Number Resource Organisation

What is the NRO?

- Established by Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) among 4 RIRs
  - Signed 24 October 2003
  - Since joined by AfriNIC

- Lightweight Tool for…
  - Coordination between RIRs
  - Point of Contact for external parties
  - "Coalition of RIRs"

- NRO Incorporation
  - Being prepared

Functions (EC)

Function distribution in Executive Council:

Adiel Akplogan	Member
Raul Echeberria	Chairman
Axel Pawlik	Member
Ray Plzak	Secretary
Paul Wilson	Treasurer

Functions (AC)

NRO fulfilling the functions of ICANN Address
  Supporting Organisation

- Advice to ICANN Board regarding Numbering
  Resources
- Appoint two members to ICANN board
- Appoint member to ICANN Nominating
  Committee

NRO Activities

- Ongoing: ICANN contract drafting
  - Producing Contract Drafts for
    - ICANN contribution
    - IANA Service Levels
- WSIS (-> Internet Governance Forum)
  - Monitoring, coordinating, influencing
- Communications Coordination Group
- Engineering Coordination Group

- EC meeting minutes published on http://www.nro.net/meetings/index.html

WSIS History

- IG big issue concerning us
  - Others are Capacity Building, Financing, etc
- After Geneva Summit 2003: Working Group on Internet Governance
- 40 participants, multistakeholder
- WGIG report
  - Published July 2005
  - See www.wgig.org
  - Four IG models
  - Forum

WSIS Status pre-Tunis

- ## PrepComm Geneva
  - no consensus on Internet Governance
- ## 3 Main Positions
  - US: "The UN will never run the Internet", US will continue stewardship, recognising other states sovereign rights
  - Strong Regulatory Stance (Brazil, China, Cuba, Saudi Arabia, Iran...): More governmental control
  - EU Surprise: "New Model needed", in between other positions

WSIS Tunis

- ## Internet Community demonstrating Cooperation, Capacity Building etc pp
  - Under ISOC umbrella
  - RIPE NCC leading NRO effort
  - Seeking dialogue
- ## "Tunis Agenda", Paragraph 38

  38. *We call for the **reinforcement of specialised regional Internet resource management institutions** to guarantee the national interest and rights of countries in that particular region to manage their own Internet resources, while maintaining global coordination in this area.*

- ## Calling for UN DG to establish the "Internet Governance Forum"

Internet Governance Forum

- aka "WSIS, next Generation"
- Discussion Forum
  - Not decision making
- Open ended and multistakeholder
- Starting in Athens, Greece
- 24-26 October (tbc)
- Open consultation (Geneva, February)
  - Emerging consensus
    - 3 days, annually
    - "Program committee"
    - First topics likely multilingualism, spam

Questions, Comments?