

## **IG TOPICS FOR APRALO / APAC**

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# Internet Governance Forum (IGF) – What it

- Established through the WSIS Process – Tunis Agenda (2005)
- Pre-eminent focus / locus for discussions of Internet Governance Issues
- Looks at *hard* (ICANN/RIR) issues and *soft* (privacy /HR)
- The 10<sup>th</sup> IGF is in Brazil in November
- ICANN – a major contributor – both in involvement and funding

# Internet Governance Forum (IGF) – Why important?

- Completely open and global environment – legitimacy
- Fora in which ICANN can engage with global Community
- Although non-binding, an excellent vehicle for dialogue
- Mandate extension debate reflects success

# World Summit on Information Society (WSIS) - Process and Review

- What is it all about?
- Why is it important?
- The Review Process
- The Opportunities and Risks

# WSIS – What is it all about?

- Called for by ITU; Marrakesh; 2002
- Was in two phases; 2003 (Geneva) and Tunis (2005)
- Essence was about lost economic opportunity, digital divide; affordability; but....
- Political agenda became “Who controls Internet”

# WSIS – Why is it important

- Tunis Agenda recognises specific need for management of critical Internet Resources in a multi-stakeholder environment
- It establishes IGF mandate
- Allows opportunity for ICANN to demonstrate multi-stakeholder model and contribution to WSIS Action Lines (such as security of Internet and multi-linguism)

# WSIS – The Review Process

- Paragraph 111 of Tunis Agenda call on the UNGA to “.....make an overall review of the implementation of WSIS outcomes in 2015”
- UNGA Set program in place in 2013 with a UNESCO hosted Conference, and an ITU HLM in 2014
- Next Step a “10 Year Review of WSIS Outcomes” Report to be adopted by CSTD in May
- All these inputs to be considered by UNGA in HLM in December



# WSIS – Opportunities and Risks

- **Opportunity** for UNGA to welcome WSIS progress generally, to recognise role of ICANN (and the broader Technical Community), and to recognise importance of IANA Transition; and also renews IGF mandate
- **Risk** that the UNGA may put in place a new “preparatory process” for a new Summit with purpose of re-writing Tunis Agenda

# SOME OTHER ISSUES

- ICANN CCWG on Internet Governance
- OECD Ministerial in 2016
- Council of Europe
- Commonwealth

# ICANN CCWG ON IG

- Established (actually prompted by CEO) during the 2014 ICANN49 Meeting in Buenos Aires;
- Initial focus was the NMI discussions in Sao Paulo; paper produced;
- Has also worked on WSIS Papers (for CSTD and UNESCO); just submitted workshop proposal for Brazil IGF
- Organized with staff IG Session at ICANN 53 (Singapore) and will do for ICANN 54 (Buenos Aires)
- Three Chairs; Olivier Crepin-LeBlond (ALAC); Jordan Carter (.NZ); Rafik Dammak (NCUC)

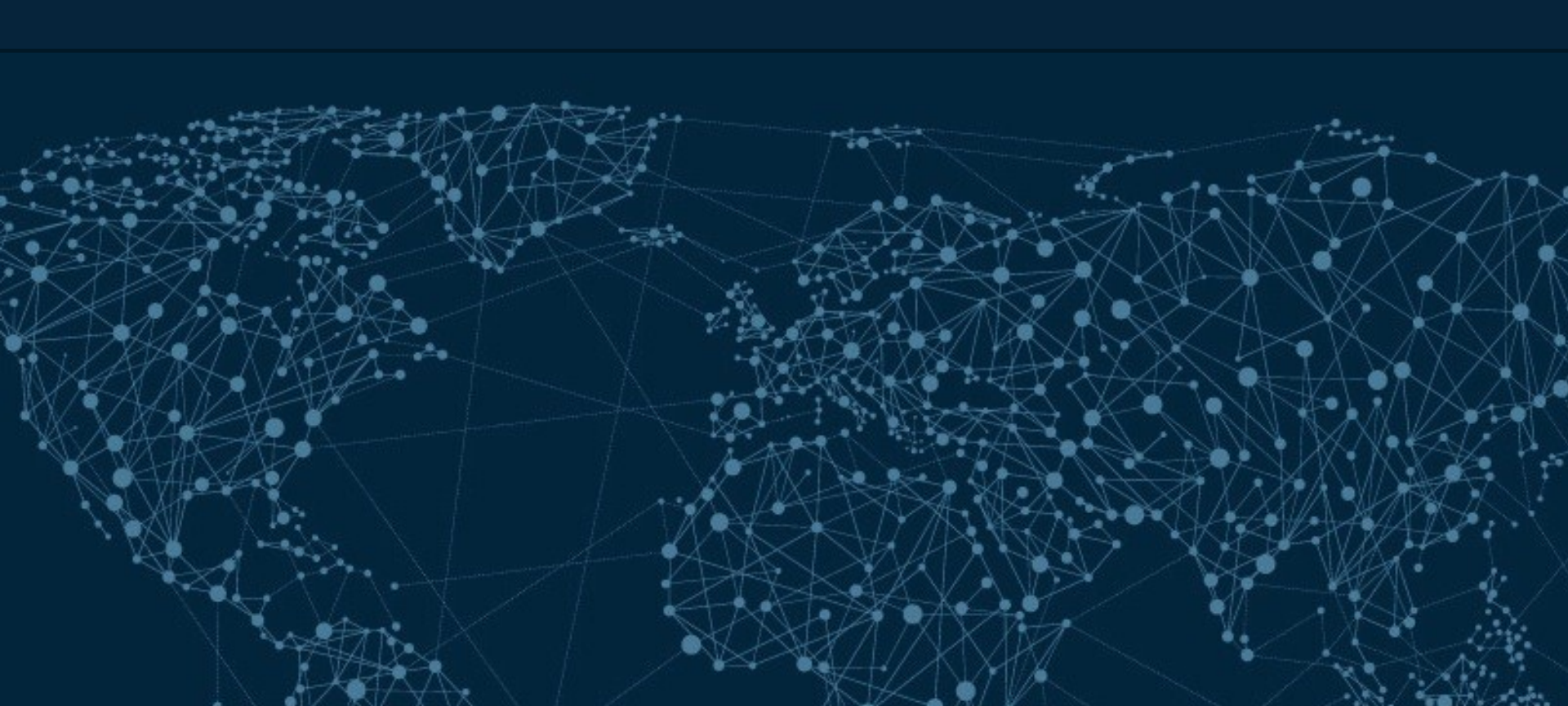
# OECD and 2016 Ministerial

- ICANN part of Technical Committee (ITAC) in OECD – thus place at table;
- Participate in main “economy policy” WG (CDEP);
- CDEP organizing a Ministerial meeting of member Countries to discuss Internet and Economy (last was in Seoul in 2008)
- ICANN will take part and contribute

- Council of Europe has membership of 54 countries across Europe
- ICANN an Observer in the Internet and media Committee (CDSMI)
- Have been involved in recent COE Resolution on ICANN and Human Rights which is due to be adopted;
- Resolution seeks a more permanent focus on Human Rights, *inter-alia*, in policy development process, at ICANN

# Commonwealth – ICANN involvement

- An excellent body to facilitate dialogue across a diverse range of countries;
- We work with Commonwealth Secretariat on Cybercrime Initiative (CCI) and with Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation (CTO) on broad range of issues;
- On CCI we contribute expertise and practical help on establishing capacity in Africa and Caribbean
- ICANN involved in annual Cybersecurity Conferences and annual CTO Council process, at ICANN



**Thank you!**