Engaging with the Internet Society

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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

- 69,000+ individual members worldwide
- 130+ organisational members
- 90+ 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 – 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)²
  + many regional and national organisations:
    FICCI (MOU), AIC, ACCA (Member), APIA (NPO Member), ITAP, SCS, SITF
ISOC in Asia-Pacific

The Numbers

- **Individual Global Members**
  - 19,500+ (~28%)

- **Chapters**
  - 19 (~21%)
  - Including 2 in rejuvenation

- **Chapter Members**
  - 7,887 (~21%)

- **Organisation Members**
  - 22 (~15%)

Regional Office

- **Singapore**
  - Operational December 2011

- **Staff and Advisors**
  - Rajnesh Singh (Singapore)
  - Olivia Loy (Singapore)
  - Duangthip Chomprang (Bangkok)
  - Naveed Haq (Islamabad)
  - Regional Programmes Co-ordinator (Open)

*Data as of 18 February 2013*
# Chapters in Asia-Pacific

## South Asia
- Bangladesh Dhaka
- India Bangalore
- India Chennai
- India Delhi
- India Kolkata
- Nepal
- Sri Lanka

*In Rejuvenation*
- Pakistan Islamabad
- Pakistan Lahore

*Interest*
- Afghanistan
- Bhutan
- India Guwahati
- India Jammu
- India Mumbai
- India Pune

## Southeast Asia
- Cambodia
- Malaysia
- Philippines
- Singapore
- Thailand

*In Rejuvenation*
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*Interest*
- Indonesia Jakarta
- Indonesia Surabaya
- Viet Nam

## East Asia and Pacific
- Australia
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Pacific Islands
- Taiwan Taipei

*In Rejuvenation*
- Republic of Korea

*Interest*
- China
- Mongolia
- Papua New Guinea
- Vanuatu
Regional Projects and Initiatives

**Capacity Building**
- APRICOT
- SANOG
- APNG Camp
- MyNOG
- INET Workshops
- W4C
- Training

**Public Policy**
- APEC TEL
- APT
- World Economic Forum
- UN Agencies/APT
- National Forums

**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
- Phase I (2010): ToT, Pilot
- Phase II (2011): Training, Pilot Ext
- Phase III (2012): Content/Services
Regional activities in 2013

Singapore Regional Office
- Expanded team

ISOC Events
- Regional INET Q2 [Bangkok]
- Internet Symposiums/Seminars/Workshops
- Various Joint Events

Empowering women and minority communities
- Phase III of Wireless for Communities

Policy Engagement
- APEC TEL, APT, WEF
- WTDC-14, PP-14

Stakeholder Engagement
- Policy, Technical, Wider Community
- India and Southeast Asia programmes
Some recent global initiatives

OpenStand
- IAB, IEEE, IETF, ISOC, W3C
- Modern paradigm for global, open standards
- www.open-stand.org

Digital Identity
- 3 interactive tutorials:
  - Identity Overview; Protecting Your Privacy;
    Protecting Your Identity
- www.internetsociety.org/manage-your-identity

Global Internet User Survey
- 10,000+ people in 20 countries
- APAC: China, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Korea
- Surveyed attitude towards Internet and
  behaviour online
Deploy360

- Real-world deployment information (e.g. IPv6, DNSSEC, Routing)
- Bridge the gap between IETF standards process and final adoption of standards by global operations community
- Creates and promotes resources for early adopters e.g. case studies
- www.internetsociety.org/deploy360
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

Leadership Programmes
- eLearning
- IGF Ambassador
- IETF Fellowship
- See website for more information and application guide
- http://internetsociety.org/what-we-do/leadership-programmes
## Some upcoming regional events

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*Not organised by ISOC but local entities*
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...and help ensure the continued development and evolution of the Internet!
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