

Toward Multi-stakeholderism: Recent Amendment Effort on Korean Internet Address Resources Act

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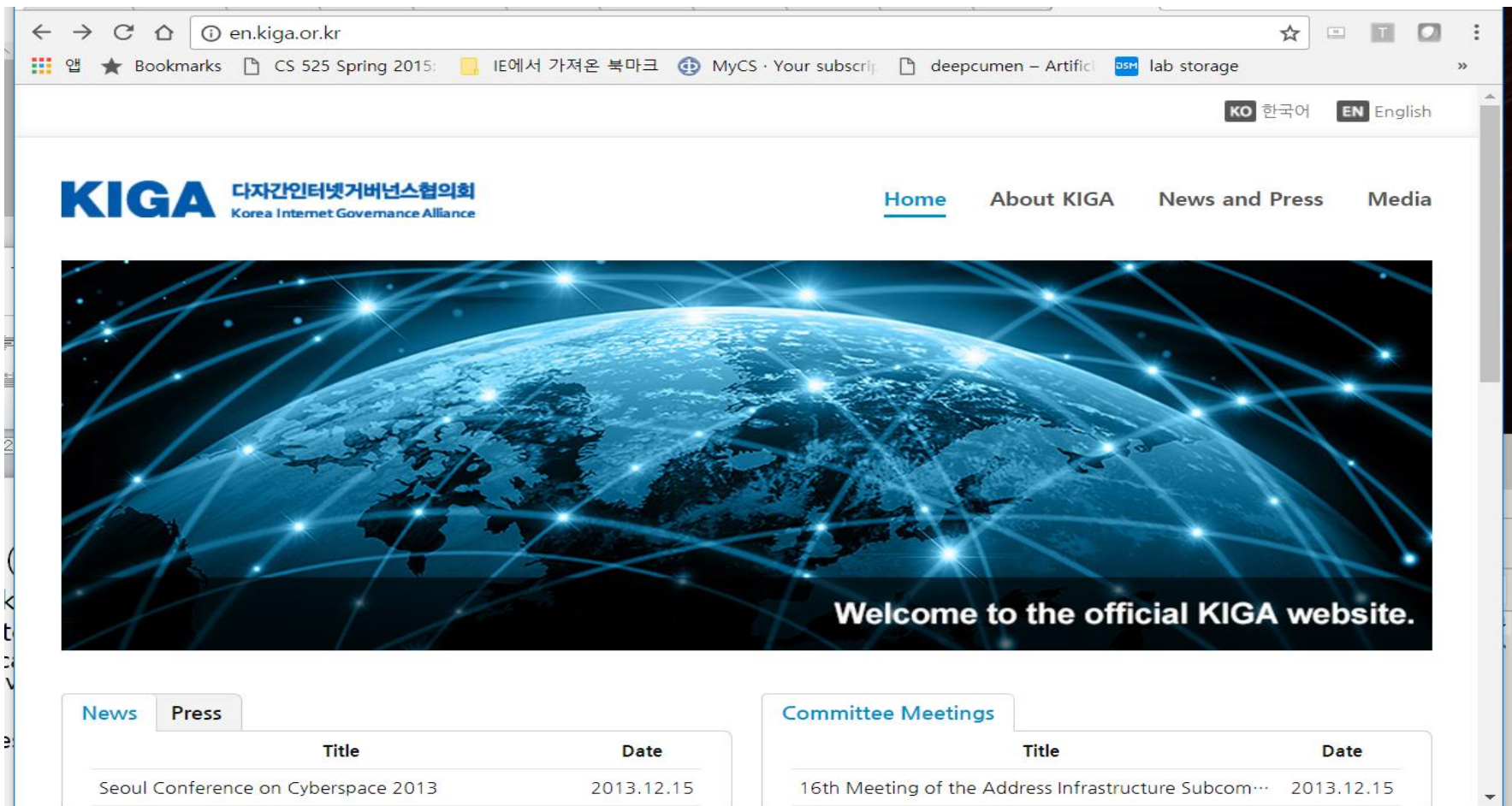
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Korea IG Brief History

- 1985 ~ 1997: Network Operator Committee (NOC)
- 1998: KRNIC – Number and Name Committee (NNC)
- 1999: Name Committee (NC)
- 2004: Internet Policy Review Committee
- 2006~2009:
- 2009: KIDA – Internet Address Committee
- 2013: KIGA (Limited participations)
- 2015: KIGA (multi-stakeholder participations)

Korea Internet Governance Alliance (KIGA)

