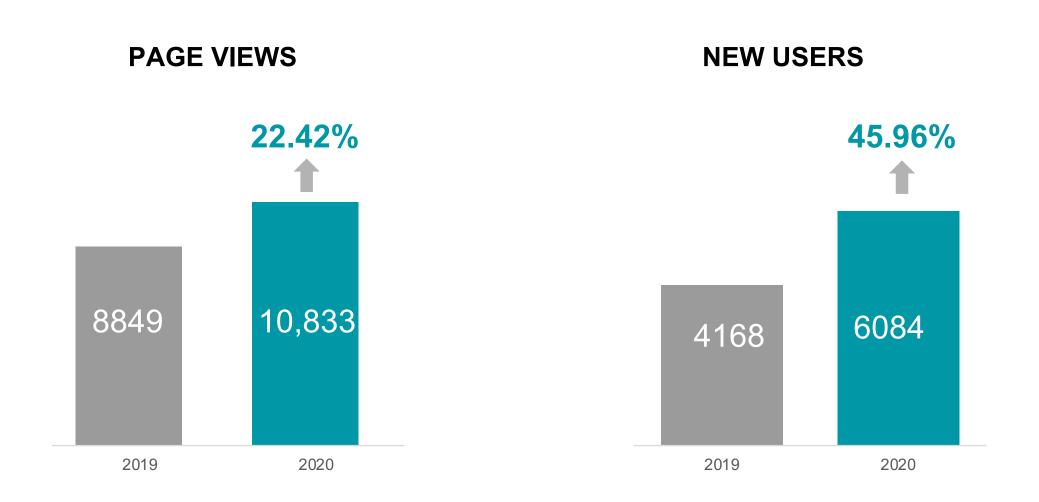
Page Views 202

Website User source countries

Users/Page Views/Countries Source: Google Analytics

COMPARISON: 2019 v 2020

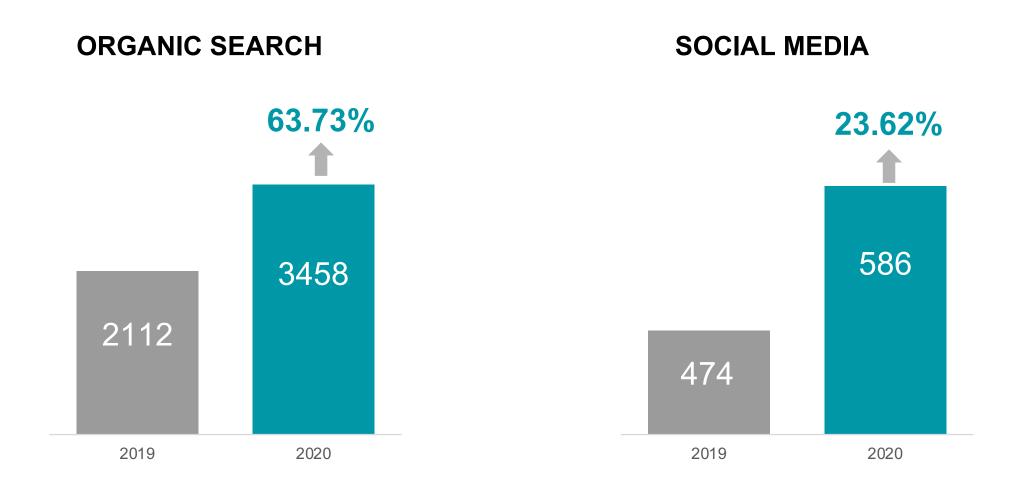




Data comparison for the period 1 Jan – 1 June for 2019 and 2020. Source: Google Analytics

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TOP POSTS 2020



CASTING YOUR DIGITAL VOTE WITH ZEUS

#1 most popular story of all time (published June 2018)



