



Draft Programme

AU-Western Africa Regional Internet Exchange Point (RIXP) and Regional Internet Carrier (RIC) Workshop

16th to 20th June 2014

Abuja, Nigeria

DAY ONE – 16th June 2014

SESSION 1: OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY & REGIONAL INTERNET CARRIERS

Time	Programme Item	Responsible
08:00 – 09:00	Registration	Facilitated by EACO
09:00 – 10:10	Official Opening Ceremony	
10:10 – 10:30	Photo Session	
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:15	Introductions and Adoption of the Agenda	AUC
11:15 – 13:00	Regional Interconnection Strategy For Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African Internet Exchange System Project • Description of a Regional Internet Carrier • Regional Peering and Interconnection Economics • Regional Peering Strategies for Operators 	AUC and ISOC
13:00 – 14:00	Networking & Lunch Break	

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
14:00 – 14:30	EACO Activities on IXP	EACO
14:30 – 15:30	Policy and Regulation Best Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross border and Interconnection Policies 	ISOC
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30	Commercial Environment Best Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of Internet Carrier Business models • Developing a competitive market environment 	ISOC

DAY TWO – 17th June 2014

SESSION 2: REGIONAL INTERNET CARRIERS

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
09:00 – 10:30	Operational and Technical Best Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors that enhance Operational and Technical aspects of Regional Internet Carriers 	ISOC
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 13:00	Policy Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy framework for Regional Interconnection • Policy Framework Implementation Committee 	ISOC
13:00 – 14:00	Networking & Lunch Break	

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
14:00 – 15:30	Commercial, Operational and Technical Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies that enhance Internet carrier business • Minimum criteria for selecting ISPs that meet the definition of a Regional Internet Carrier to be considered for the mentorship and capacity building program 	ISOC
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	

16:00 – 17:30	Regional Internet Carriers Conclusions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt the proposed definition of a Regional Internet Carrier • Draft Minimum criteria for selecting the ISPs that meet the definition of a Regional Internet Carrier to be considered for the mentorship and capacity building program • Adopt the policy framework recommendations • Establish the policy framework committee 	ISOC
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DAY THREE –18th June 2014

SESSION 3: REGIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE POINTS

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
09:00 – 10:30	Introduction to Regional IXPs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of a Regional IXP • Case Study of large IXP 	ISOC
10:30 –11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 13:00	Policy and Regulation Best Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Peering Policy Considerations • IXP Policy Considerations 	ISOC
13:00 – 14:00	Networking & Lunch Break	

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
14:00 – 15:30	Commercial Environment Best Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IXP Regional Marketing Strategies • Regional IXP Business models 	ISOC
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30	Operational and Technical Best Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IXP Management and Governance in a Regional setting • IXP Automation and Operational efficiency 	ISOC

DAY FOUR – 19th June 2014

SESSION 4: REGIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE POINTS

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
09:00 – 10:30	Hosting Infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview and benefits of hosting Infrastructure • Data Center Economics 	ISOC
10:30 –11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 13:00	Content Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-government and Regional Interconnection • Strategies for Content Development 	ISOC
13:00 – 14:00	Networking & Lunch Break	

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
14:00 – 15:30	Introduction to Interconnection Measurements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Value and Benefits of interconnection measurements • Steps to establishing regional interconnection measurements 	ISOC
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30	Policy Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy to enable external networks and content providers to peer at Regional IXP • Consideration of additional policy recommendations from participants 	ISOC

DAY FIVE – 20th June 2014

SESSION 5: REGIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE POINTS

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
09:00 – 10:30	Commercial Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic partnerships, and approach for regional and national IXP marketing strategies • Regional IXP benchmarking exercise for 	ISOC

	capacity building	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of additional commercial recommendations from participants 	
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 13:00	Operational and Technical Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefits of establishing a Regional IXP loan Fund • Plan to implement regional interconnection measurement • Consideration of additional recommendations from participants 	ISOC
13:00 – 14:00	Networking & Lunch Break	

Time	Programme Item	Responsible Person/MS
14:00 – 15:30	Regional IXPs Conclusions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt the proposed definition of Regional IXPs • Adopt the policy recommendations that promote local hosting, peering and creation of local content to support growing the critical mass of an IXP • Agree on the kind of support that National IXPs in Western Africa require to grow into Regional IXPs • Draft Minimum criteria for selecting the National IXPs in Western Africa to be supported to grow into Regional IXPs • Adopt the regional interconnection measurement plan 	All
15:30 – 16:00	Way Forward on the Western Africa Regional Internet Exchange Points (RIXPs) and Regional Internet Carriers (RICs)	AUC
16:00 – 16:30	Tea/Coffee Break	
16:30 – 17:00	Closing Address	Ministry of Youth and ICT