

### INTERNET GOVERNANCE

History and updates from the Internet Society

"Internet governance is the development and application ...of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programmes that shape the evolution and use of the Internet" -WSIS (Tunis, 2005)



### **Paradigm shift**

Centralised control

Decentralised governance

**Hierarchical structures** 

**Closed standards** 

Heterogeneous networks

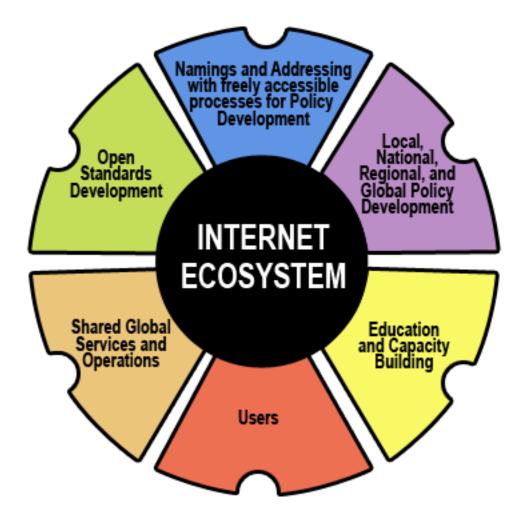
Open standards

High barriers to entry

Low barriers to entry



#### **The Internet Ecosystem**





## Recent Activities on Internet Governance



#### **The Internet Governance Forum**

- Recent milestones include the Best Practices Forums and the IGF Support Association (IGFSA), both launched at the 2014 IGF in Istanbul
- At the 2<sup>nd</sup> IGF MAG meeting last month, the MAG agreed to organise main sessions on WSIS and IGF+10 at IGF 2015 in Brazil, to showcase IGF's progress over the past decade
- In addition to the 6 Best Practices Forums, a public call for input on *"Policy Options for Connecting the next Billion"* was launched. The output will feed into WSIS+10



### WSIS+10 Review

- High-level meeting of the UN General Assembly in December 2015
- Discussions are expected to focus on the role of ICTs in development, as well as on topics like Internet governance, human rights, access to ICTs and security
- The renewal of the IGF mandate will also be discussed





### WSIS+10 Review – Progress so far

- UNESCO and ITU have hosted WSIS+10 events in 2013 and 2014 in Paris and Geneva to draft input documents for the upcoming December meeting
- In Asia-Pacific, WSIS+10 will be included in the agenda of the APT Policy and Regulatory Forum in August
- We invite you to sign on to a letter calling for the UNGA to create a WSIS+10 preparatory process that is open and inclusive of all stakeholders:

### openwsis2015.org



### **Asia-Pacific Regional IGF**

- Main theme: 'Evolution of Internet Governance: Empowering Sustainable Development'
- Pre-event: "Gender and Internet Governance Cram Class"
- 34 workshops on:
  - Internet Economy
  - Cybersecurity and Trust
  - Internet & Human Rights
  - Inclusiveness & Diversity
  - Critical Internet Resources
  - Openness
  - Emerging Issues





### Register now: <u>http://2015.rigf.asia/rigf-registration/</u>

### **Internet Governance Calendar 2015**

Global --01 June UN General Assembly WSIS Outcome Process starts

Buenos Aires, Argentina –21 June ICANN 53

Macao –30 June Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF)

New York, US –01 July United Nations Economic and Social Council 2015 session Prague, Czech Republic –19 July IETF 93

New York, US –01 Sept MDGs Summit

New York, US –15 Sept 70th UNGA Session

United States –30 Sept Expiry of the NTIA contract regarding IANA functions

Dublin, Ireland –18 Oct ICANN 54 Yokohama, Japan –01 Nov IETF 94

Geneva, Switzerland –02 Nov World Radio Conference

Joao Pessoa, Brazil –10 Nov IGF 2015

New York, US –15 Dec UNGA High-level Meeting on Overall WSIS+10 Review



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**Pop Quiz** 

# UNESCO and ITU were the 2 UN agencies tasked with implementing the WSIS Action Plan

o True

• False



### **Thank You**

