

The Internet Society An Update

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What is the Internet Society?

- Founded in 1992 by Internet Pioneers
- Dedicated to ensuring the open development, evolution and use of the Internet for the benefit of people throughout the world
 - International not-for-profit organization
 - Offices located in Washington and Geneva
 - 90+ organization members
 - 26,000+ individual members
 - 80+ chapters worldwide
 - Regional Bureaus:
 - Africa
 - Latin America and the Caribbean
 - South and Southeast Asia



ISOC Programs

- Trust and Future of the Internet
- User Centric Internet
- Internet Governance leadership
- Internet Policy
 - Preserving the ability to connect, speak, innovate, share, choose and trust
- ISOC Regional Bureaus
- Regional Policy Advisory Groups
- Interconnectivity and Standards
 Development
 - IETF, IESG, IAB
- ISOC Fellowships
- Membership and Chapter Development
- ccTLD workshops
- Conferences and Events
- Publications



ISOC Initiatives (2008-2010)

Enabling Access

- Technical Capacity Building
- Policy, Regulation, and the Access Environment
- Enabling Access for Under-served Communities

- InterNetWorks

- Global Addressing
- Common Internet
- Security & Stability

Trust and Identity

- Architecture and Trust
- Current Problems/Solutions and Trust
- Identity and Trust



Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) http://www.ietf.org

- Internet standards development
 - Meets three times per year
 - No formal membership
 - Working Groups; work done via mailing lists
 - Technically inclined? Consider joining mailing lists on DNS, IPv6, Security, SIP/VoIP, etc.
 - IETF Journal: http://www.isoc.org/ietfjournal/
 - ISOC is the organisational home for IETF

– Upcoming Meetings:

- 74th IETF: March 22-27, 2009, San Francisco
 Hosted by Juniper Networks, San Francisco, USA
- 75th IETF: July 26-31, 2009, Stockholm, Sweden
 Hosted by .SE: Stockholm, Sweden
- 76th IETF: November 8-13, 2009
 Hosted by WIDE: Hiroshima, Japan



Technical Capacity Building

An ISOC activity since 1993

- Co-ordinated by ISOC's Education and Programs team
- Work with Internet community to develop and deliver educational programmes
- Support knowledge-sharing and capacity building, particularly for developing countries
- Early work by ISOC and others resulted in regional conferences, network operator groups. ISOC continues support of "NOGs": AfNOG, MENOG, PacNOG, SANOG, WALC,...
- Through collaborative efforts 500+ people per year receive network training
- Some current focus areas: IXPs and Root Servers



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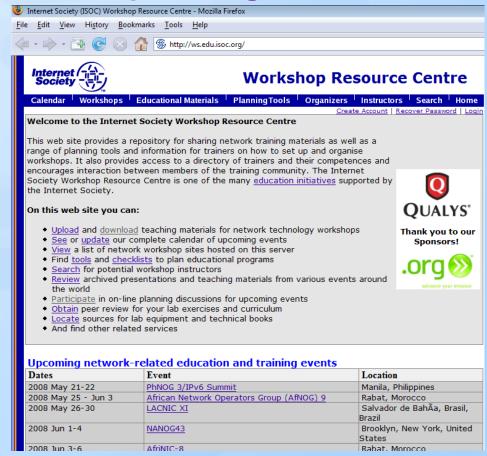
- Organised in partnership with Network Startup Resource Centre (NSRC) http://www.nsrc.org/
- Conducted as hands-on clinics in computer lab environment
- Objective: to provide knowledge and skills ccTLD operators need to build/maintain high quality infrastructure and services
- ISOC/NSRC maintain global ccNOG mailing list for past workshop participants/ccTLD managers to discuss technical issues http://ws.edu.isoc.org/mailing/instructors.php
- Currently working on advanced curriculum, pilot workshop being planned later this year
- Past collaboration in Asia Pacific with ccTLDs, NOGs, others (AIT, APRICOT,....)



ISOC Workshop Resource Centre

http://ws.edu.isoc.org/

 Repository for sharing training materials, planning tools, trainer tools





- New staff, new office space (Reston)
 - Education, Standards/Technology, Grants, Internal Support, Strategic Engagement
- Internal Support Systems
- Regional Bureaus
 - Africa (2006)
 - Latin America/Caribbean (2007)
 - South and Southeast Asia (2008)
- Greater visibility globally
 - Enhance existing partnerships
 - Establish new partnerships



Regional Bureau for South and Southeast Asia (SSEA)

- Established January 2008
 - Supports South Asia, Southeast Asia, Oceania
- Provides regional focus for ISOC activities
 - Public Policy, Education & Training,
 Membership, Standards & Technology
 - allows ISOC better local, national, regional feedback and visibility
- Regional engagement
 - Technical community
 - Policymakers/Regulators
 - Wider engagement



Engaging with ISOC

Possible through many ways!

- Join as an individual member
 - Membership free in "Global Member" category http://www.isoc.org/join/
- Join an ISOC Chapter near you (or help start one!)
 http://www.isoc.org/isoc/chapters/
- Join as an organisational member http://www.isoc.org/orgs/
- Join an IETF Working Group
 http://www.ietf.org/html.charters/wg-dir.html
- Apply for a fellowship to attend an IETF meeting
 http://www.isoc.org/educpillar/fellowship/



Engaging with ISOC (con't)

- Apply to be an ISOC IGF Ambassador
 - http://www.isoc.org/pubpolpillar/governance/igfambassadors/call.shtml
- Attend an Internet event/conference
 http://www.isoc.org/isoc/conferences/events/
- ISOC Project Funding Initiative
 http://www.isoc.org/isoc/chapters/projects/
- Subscribe to an ISOC publication http://www.isoc.org/pubs/
- Subscribe to an ISOC mailing list http://elists.isoc.org/mailman/listinfo
- Apply for a job at ISOC

 http://www.isoc.org/isoc/general/career/







ISIF Asia http://www.isif.asia (Information Society Innovation Fund)

- Grants programme aimed at stimulating creative solutions to ICT development needs in Asia Pacific
- Emphasis on the role of the Internet in socioeconomic development
- Grants up to USD 30,000
- Projects aimed at introducing, improving, and applying Internet technology for the benefit of Asia-Pacific users and communities
- Partners: International Development Research
 Centre (IDRC Canada), ISOC, APNIC, DotAsia
- Deadline for applications September 1st



Talk to us!

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