



# Enhanced Engagement in Africa

| ICANN52 in Singapore

| February 2015

# Agenda

- **Background**
- **Proposed projects**
- **QA**

# Background

- ICANN 55 is the first meeting after a new IANA stewardship system
- CEO had a call with African community leaders to discuss on how to best prepare for this Marrakech meeting
- Support from ICANN Management for Enhanced Engagement in Africa from now to the ICANN meeting in Africa in 2016.
  - ➔ Proposed projects to be implemented

# Projects

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Active participation in African regional and continental ICT ministerial meetings

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ICANN High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM), During ICANN 55

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NewGen Program during ICANN 55

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Workshop for Africa Telecom regulators during ICANN 55

# Active participation in African regional and continental ICT ministerial meetings

The objectives of the project are to increase awareness among African stakeholders, especially high-level (Ministerial and heads of state) governmental decision-makers on:

- The bottom-up multi-stakeholder Internet Governance model of policy development,
- The role of ICANN in the IG eco-system,
- Key issues on the Internet economy like, IANA Stewardship transition and cybersecurity .

Implementation period: March 2015-February 2016

# ICANN High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM)

- To promote awareness of importance of multi-stakeholder Internet governance and governments' positive engagement in multi-stakeholder fora and entities such as ICANN;
- To support ICANN globalization and outreach to non-participating communities in developing countries and small island states; and to the approx. 50 governments that are not members of the GAC.
- To foster a greater level of meaningful engagement in ICANN issues by more GAC members – still too many are silent observers;
- To secure commitment by governments to support and contribute to ICANN process on IANA stewardship transition;
- To steer discussion of the NETmundial roadmap towards existing multi-stakeholder fora, specifically the Internet Governance Forum

Implementation period: March 2016 (at ICANN 55 Marrakech)

# NewGen Program during ICANN 55

In the framework of the ICANN NewGen Program, an event will be organized in the upcoming ICANN meeting in Marrakech gathering around 10 young Africans (less than 30 years old) from all over Africa.

## Objective

Bring the youth to the ICANN process with their fresh knowledge and their innovative spirit.

## Selection

- A call for expression of interest launched 6 months prior to Marrakech meeting through universities, civil society networks, techno-parks and incubators in which the applicants explain their achievements in the field of Internet.
- An evaluation committee selects the first 10 best achievements, taking into consideration the innovation aspect and the gender and geographic balance.
  - Implementation period: June 2015- March 2016



# Workshop for Africa Telecom regulators during ICANN 55

Sensitize African regulators to be more active and visible on the global scene as well in the technical management and Internet Governance in terms of technologies and their uses.

Sensitize African regulators on the issues and the real impact of the Internet on the future of their countries,

The project is supported by ANRT, the regulator in Morocco

Implementation period: March 4-5, 2016



# Current status of the projects

These is a follow-up ad'hoc group composed by:

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The staff is working on the budget approval process.

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