

Cross-community WG on Internet Governance

A community experience within ICANN

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Background

Context

1. The idea came in Buenos Aires Meeting 2013 and related to Netmundial
2. Formed as ad-hoc group with participants within the ICANN community
3. First and urgent task: a comment during Netmundial consultation process

Challenges

- How to operate with an ad-hoc approach with different stakeholders and respond in timely manner? short time to draft a statement!
- Work within ICANN follow processes/charters! The Group spend time to get chartered by all ICANN groups
- Defining a scope and goals, avoid overlapping with other processes e.g. IANA
- ICANN is already involved in many IG spaces

Current Situation

- With the charter, the group is supposed to give guidance to ICANN staff and CEO about IG issues
- Working with ICANN staff about the organization comments, statements, participation on IG fora
- Facilitating the engagement of ICANN community
 - Commenting CSTD input in Dec 2014
 - Planning for comments to WSIS+10 review
 - an IGF workshop proposal about MS process for IANA stewardship
 - Planning the IG session during ICANN meeting: in Singapore, discussion about NMI, WSIS
- Opening the group to all participants, not just representatives of ICANN structures

Learnings

- How can this benefit as example to Japan IG community?
- Building trust between community and staff/leadership, prevent tensions.
- While we can start initiative by an ad-hoc approach, getting community buy-in and support needs chartering work
- Prioritizing involvement : there are too many spaces/processes in IG world. focusing on relevant matters for ICANN as organization.

References

Working group page : <https://community.icann.org/x/kyWfAg>