

Internet Governance

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Agenda

- + Internet Governance Today
- + The UN and ITU Strands
- + Brazil; 1Net
- + ICANN Panel
- + What is at stake?

Internet Governance Today

- + No longer a side issue!
- + When politicians are involved?
- + We need to have common understanding

The UN Strand

- + The WSIS+10 Review
- + The CSTD WG on Enhanced Cooperation
- + IGF Mandate

WSIS+10 Review

- + Paragraph 111 of Tunis Agenda
- + UN mandate to ITU, UNDP etc
- + UNESCO Conference (1st Summit)
- + ITU Summit planned for April
- + Final form of “Review” Summit to be determined in UNGA (March 2014)

CSTD WG on “Enhanced Cooperation”

- + EC as term of Art (Tunis Agenda again)
- + Issue on whether “operational” or not
- + CSTD WG - looking at evidence for “enhanced cooperation” in practice
- + Pivotal issue for WSIS

Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Mandate

- + IGF established under Tunis Agenda
- + Has revolutionized IG; spawned regional and national fora
- + Mandate extended in 2015 for 5 years
- + Up for renewal in 2015 after Istanbul (2014) and Brazil (2015)

ITU Strand

- + An evolutionary approach
- + WCIT in December 2012
- + WTPF last May (on Internet Governance)
- + WTDC in April 2014 in UAE
- + Plenipotentiary (PP-14) in Oct/Nov in Busan;
Korea

Why PP-14 important?

- + Significant elections of Secretary General, Deputy and others;
- + Opportunity (every 4 years) to change Constitution (such as scope);
- + Internet Governance will be a key issue
- + Key opportunity?

Brazil and 1Net (1)

- + Conference on Internet Governance in San Paulo; Brazil; 23-24 April;
- + <http://rt.com/news/brazil-internet-summit-fight-nsa-006/>
- + Key opportunity to debate IG in climate of reduced trust in governmental institutions
- + Multi-stakeholder preparatory process and discussion

Brazil and 1Net (2)

- + 1Net a “vehicle” for discussions on IG established at Bali IGF in November;
- + Open, transparent and inclusive; <http://1net.org/>
- + Steering Committee to be established;
- + Output to include “Papers” for Brazil Conference and other fora;
- + A lively discussion has ensued....

Panel on Global Internet Cooperation and Governance Mechanisms

- + Fifth Strategic Panel
- + Established in November to look at future models for Internet Governance;
- + Will feed into Brazil and beyond
- + Panel met in London last week; Chaired by Estonian President Ilves;
- + Press Notice
<http://www.icann.org/en/news/press/releases/release-13dec13-en>
- + Future meetings in LA and Dubai

Questions and Discussions

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