INTERNET GOVERNANCE
a ccTLD perspective

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1. CENTR

2. ccTLD policy models and the local Internet community

3. Internet governance and good practice learning

4. CENTR @ IGF

CENTR is the world's largest association on Internet Domain Name Registries. CENTR has over 50 members, each of them responsible for the operation of the country code top level domain in their country. CENTR members account for over 80% of the country code domain registrations worldwide.

Information platform

Exchange of good practices

European focus

CENTR = Forum for (cc)TLD managers

Meetings and workshops

Mailing lists, surveys, library, website, news updates, statistics, ...

Membership:
48 Full members (ccTLDs)
10 Associate members (TLDs)
9 Observers

Internet Governance ?

How should the Internet be run and managed?

case study:

How to govern your local ccTLD?

Observation:

ccTLD landscape knows
a variety of policy models

How come?

Each ccTLD chooses its policy model
to best fit the needs
of the local Internet Community

Conclusion for Internet Governance?

One Size Doesn't Fit All !

What should Internet Governance on an International level learn from the ccTLD experience?

- Respect for each other's approach
- Importance of good practice sharing
- Learn from each other's experiences

General Principles for Internet Governance

Par 29 Tunis agenda:

The international management of the Internet should be multilateral, transparent and democratic, with the full involvement of governments, the private sector, civil society and international organizations

Multilateral - **Transparent** - **Democratic** - **Multi-stakeholder**

Internet Governance Forum

The Internet Governance Forum has proven to be a unique forum to learn and exchange ideas.

The IGF brings together different stakeholders to discuss Internet Governance in an open and non-threatening environment

IGF 2010 Vilnius, Lithuania

CENTR @ IGF?

Inform any audience about the *variety* of the TLD environment, about the *different models* of TLD management, about the *best practices* that are regularly shared among the members of our community.

Lost in non-ASCII translation?
Workshop at IGF 2009

⇒ The advantages of having non-ASCII top-level domains

⇒ Process for the introduction of IDNs at the top-level

⇒ Assess the impact on the non–ASCII community

⇒ Panel: government, ccTLD and civil society representatives

- What after Vilnius?

⇒ Tunis Agenda gave the IGF a mandate for 5 years

⇒ UN Secretary General to make a recommendation on the desirability of the continuation of the IGF

⇒ Consultation with IGF participants

⇒ Decision about a continuation of the IGF to be taken by the UN Member States

CENTR supports the continuation of the IGF

recommendations:

=> Maintain the IGF as a **non-negotiating, discussion forum** where to embrace internet related matters in a constructive and cooperative manner;

=> Strengthen the **educative, collaborative and informative** principles;

=> Enhance the **follow up** process after every yearly meeting so that the outcome of any dialogue is properly spread;

=> Better enable **remote participation** and to ensure that all the various stakeholders are properly represented and their voice heard;

=> Empower the **Secretariat** to present regular reports on the regional and national IGF initiatives and to share them via the official IGF site;

Thank you for your attention!

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