- <http://en.kiga.or.kr>



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News **Press**

Title	Date
Seoul Conference on Cyberspace 2013	2013.12.15

Committee Meetings

Title	Date
16th Meeting of the Address Infrastructure Subcom...	2013.12.15

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- <http://en.kiga.or.kr>
- Steering committee
 - Nominated by academia, civil society, technology, business, and government sectors
- Sub-committee
 - Internet addresses and names
 - KriGF program
- WGs
 - Governance structure
 - Policy development process
 - IG school

Internet Address Resources Act (1)

- Decision making process / major player
: **Government drive strongly, but democratic manner and cooperation of the private sector**

Article 3 (Obligations of State)

- (1) The State **shall** endeavor to promote the development and use of Internet address resources and ensure that Internet addresses are used in a fair and appropriate manner.
- (2) The State shall endeavor to ensure that policies related to Internet address resources are formulated and implemented in a transparent and democratic manner.

Article 5 (Formulation and Implementation of Basic Plans)

- (1) The Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning **shall** formulate and implement basic plans on the development, promotion of use or management of Internet address resources.
- (2) Basic plans shall include the following matters:
 1. Basic objectives for the development, promotion of use or management of Internet address resources;
 2. Matters concerning the present status or supply and demand of Internet address resources;
 3. Matters concerning the development and standardization of Internet address resources;
 4. Matters concerning the protection of users of Internet addresses and the settlement of disputes;
 5. Matters concerning cooperation on Internet address resources between the State or local governments and the private sector;
 6. Matters concerning international cooperation on Internet address resources;
 7. Matters concerning the procurement or operation of financial resources for the development, promotion of use or management of Internet address resources;
 8. Other matters concerning the development, promotion of use or management of Internet address resources.

Internet Address Resources Act (2)

- Participation of other players
: **Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee consultation**
(nominated and administered by Government)

Article 5 (Formulation and Implementation of Basic Plans)

- (3) The Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning shall, when it formulates basic plans, undergo the deliberation of the Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee under Article 6.

Article 6 (Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee)

- (1) The Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Deliberation Committee") shall be established **under the control** of the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning,
so
as to deliberate on policies for Internet address resources, etc.
- (2) The Deliberation Committee shall deliberate on the following matters:
1. Matters concerning the formulation and implementation of basic plans;
 2. Matters concerning approval for the entrustment of duties of Internet address management organizations under Article 9;
 3. Matters concerning approval for rules on the management of Internet addresses under Article 13;
 4. Matters concerning major policies for the settlement of disputes related to Internet addresses;
 5. Matters concerning international cooperation related to Internet address resources;
 6. Other policy matters related to Internet address resources, submitted by the Chairperson.

Internet Address Resources Act (3)

- Appointment process of Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee : **Top-down style (neither election nor bottom-up process), partial multi-stakeholder**

Article 6 (Internet Address Policy Deliberation Committee)

- (4) Members of the Deliberation Committee shall be persons with abundant knowledge and experiences on Internet address resources, and shall be commissioned or nominated by the Chairman of the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning, from among persons falling under any of the following subparagraphs:
1. Any public official in Grade III or higher, or any person who holds or held a position equivalent thereto in a public institution ; (Public)
 2. Any person who holds or held the position of a judge, public prosecutor, attorney-at-law or patent attorney for not less than ten years; (Law)
 3. Any person who holds or held the position of an associate professor or higher in a college or certified research institute, or holds or held a position equivalent thereto for not less than five years, who majored in information and communications; (Academy)
 4. Any person who holds or held the position of an executive in a company related to information and communications for not less than five years; (Business)
 5. Any person who holds or held the position of the representative of an organization or institution related to information and communications; (Technology)
 6. Any person deemed to have qualifications equivalent to the aforementioned positions by the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning. (Government)

Recent Amendment Under Review

- **Reform of decision making process**
 - Introduction of bottom-up process legally and officially
 - Consensus based decision
- **Proposed amendment of Internet governance Act (under review at national assembly)**
 - ~~Government hands over major role in Internet governance to independent organization~~
 - Expansion of committee role
 - Review -> Review + Resolution: Internet Address Policy Committee
 - Added: Development of New Internet address resource and standardization
 - Enlargement of participation of various stake holder(civil society, commercial org., end-users and experts)
 - 10 -> 20;
 - Adoption of ICANN stakeholders (government, academy, technical, business, users)
 - Inclusion of civil society
 - Equal portion of stakeholders is enforced
 - KRNIC is legally defined as core operator of Internet governance in KISA