An <u>Ubuntu</u> Centered ICANN Multi-Stakeholder Model:

*Challenging the parameters of the multi-stakeholder model to a **strategic injection** of the '**youth**' **population** in Africa for **Africa**.*

Mauricia Abdol, ICANN 59

- According to the UNFPA, 66% of the SA population are below 35 years of age.
- 54 million South Africans, where:
- 18.5% are between ages of 10 – 19. and
- 24% between 15-24.

UN wrote in Africa Renewed (online):

- Population between ages of 15-24 estimated at 200 million people.

- The UNPD and Africa development bank among others, indicated that the figure would DOUBLE by 2045.

Are we sufficiently monopolizing on this as change agents in Africa?

*Ensuring a **single, open,** and **globally inter-operable** internet **while promoting competition** and developing policy on the Internet.*

UBUNTU

- **Ubuntu** is an African word meaning **'humanity to others'**.

I **am because we** are and **because we** are, you are.

- Technical example:

  The **Ubuntu** operating system brings the spirit of **Ubuntu** to the world of computers

"**Together** we have the **opportunity** to bring **real technological freedom to every part of the world,** across multiple devices and the cloud, and clothed in an elegant, beautiful, experience. It is **a bold vision**, but **our greatest strength** in *Ubuntu* is our community and **together we can do this**..."

Jono Bacon,
former Ubuntu Community Manager

WHERE TO START?

- An ICANN Youth Multi-Stakeholder Simulation Incubator run by NextGen.

- Strengthening the African Voice in ICANN.

- Establishing an Internet Culture through creativity

WHY?

It uniquely speaks to realizing the ICANN 2016-2020 strategic plan.

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Ensures that the heart of Africa, IT'S YOUTH, **Serve**, **Grow** and **Unite** in an **Innovative** way.

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