Regional Activities and Internet Governance

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Requests for More Local Presence

- Action points from 2013 Stakeholder Survey included:

    - More local engagement with members and meetings

    - More engagement with non-EU governments

    - Staff outside the Amsterdam office

    - Native Arabic-speaking staff

- This week, the RIPE NCC officially opens our office in Dubai!

RIPE NCC Team in Dubai

- Current focus on External Relations
  - Paul Rendek - Director of External Relations
  - Sandra Gijzen - Event Coordinator
  - Two new Arab External Relations Officers with regional background starting 1 May

- Dubai office will also host staff temporarily assigned from other departments
  - Building relationships with our members in the region

RIPE NCC External Relations

- External Relations (ER) section formed in 2010
  - Focused on RIPE NCC engagement with all external stakeholders
    - Members, community, government, regulators, law enforcement

- ER Mark II (2014)
  - Expanding to better serve stakeholders beyond Europe
  - Additional staff based in Dubai and Moscow
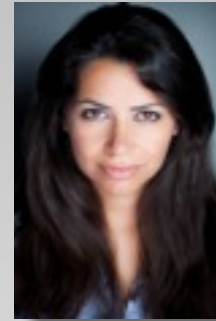 - Drawing on technical, communications and policy expertise

Dubai

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Hisham Ibrahim

Chafic Chaya

Amsterdam

Chris Buckridge

Marco Hogewoning

Moscow

Maxim Burtikov

Increased Regional Activities

- More contact with members and other stakeholders
  - Presence at regional and local industry events
  - Membership and stakeholder lunches throughout the region
  - Engaging directly with non-member regional stakeholders, including governments, regulators and law enforcement
  - Building on existing regional programs, like the MENOG IPv6 Roadshow and RIPE NCC training efforts…

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Training

- MENOG IPv6 Roadshow entirely revised

  - All material has been rewritten

  - New hands-on lab exercises

  - Working on trainer notes and instructions

  - Building our team of community trainers

  - Working with public sector partners throughout the region

- New two-day IPv6 technical training for RIPE NCC Members to be launched soon

Internet Governance

- Evolution of IANA function oversight
  - Multi-stakeholder process of developing model for going forward
  - US Gov't to oversight role to be removed
  - Proposes to replace NTIA role with a multi-stakeholder model - not led by gov't or inter-gov't org
  - Facilitated by ICANN, but not an ICANN process - all stakeholders need to have their say!
  - http://www.ntia.doc.gov/press-release/2014/ntia-announces-intent-transition-key-internet-domain-name-functions

- Role of governments and international organisations
  - Ongoing discussions in the International Telecommunications Union (ITU)
    - World Telecommunications Development Conference currently underway in Dubai
    - Plenipotentiary 2014 in Busan, South Korea, October
  - United Nations

RIPE NCC Goals

- Provide accurate, factual information

  - How the Internet operates

  - How bottom-up policy development works

  - Statistics on IP address registration, IPv6 adoption

- Defend the open, multi-stakeholder model of Internet governance

- Ensure that the RIPE (and technical) communities are effectively represented in all discussions

- Ensure that our community is well-informed of Internet governance developments

- RIPE NCC regards the IGF as primary venue for Internet governance discussions
  - A vital part of the multi-stakeholder Internet governance model
- Paul Rendek a member of the Multi-stakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)
- IGF 2014 takes place in Istanbul, Turkey
  - 1-5 September
  - Call for workshop proposals now open!

http://www.intgovforum.org/

- Regional and national discussions as important as global events
  - Consider specific local problems or concerns
  - Coordinate regional input to global discussions
- RIPE NCC supports and contributes to various regional forums and events
  - EuroDIG (Europe-focused event)
  - Arab IGF
  - Persian IGF
  - National IGF events across the RIPE NCC service region

- Third Arab IGF will take place in 2014

- Paul Rendek a member of the Arab IGF MAG

- Important opportunity to discuss regional concerns, including:

  - IPv6 adoption and capacity building

  - IPv4 trading developments

  - Security

- A means to channel regional concerns into global Internet governance debates

http://igfarab.org/

- Posted to ianatransition@icann.org list 27 March
  - Posted by Mohamed El Bashir, on behalf of the Arab IGF Community
  - Welcomes NTIA statement
  - Stresses the importance of broad multi-stakeholder engagement, incorporating contributions from regional Internet governance groups and forums

http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/ianatransition/2014-March/000066.html

Persian IGF

- Persian IGF planning first event this year

- Regional focus beyond Iran to Farsi-speaking community

- Members of the MAG will be announced shortly

- RIPE NCC working with organisers to support the initiative

http://www.persianigf.org/