



FY 13 Highlights...

1. Flagship Projects:

- a. The Africa DNSSEC Roadshow (4 countries covered in FY13)
 - i. <http://dnssec-africa.org>
- b. The Africa MIGWORKS workshop in Addis Ababa early March 2013
- c. The Africa DNS Forum
 - i. The Africa domain name Awards
 - ii. Two major Awards to the two top runners: ZADNA/ZACR of South Africa; and KHEWEUL of Senegal

2. Communication

- a. www.africanncommunity.org site provide information on African ICANN and Internet development related issues.
- b. We continue to inform our stakeholders through various mailing lists.

3. Outreach Activities by the VP

- a. Addis Ababa (Ethiopia): March 2013 :IAD Africa (Innovation and African Development)
- b. Yaoundé (Cameroon) April: CTO's Forum on Cyber security
- c. Cape Town (South Africa): World Economic Forum for Africa
- d. Libreville (Gabon): June: New York Forum for Africa
- e. Lusaka (Zambia): Afrinic 14

4. Sponsoring: ICANN Africa sponsored the following events during FY13

- a. The CTO's forum on Cyber security in Yaoundé, Cameroon;
- b. The Africa Internet Governance Forum in Nairobi, Kenya

Conclusions & Way forward

- Three ICANN staff members have been recruited and additional staff will be joining in the course of FY15.
- We believe the roll out of these key strategic projects would help transform the domain name landscape in Africa.
- Country visits and participation to regional and continental events were used to further introduce ICANN to a wider audience and deepen our engagement with Governments, civil society, private sector and academia
- FY14 and FY15 will be used to launch and implement other major projects
- The success of these initiatives will depend on an aggressive partnership with other players in the domain in Africa on the one hand, and a renewed engagement with African stakeholders
- Delegation and redelegation issues still remain in some ccTLDs

FY 14 Highlights...

1. Flagship Projects:

- a. The Africa DNSSEC Roadshow (Phase 2)
 - i. 4 more countries have been covered in FY14 (see details at <http://dnssec-africa.org>)
- b. Workshop on Domain Names, Trademarks successfully held Cotonou, Benin, 5-6 May 2014. More details at <http://cot14.africanncommunity.org/>
- c. Support to registrars (Support to DNS Industry from 'underserved' regions,): Framework currently under public comment here: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/dns-underserved-2014-05-14-en>
- d. Internship and mentoring programme: ICANN currently processing the Letters of agreement with participating registries and registrars.
- e. .ZM redelegated to ZICTA at Singapore meeting
- f. Africa ccTLD study underway in partnership with AFTLD and ISOC.

2. Communication

- a. www.africanncommunity.org provides information on African ICANN and Internet development related issues. The site is now revamped and bilingual
- b. Discussion lists created for
 - i. Africa's participants in various AC/SO
 - ii. Domain Names and trademark topics
- c. Blogs produced by Team on topical areas in Africa (blog.icann.org)
- d. Monthly newsletters to update our community more.
 - i. Available <http://africanncommunity.org>
- e. Breakfast meetings to update the community. (First in Nairobi Kenya in April 2014 and Dakar, Senegal February 2014)

3. Engagement with African stakeholders

- a. The Africa staff has carried out a number of Outreach missions targeted at governments, ICANN SO / AC members, Academia, Civil Society and the private sector. To date, we have been able to visit at least 80% of African countries to engage our stakeholders.
- b. Participation in International events including World Economic Forum on Africa and Africa Internet Summit 2014; WTDC and ITU PP: African Preparatory meetings; NetMundial

4. Sponsoring: ICANN Africa has sponsored the following events during FY14

- a. IAD 2014, The Gambia
- b. Africa ccTLD study
- c. AIS 2014 in Djibouti

5. Deployment of Anycast root project and Copies of L-Root servers

- a. 6 countries have applied so far and are under processing.

6. Staffing

- a. Two more managers have since been recruited in Africa: Yaovi Atohou and Bob Ochieng

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