

# Engaging with the Internet Society

## *An update on activities in the Asia-Pacific*

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# The Internet Society

**An international cause-related organisation that works for the open *development* and *evolution* of the Internet for all people**

The Internet is for everyone...



***and the Internet Society is for everyone who cares about the Internet!***

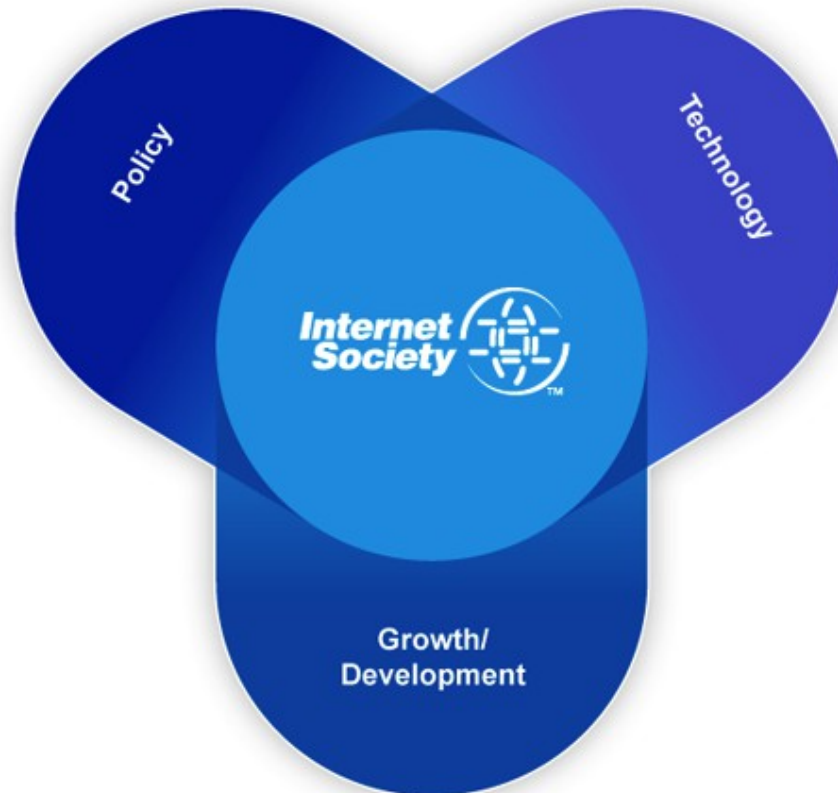
# The Internet Society – who we are

## Founded in 1992 by Internet Pioneers as an International non-profit organisation

- 59,000+ individual members worldwide
- 150+ organisational members
- 100+ chapters
- Regional Bureaus located in:  
Africa, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Latin America & the Caribbean, North America
- Organisational home for
  - Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)
  - Internet Research Task Force (IRTF)
  - Internet Architecture Board (IAB)

# The Internet Society – how we work

- An open and collaborative approach
- At the intersection of Policy, Technology and Development



# The Internet Society – how we work

## Priorities and activities

- Fostering an open, innovative, and trusted Internet worldwide
- Advancing policies and strategies that strengthen the Internet's growth and evolution
- Enabling a vibrant organisation and vital global community to advance the Internet's future
- Empowering people to achieve human potential through unencumbered Internet use

# The Internet Society – how we work

## Some 2014 focus areas

- Maintaining and strengthening multi-stakeholder processes both globally and locally. Working on the global, regional and Chapter level to strengthen, maintain and advancing sustainable models for governing Internet policy
- Promoting robustness and resiliency of Internet security and privacy through technology standards and deployment
- Advancing the deployment of core Internet infrastructure and evolution of technology to ensure the sustainability and reliability of the Internet

# The Internet Society – globally respected

**The Internet Society is globally respected as a resource for balanced information and counsel on issues at the intersection of technology, public policy, development and commerce**

- Organiser and leader: OECD Internet Technical Advisory Constituency (ITAC)
- Consultative status with United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- Official Observer Status in WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization)
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Sector Member
- Seat on the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Multi-stakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)
- **Guest Status in APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation) TEL Working Group**
- **Affiliate Member of APT (Asia-Pacific Telecommunity)**
- MOU with Africa Union
- MOU with Inter-American Telecommunication Commission of the Organization of American States (CITEL)
- Collaborative working relationship with:
  - ICANN, ICC, IEEE, RIRs, W3C, World Economic Forum, WSA, (ISC)<sup>2</sup>
  - + many regional and national organisations:
    - FICCI (MOU), ACCA (Member), APIA (NPO Member), ITAP, SCS, SITF**

