Regional Strategy Outlook Update: Eastern Europe & Central Asia

Alexandra Kulikova, Head of Global Stakeholder Engagement Eastern Europe and Central Asia ICANN

31 October, 2017 ICANN60, Abu Dhabi



One strategy – 12 countries





Eastern Europe & Central Asia at a glimpse

- 12 countries: 1/7th of the Earth land surface and 11 time zones
- almost 300 million people total population
- 19 ccTLDs and 6 IDNs among them
- Russian language is the leading language of the web content and Cyrillic is the biggest and the fastest growing IDN script
- 11 L-root instances
- 10 countries are formally represented in the GAC
- 7 ccTLD operators are members of ccNSO
- NO representatives from the Region in ICANN Board
- From 2016 regional community member appointed to At-Large Advisory Committee Board
- In 2017 a regional community member was selected to a review team



Regional Strategy Framework Development



Initial discussions on strategic goals of ICANN in the Region First ICANN employee based in the Region First draft of the Strategy Framework developed internally

Informal
discussions of
Regional
Strategy
Framework with
community
members at
ICANN55

Regional Strategy Framework first public presentation (TLDCON'16 in Tbilisi, Georgia)

Regional
Strategy
Framework
discussion with
community and
adoption at
ICANN57

Regional
Strategy
Framework
update and
implementation
discussion with
community at
ICANN60

>> Ongoing Regional Strategy Framework amendment, development and implementation based on stakeholder feedback and cooperation



Focus on ICANN 5-Year Strategic Goals (FY16-FY20)



Further **globalize/internationalize** and **regionalize** ICANN functions



Bring ICANN to the world by creating a **balanced** and **proactive** approach to **regional engagement** with stakeholders



Support the evolution of the domain name marketplace to be **robust**, **stable and trusted**



Focus on ICANN 5-Year Strategic Goals (FY16-FY20)



Encourage engagement with the existing **Internet governance ecosystem** at national, regional and global levels



Establish mechanisms to increase trust within the ecosystem rooted in the public interest and within ICANN's remit



Empower current and new stakeholders to fully participate in ICANN activities



Regional Strategic Objectives

Regional Strategy as part of ICANN's corporate strategy

- -Compliance with the global strategies and goals
- -Due time and adequate allocation of resources
- -Sharing best practices from other regions
- -Cross-regional interaction

Objective 1

ICANN as a trusted point of expertise for DNS industry, its functionality, **stability**, **security and resiliency** with respect to local context





Objective 2

Focused and in-depth work with stakeholders to make engagement with ICANN mutually beneficial



Objective 1

ICANN as a trusted point of expertise for DNS industry, its functionality, stability, security and resiliency issues with respect to local context:

- Monitor and analyse DNS space in the region
- Deliver first-hand updates on latest developments in ICANN ecosystem
- Update and assist the community regarding high interest existent and emerging issues in the region
- Clarify and specify ICANN core mission in the broader Internet governance ecosystem across stakeholder groups



Objective 2

Focused and in-depth work with stakeholders to make engagement with ICANN mutually beneficial

- Identify awareness raising needs and elaborate on the most topical and region-specific needs for engagement at the national/ subregional/ regional level
- Support and assist in local expertise and capacity development on the topics in ICANN remit as a trusted partner
- Encourage and empower local community participation in ICANN policy development work



Main Focus Areas

1 Security, stability and resiliency of the system of unique identifiers

2 DNS Industry: opportunity for business and national economy

Emerging issues for DNS ecosystem at ICANN org, community, Board and related PDP work



One year of independence after #IANAtransition

1.

- DNS abuse trainings for Law Enforcement agencies with SSR team
- Engaging and building trust within tech-community: cyberawareness and ICANN remit, DNS abuse (DAAR), KSK Rollover updates, trusted cooperation
- Facilitating few L-root instances installation



One year of independence after #IANAtransition

2.

- Academic engagement: New gTLD study with Higher School of Economics
- Facilitating IDN label generation panels work: Georgian,
 Cyrillic panels have completed their work
- Regulatory challenges: New ICANN accredited data escrow agent



One year of independence after #IANAtransition

3.

- GDPR what about other jurisdictions?
- Emerging Identifier systems and technologies
- DNS abuse and accountability issues
- ?



Other engagement activities

- Academic engagement (Higher School of Economics, Taras Shevchenko University, University of Georgia)
- Promoting NextGen and Fellowship programmes as part of Stakeholder journey
- New engagement platforms: Arm SIG, Eastern European DNS Forum
- Russian language landing page on ICANN.org
- There's more to be done...



You asked us a year ago...

- Awareness raising about MSM and ICANN mission
- Strategy development and promotion
- Linguistic accessibility and quality of translations
- Gap contractual obligations discrepancies
- Engagement and participation culture promotion
- Support of local projects and initiatives
- More capacity building on SSR, DNSSEC, DNS ops, RR/RY
- IDN mail solutions and UA progress



How to get in touch



alexandra.kulikova@icann.org

www.icann.org



twitter.com/icann_ru



gplus.to/icann



facebook.com/icannorg



weibo.com/ICANNorg



linkedin.com/company/icann



flickr.com/photos/icann



youtube.com/user/icannnews





Thank you!

Looking forward to your feedback!

Alexandra.kulikova@icann.org

