

## Two e-Democracy Sites now Active

Two new eDemocracy sites are now up and active.

The [E-Democracy.Org Forums](#) site is now home to [Public Issues Forum pilots](#) in five UK localities. Several of the pilot forums will be opened for participation in early February.

The recently opened [DoWire Forums](#) site is supporting a new [Public Sector Webcasting and Multimedia Online Community of Practice](#) and, in March, will be the venue for a [Public Sector Webcasting E-Conference](#).

These sites have been established through collaboration between GroupSense, [IOPEN](#), Steven Clift and Tim Erickson. Both use [GroupServer](#) which has acquired many new features over the last month.

## GroupServer Selected by Steven Clift for e-Democracy Projects

Steven Clift has selected GroupServer to support e-Democracy projects in in Minnesota and the UK.

E-Democracy public speaker, researcher and online strategist [Steven Clift](#) has selected [GroupServer](#) to support [Public Issues forum pilots](#) as part of a [UK Local E-democracy National Project](#).

Steven Clift has engaged GroupSense and [IOPEN](#) to add a variety of Participant and Administration features to GroupServer and to package GroupServer so that it can be downloaded freely via the Web and installed. GroupSense and IOPEN have also set up the [E-Democracy.Org Forums](#) site to support the UK pilot forums and other existing forums that will move to GroupServer.

## GroupServer.Org Created

GroupServer now has its own website at [groupserver.org](#).

[www.groupserver.org](#), a GroupServer site itself (of course), will be the home for information about the features and development plans for [GroupServer](#) as well as the GroupServer Team and GroupServer Admin online groups.

## Public Areas Visible on Online Groups Site

The Online Groups site now has two "divisions" that are visible on the Web.

They are:

- Tofu Groups
- Biodiversity Online Groups

## New Website online

With thanks to Richard and Josh, Dan has got the new GroupSense website off to a new start.

The content is currently at a basic minimum but it is new content, reflecting the current focus and services of GroupSense. You can expect it to be gradually evolving and expanding.

The thanks to [Richard](#) and [Josh](#), are for their help getting this site going on a new XML, CSS and docbook website framework. It's so much easier to edit the site structure. And it will be really good when the whole site can be rendered in PDF.

## Sociocorpus Relunched

Sociocorpus, the GroupSense blog, has been relaunched [here](#).