



Overview European ALSes

ISOC Bulgaria - Bulgaria

Mission : Promote Internet usage, free exchange of information and freedom of speech; ensure Internet for schools and protect privacy.

Main ALS contact: isoc-bulg@isoc.bg

Website : <http://www.isoc.bg>

Catalan Chapter of ISOC – Spain - Cataluna

Mission : Our mission is to increase awareness of the Internet and constructive and responsible ways to use it. As part of the international Internet community we do our part to assure the open development, evolution and use of the Internet for the benefit of all people throughout the Catalan speaking areas and throughout the world. Promote Internet usage, free exchange of information and freedom of speech; ensure Internet for schools and protect privacy.

ICANN issues the ALS is following: Many. Internet governance issues and DNS issues (".eu" and special interest domain names (i.e. ".cat" for the linguistic domain of sites in Catalan language).

Main ALS contact:

Website : www.isoc.cat

Ynernet.org institute - Switzerland

Organisation : Yinternet.org Institute was founded in 1998 with support of Swiss Agency For Development and Cooperation to promote ICT in civil Society. We work closely with various National and International Agencies, for reducing digital divides and producing quality-criteria in Internet project management. Our administration board and our Curatorium (Scientific Committee) is composed of national international experts in eCulture and Free Communication such as Antoine Moreau the co-founder of Free Art Licence, Guillaume Cheneviere the co-founder of the ISO certification process for electronic medias, and Internet project managers.

Mission : DEFINITION AND PROMOTION OF eCULTURE

Main contact :

Website :

netzwerk neue medien - Germany

Organisation : 63, Germans and other European Countries members, a network of internet related: scientists, business people, consumer rights advocates and journalists.

Mission : The purpose of the network new media e.V. is, to strengthen the public discussion about the socio-political aspects of the new media and to promote the preservation and establishment of civil rights in the information society. (See: www.nnm-ev.de and www.nnm-ev.de/wer/index.html)

Main contact :

Website :

Humanistische Union e.V. - Germany

Organisation : The Humanist Union consists of regional active subdivisions and a national and international active federal bureau. Both, the regional subdivisions and the federal bureau are each governed by an elected board.

Mission :

Support and protection of the rights of freedom

Preservation of the rule of law, even in times of crisis

Criminal Policy, which is not only based on correctional facilities

Control of state action

Abolishment of the constitutional protection of secret service operations

Strengthening data protection

Humane conditions of detention and social rehabilitation

Facilitation of political participation

Comprehensive rights for information and the access to records

More rights for direct democratic participation

Reduction of discrimination

effective protection against discrimination

active support for unprivileged groups

equal access for all people to all public places and goods

Separation of State and Church

Equality for all religious and ideological groups

Abolishment of all state induced privileges of the Church, such as religious education as regular school subject, collection of church taxes as well as any other financial support

Main contact :

Website : <http://www.humanistische-union.de>

FoeBuD e.V. - Germany

Organisation :

Mission :

Main contact :

Website :

Deutsche Vereinigung für Datenschutz (DVD) - Germany

Organisation :

Mission :

Main contact :

Website :

Förderverein Informationstechnik und Gesellschaft (FITUG) e.V. - Germany

Organisation : FITUG is controlled by the General Assembly of its members. General Assemblies are held every two years. The General Assembly elects an Executive Board that legally represents FITUG, and manages the association's business. In addition to these formal mechanisms, any important decisions and activities are coordinated through a closed members' mailing list.

Mission : Our standardized "about FITUG" statement: FITUG creates connections to the virtual world of new media and data networks. From our statutes: "The association's purpose is the fostering of the integration of new media with society, public education about technologies, risks, and dangers of these media, and the fostering of human rights and consumer interests with respect to computer networks." FITUG is a member of the Global Internet Liberty Campaign.

Main contact :

Website :

Committee for a Democratic United Nations - Germany

Organisation : The Committee for a Democratic U.N. (KDUN) is a non-governmental organization located in Germany. It is non-partisan and

recognized as charitable under tax laws. KDUN supports international democracy and the strengthening of the United Nations. It is a volunteer network whose membership consists of NGOs from Austria, Germany and Switzerland as well as individual members mainly from Germany.

Mission : Promote democratic practice within the United Nations and other global governance affairs.

Main contact :

Website :

Forum InformatikerInnen für Frieden und gesellschaftliche Verantwortung (FIfF) e.V. - Germany

Organisation : The Organization is led by a Board of Directors, which holds meetings every two months. Decisions are made in these Meetings and - in case of urgency - by Mail and will be documented in Meeting Minutes and in an internal Wiki. The Board is elected biannually by the General Assembly.

Mission : The organization deals with Information Technology in general and its impact on society. We aim to provide a forum for discussing these issues. Topics are (but not limited to):

- Internet governance
- Privacy issues
- Intellectual property rights
- Surveillance

Our target is to inform the public and provide input to the scientific discussion of these issues.

Main contact :

Website :

Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. - Germany

Organisation : The Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. is a non for profit organisation (in German "eingetragener Verein") under German Law (Vereinsrecht). The Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. operates under a legal statute (Vereinsstatut). According to its statutes, the Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. has individual members. Every citizen/resident, who supports the mission of the e.V., can become a member.

The Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. is a "Bürgerverein" (Civil Society Organisation). It

was established in 1989 as part of the East German revolution which started in the city of Leipzig. Its mission is to promote the development of the city of Leipzig towards the "Information Society". Its main activities are the promotion and initiation of cultural and scientific projects, related to the Internet and other media issues. The constituents of the e.V. are mainly engaged citizens, primarily from the academic sector. The e.V. has about 40 members.

Mission : The mission of the e.V. is to support the transformation of the city of Leipzig into a "media city" by initiating and developing cultural and scientific projects. Since the end of the 1990s the Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. became the main driving force for the development of the Internet in the city by organising events like the annual Netd@ys and the Internet-Fiesta (in cooperation with the European Commission). The new slogan was "Media City Leipzig" in the 21st Century means "Internet City Leipzig". Part of this string of activities was the establishment of the ICANN Studienkreis. The 1st ICANN Studienkreis meeting took place in January 2001 in Leipzig and was organized by the Medienstadt Leipzig e.V. (five ICANN Directors participated in this meeting which was supported by DENIC and SWITCH).

Main contact :

Website : www.medienstadt-leipzig.org

CLUSIT - Associazione Italiana per la Sicurezza Informatica - Italy

Organisation : CLUSIT talks with Italian Government, relating to IT Security issues, new laws, privacy issues, etc. CLUSIT has got 2 decision bodies: CD (Comitato Direttivo=Steering Committee or Board of Directors), and CTS (Comitato Tecnico-Scientifico=Scientific-Technical Committee)

Mission : Raise the computer security culture among companies, public administrations and common citizens.
Participate and contribute to development of laws, practical codes, correct behavior in computer security both at national and international level.
Contribute to the definition of learning programs and of certifications for computer security professionals .
Promote the adoption of methodologies and technologies which can contribute to the improvement of the security level of the information infrastructure at all levels.

Main contact :

Website :

Internet Society Nederland

Organisation : We have little over 800 members who are all private persons, located in The Netherlands, with a strong interest in the internet. Most of our members are professionally involved in the internet and working for ISP's, companies using the internet, government, universities, legal companies, consultancies, etc.

Mission : our mission statement: "To stimulate the use and application of internet in The Netherlands and to participate in the evolution and development of the internet in an international context."

Main contact :

Website : www.isoc.nl