# ISOC in Asia-Pacific

## The Numbers

- **Individual Global Members**
  - 17,500+ (~29%)
- **Chapters**
  - 18 (~18%)
  - Including 1 in rejuvenation
- **Chapter Members**
  - 10,000+ (~25%)
- **Organisation Members**
  - 22 (~15%)

*Data as of 18 February 2014*

## Regional Office

- **Singapore**
  - Operational December 2011
- **Staff and Advisors**
  - Rajnesh Singh (Singapore/Sydney)
  - Olivia Loy (Singapore)
  - Duangthip Chomprang (Bangkok)
  - Naveed Haq (Islamabad)
  - Noelle de Guzman (Manila)
  - Senior Manager, Partnership Development (Open)

# Chapters in Asia-Pacific

## **South Asia**

Bangladesh Dhaka  
India Bangalore  
India Chennai  
India Delhi  
India Kolkata  
Nepal  
Pakistan Islamabad  
Sri Lanka

### *In Rejuvenation*

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### *Interest*

Afghanistan  
Bhutan  
India Mumbai  
India Pune

## **Southeast Asia**

Malaysia  
Philippines  
Singapore  
Thailand

### *In Rejuvenation*

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### *In Formation*

- Indonesia Jakarta

### *Interest*

Cambodia  
Viet Nam

## **East Asia and Pacific**

Australia  
Hong Kong  
Japan  
Pacific Islands  
Taiwan Taipei

### *In Rejuvenation*

Republic of Korea

### *Interest*

China  
Mongolia

# Regional Projects and Initiatives

## Capacity Building

- APRICOT
- SANOG
- National NOGs
- Chapter Workshops
- INET Workshops
- W4C
- Training

## Public Policy

- APEC TEL
- APT
- World Economic Forum
- UN Agencies
- National Fora

## Topical Activities

- Access
- Content (local)
- DNSSEC
- IETF Participation
- Internet and Development
- IP/Intermediaries
- Multilingualism
- Online Privacy
- Security
- Special Needs Access
- Standards
- Trust & Identity
- IPv6 Deployment



# Regional Projects and Initiatives

## Wireless for Communities (W4C)

- Community-based wireless networks
- Rural/underserved areas
- Empower the community
- By the community, for the community
- 2 Awards in 2013:
  - *Public Affairs Asia “Internet for Good”*
  - *ITU/MCMC Broadband at the Roots*



# Regional activities in 2014

## **Chapter and Member Engagement**

- Regional Surveys
- Chapter Workshop Q2
- Campaigns & Webinars

## **ISOC Events**

- Regional INET Q3 [Taipei]
- Internet Symposiums/Seminars/Workshops
- Various Joint Events

## **Empowering women and minority communities**

Continuation of Wireless for Communities project

## **Policy Engagement**

- APEC TEL, APT, WEF, Regional/National Fora
- WTDC-14, PP-14

## **Stakeholder Engagement**

- Policy, Technical, Wider Community
- Sub-Regional programmes

# Recently at ISOC...

## **New CEO**

- Kathy Brown
- <http://www.internetsociety.org/news/internet-society-names-kathryn-c-brown-new-ceo>

## **Your Digital Footprint**

- 9 tutorials
- <http://www.internetsociety.org/your-digital-footprint>

## **Deploy360: Operators and the IETF**

- Facilitate communications between operator community and IETF
- <http://www.internetsociety.org/deploy360/blog/2014/01/new-project-operators-and-the-ietf/>

## **Wireless for Communities project wins 2 awards**

- <http://www.internetsociety.org/news/internet-society%E2%80%99s-wireless-communities-project-recognized-two-awards>

# Grants and Programmes

## Community Grants

- Awards up to USD 10,000 per project
- 2 cycles per year (Q1, Q3)
- Focus for current cycle:
  - IPv6, local content creation, multi-stakeholder approach to technology/policy, interconnection and traffic exchange
- <http://internetsociety.org/what-we-do/grants-and-awards/grants/community-grants>

## Leadership Programmes

- eLearning
- IGF Ambassador
- IETF Fellowship
- See website for more information and application guide
- <http://internetsociety.org/what-we-do/leadership-programmes>

# Engage with the Internet Society

*...and help ensure the continued development  
and evolution of the Internet!*

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