



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

African Network Information Centre (AFRINIC) Ltd

and

The African Regional At-Large Organisation (AFRALO)

about

COLLABORATION AND MUTUAL SUPPORT

Whereas AFRINIC is the African Network Information Centre, a not-for-profit, membership-based company operating the Regional Internet Registry in Africa,

Whereas AFRALO is a membership-based organisation that is home of the ICANN At-Large community (individual Internet user community) for the African region, providing news, key resources and interactive features for information sharing for individuals and end-user groups in the African region interested in ICANN and shaping the future of the Internet,

Whereas AFRALO and AFRINIC

- I. share in many respects the same community and audience in Africa;
- II. have major objectives that cover the common area of Internet identifiers, including IP addresses and domain names that form the underlying architecture of the Internet;
- III. are willing to combine their efforts to strengthen and consolidate Internet governance and technical knowledge in Africa;
- IV. are committed to encouraging broader participation of African communities within the common area of Internet Unique Identifiers, and utilise the system as one of the channels of contributing to broader socio-economic development of Africa as a region.

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NOW, THEREFORE

AFRINIC and **AFRALO** agree to:

- (i) cooperate and maintain an open communication channel for the mutual development of both organisations;
- (ii) cooperate to encourage internet development in the African region;
- (iii) collaborate to facilitate joint capacity building events and related activities of mutual interest from time to time including meetings, and workshops.
- (iv) collaborate to create awareness, promote both regional and global participation and outreach on matters relating to Internet Identifiers, Internet use, Internet governance, policy development and seek to promote each other at various public platforms.

This agreement is established in common agreement between AFRALO and AFRINIC. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving three months' notice to the other party of intent to terminate this agreement. Either party may initiate a review of the terms of this agreement by giving three months' notice to the other party of intent to review the agreement.

The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that this MOU is non-binding and does not create any obligations under any law.

Executed in **Johannesburg** (South Africa), on **28 June 2017**

Signed for and on behalf of
AFRINIC by

Alan Barrett, AFRINIC CEO

Signed for and on behalf of
AFRALO by

Abdelaziz Hilali, AFRALO Chair