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Agenda

- A quick definition

- More technical issues

- More social / political issues

- Some themes for the future

- Impact on us as a ccTLD Manager

- Our involvement as .nz

A quick definition of Internet Governance

- Governance **of** the Internet
  - Technology, standards, etc
- Governance **on** the Internet
  - Content, services, application

I'll mention issues in **both** areas - they are interconnected.

Some technical issues in Asia-Pac

- Internationalised Domain Names (IDNs)
- DNS Abuse
- Rising cyber-security challenges
- New GLTDs

Some social/political issues in Asia Pac

- Internet shutdowns
- Rising importance of digital inclusion
- Connectivity challenges
- Environmental impact
- Misinformation

Cross-cutting themes - my personal take

- Lots of travel restrictions - can't go back to in person meetings, limits ability to participate

- Security and trust - under greater threat than ever

- Digital inclusion of everyone is more important than ever

- Environmental and climate crises have to be tackled, and the Internet can help

- The social license of the Internet Governance system is falling because it is failing to tackle these challenges.

  → Change and evolve, or be overtaken by governments

For us as a ccTLD

- Participation is challenging - time zones, travel costs
- The issues (technical, social) keep growing - more resources needed
- COVID-19 has made it harder to sustain relationships - bilateral dialogue more significant

Where we from .nz are involved

Our main Internet Governance leaders are:
Jordan Carter - jordan@internetnz.net.nz,
Brent Carey - brent@dnc.org.nz and
Ellen Strickland - ellen@internetnz.net.nz - and we participate widely:

- APrIGF
- Pacific IGF
- dotAsia
- ccNSO (Jordan is Vice Chair)
- ICANN

- APTLD (Brent is Vice Chair)
- the Christchurch Call
- GIFCT
- Internet & Jurisdiction Network
- CENTR

And more! Drop any of us a line to say hi and connect! :-)

Thank you!

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