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- is a digital commons not a magazine - a public service on the web not a commodity
- is an independent, public interest, not-for-profit; a counter to the corporate media
- champions human rights
- seeks out and debates forms of democratic change
- delights in good ideas vigorously debated and argument backed by investigation
- critiques vested interests
- supports pluralist inclusion without populism and tries to give voice to those marginalised
- tries neither to blink at the crisis of government nor cultivate alarmism
- opposes fundamentalisms, including market fundamentalism
- regards the freedom and liberty of others as our own
- practices 'openness', rather than grasp at stultifying 'neutrality'
- publishes under [Creative Commons](#) licensing
- supports peace-making and reconciliation
- is committed to global education and encouraging good and creative writing
- welcomes a range of forms to enable us to respond swiftly and interrogate deeply

## *The openDemocracy model*

We have an open, federal organisation that reflects our values in the architecture of the website and the way we operate, with Sections that are editorially independent, do their own publishing and raise their own funding - while the Main Site publishes on all general issues, inspires and hosts new debates, encourages guest editors and manages production and the business side.