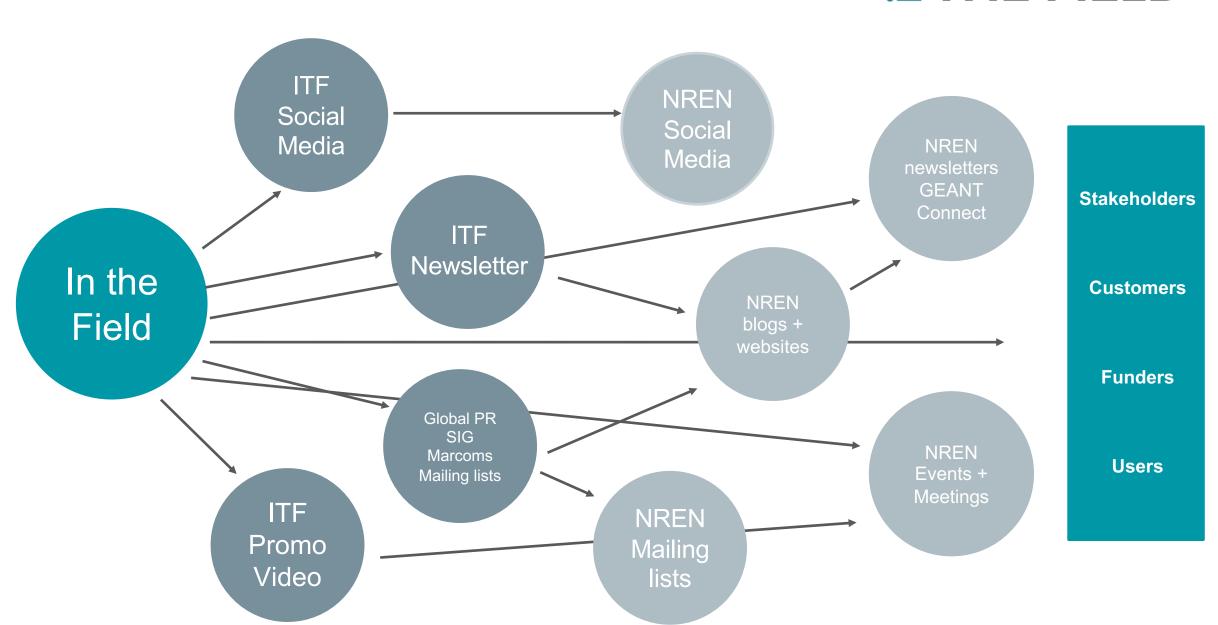
1.	/	P	2,104 (18.23%)
2.	/casting-your-digital-vote-with-zeus/	P	1,971 (17.08%)
3.	/supporting-the-global-challenges-of-the-novel-coronavirus/	P	787 (6.82%)
4.	/how-covid-19-data-is-being-shared-with-researchers-globally/	P	259 (2.24%)
5.	/sensor-networks-helping-predict-and-respond-to-natural-disasters/	P	208 (1.80%)
6.	/why-re-networks/	P	201 (1.74%)
7.	/international-dna-database-drives-genetics-research/	P	151 (1.31%)
8.	/coronavirus-triggers-portuguese-distance-learning-boom/	P	114 (0.99%)
9.	/news/	P	108 (0.94%)
10.	/network/eapconnect/	P	95 (0.82%)

https://www.inthefieldstories.net/casting-your-digital-vote-with-zeus/

Source: Google Analytics

SPREADING THE WORD





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SWOT ANALYSIS



strengths

- Unique collaboration platform for the the global NREN community
- Shared resource of use cases for all NRENs to utilize
- Raises awareness of the NREN value proposition globally
- Powerful impact marketing tool, particularly for emerging NRENs
- Focus more on developing stories around thematic research areas and hot topics like COVID-19
- Targeted social media campaigns in selected regions via local partners

weaknesses

- Slow down in rate of submissions /dwindling enthusiasm for site from some NRENs
- Skills gap and staff turnover in some regions compromises story quality
- Relevance of site only anecdotal evidence about site being used for intended purpose of lobbying funders or reaching out to end users

- Loss of one or more key editorial team members due to career/role changes or funding issues
- Ongoing funding is required for site maintenance, development and editorial resources.

opportunities

threats

WHAT CAN YOU DO?



- Submit a story, or an idea for a story
- Share published stories with your community via social media, newsletters
- Promote at global NREN conferences and events

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THANK YOU!