Day 1
Dubai 5 March 2013

Attendees:

Sarmad Hussain, Fouad Bajwa, Manal Ismail, Nabil Bukhalid, Ali Al-Meshal, Mohamed El-Bashir, Zahid Jamil (remote);

Sofie Maddens (ISOC), Paul Rendek (RIPE NCC), and Hisham Ibrahim (AfriNIC) were invited to join the meeting.

Main points:

Agreed on the structure of the sub-group documents as follows:

- Stakeholders (Beneficiaries & Contributors)
- Current Status
- Objectives (max. 3-5 objectives, one sentence each)
- Recommendations (prioritized)
- Actions (3-column tabel: Actions | Priority | Timeframe)

Went through SG1 document on DNS stability and security:
Discussed need for a regional organization (e.g. RIR); no agreement on need for an RIR; participants were leaning more toward localizing existing organizations / forums and formulating a mechanism (could still be a body of some sort) to strengthen engagement from the region in Internet technical / policy related issues;
Agreed that some of the suggested objectives (5) / recommendations (1-a, 1-d) need to be revised;

WG will re-convene on 6-Mar at 9am. Meeting takes place at Congress 4 room on 6th floor.
Agenda includes SG2 and SG 3 documents; structure of final document, next steps and timeline.

Day 2
Dubai 6 March 2013
9:00-19:00

Attendees:

Sarmad Hussain, Fouad Bajwa, Manal Ismail, Christine Arida, Nabil Bukhalid, Ali Al-Meshal, Mohamed El-Bashir, Khaled Koubaa, Fahd Batayneh, Sofie Maddens (ISOC).

Main points:

Went through SG2 and SG3 documents; did some cleaning up in
Objectives, recommendations, and actions;
Agreed on the structure of the final document; drafted a skeleton and inserted text from the subgroup documents;
Agreed to merge the area on community development into Internet Governance ecosystem;
Agreed to add representatives from ISOC, RIPE NCC, AfriNIC, UN ESCWA to our mailing list;
Agreed to have a face-to-face meeting in Beijing for those who will be there;
Discussed next steps and time line and agreed on the following actions:

Form 4 subgroups to complete the draft strategy document (attached) as follows:
- SG1: section 6.1;
- SG2: section 6.2;
- SG3: section 6.3;
- SG4: sections 1 to 5 and 7 to 9

Each WG member is required to contribute to **ONLY ONE** subgroup; please indicate which subgroup you wish to be part of by **Friday 8 March**; each subgroup will have a coordinator, but **ALL** members are expected to contribute to the writing exercise;

Subgroups to complete writing their sections by March 20th;
Baher to compile the draft strategy document and post / circulate it by March 27th;
WG to give an update at ICANN Beijing (date TBD);
Public comment period closes on 24 April;
Final strategy document to be completed by 10 May.