Sonia Livingstone and Jasmina Byrne presented Global Kids Online at the World Summit on the Information Society in Geneva, May 2016, in a session entitled Children’s Rights in the Digital Age. Also presenting were Alexandre Barbosa from Cetic.br and Latin American Kids Online, Nevine Tewfik from the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology in Egypt, and Esperanza Magpantay from the ITU.

At stake was the fact that, although children are often celebrated as the internet pioneers or ‘digital natives’, in most countries it is not even known how many children have internet access, let alone whether its use is beneficial or harmful for them. The Global Kids Online framework offers a new and comprehensive approach to improving the evidence base for policy makers at national and international levels, in collaboration with partners worldwide.

For Sonia's powerpoint slides, see here.

For session overview, see here and the session report is available here.

A report from the follow-up WSIS Forum event is also available, see here.