Public Policy Advisory Committee (PPAC)

2nd Session Report
to
APNIC Member Meeting (AMM)

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APNIC 36, Xi'an China
30th August 2013

S	14:00 PM – 14:05 PM	**Registration and Seating of Participants**	**S**
E	14:05 PM – 14:10 PM	**Welcome / Introduction to the second meeting followed by a brief presentation on PPAC update** by Mr. Naveen Tandon, Chair, Working Group on PPAC	**E**
S	14:10 PM – 14:35 PM	**Discussion on PPAC Draft Charter and Approval for Incorporation**	**S**

S	14:35 PM – 14:55 PM	**Regional Updates from Community Members of the Respective Economies:**
		- **Internet Policy Update – India**
		  Brajesh Jain, President – Citycom Networks Private Limited
		- **Internet NZ Public Policy update**
		  Dean Pemberton, Technical Policy Advisor, Internet NZ
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	14:55 PM - 15:25 PM	**Individual presentations by participants on topics of interest:**
		- **Internet Governance – significance of multi-stakeholderism**
		  Rajnesh D. Singh, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific Regional Bureau, Internet Society (ISOC)
		- **Importance of Digital Literacy for Internet Penetration**
		  Amrita Choudhry, Director, Cyber Café Association of India (CCAOI)
		- **IPDR for NATTED Internet Traffic**
		  Brajesh Jain, President Citycom Networks Private Limited
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	15:25 PM – 15:30 PM	**Q&A Session / Taking stock and way forward**	
A	15:30 PM	**Vote of Thanks** by Mr. Shyam Nair, Co-Chair, Working Group on PPAC **Meeting Ends**	**A**

Quick Facts

- Session was held on 27th August 2013

- Duration 90 minutes

- Well attended with active participation.

- Around 55 participants attended the session.

- Includes both present in person and through remote hubs.

- Agenda covered discussion on draft Charter, Regional Updates and Expert Presentations.

About PPAC

A forum has been formed at APNIC to discuss public policy issues to foster sustainability, security, stability and development of the Internet, Facilitate exchange of information and best practices as well as strengthen and enhance the engagement of stakeholders in existing and/or future Internet policy developments.

PPAC is a multi-stakeholder forum which provides an opportunity for the broader regional community to meet, discuss and share ideas. It's a platform for dialogue and not binding decisions, using the conventions of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) framework.

Aims to represent vies of all stakeholders in the internet space including government, industry, civil society and technical/academic community have been involved - to help steer focused and enlightened dialogue on issues relating to the growth of internet in the region, policies to guide internet development, and share best practices - through an open consultative platform for engagement.

PPAC Update from 1st Session (APNIC 35, Singapore)

- PPAC session will be to be held at every APNIC Meeting, APNIC Conference and APRICOT for the coming 3 years.

- Emphasis to be on transforming Internet to Equinet.

-There is a need to have a outreach programme for a wider engagement of Government as a stakeholder in the deliberation of PPAC. The required level of protocol as applicable will need to be maintained.

- Decision on forming a small subcommittee who can help work on the draft rules for a structure, functioning, agenda, periodicity at PPAC. The sub-committee to comprise of the following members:
    - Dean Pemberton, Principal Consultant, Internet NZ
    - Laina Greene, Pt. Intl Bangun Sejahtera,Tbk.
    - Dr. Govind, CEO, NIXI
    - Amrita Choudhury, CCAOI, India
    - Prof Li-Shyang Chen

-Sub-Committee to submit its report to Chairs of working group before APNIC 36 for deliberations and finalization.

Summary of Discussions

PPAC Draft Charter

-Sub-Committee completed its work and the draft is currently before the community for comments.

The draft covers the following key aspects:

- Mission Statement:

To encourage exchange of information and dialog between APNIC and Internet / ICT Public Policy developers within the Asia-Pacific Region.

- Objective:

The PPAC will foster an increased level of sharing of information and perspectives between APNIC and Internet/ICT Public Policy stakeholders with a view to advancing APNIC objectives.

- Purpose

- Structure / Periodicity

- Agenda

-**Public Policy Principles** *(Open Internet, Competitiveness, Multi-stakeholderism, Policies to Align with Internet, Accessibility, Policies to match the pace of Technology, Protection of Internet)*

- Draft to remain before the community members for 2 weeks for additional comments before being submitted to EC for approval and incorporation.

Summary of Discussions

Regional Updates

-Updates from:

- **India Internet and Telecom Policy Update**

  - National Telecom Policy 2012

  - National IT Policy

  - National Electronics Policy

  - Foreign Direct Investment

  - Major initiatives for the growth of Broadband

  - Cloud and M2M Initiatives

- **Internet NZ Public Policy Update**

- Discussion on IP not ID. It's about the fallacy of using Internet addresses as personal identifiers and what implications that may have for public policy.

- Public Policy Implications :

  - il-legal file sharing

  - Harmful digital communications

  - Lawful interception

Summary of Discussions

Internet Governance – Significance of Multi-stakeholderism

- What is Internet Governance

- Genesis

- Issues surrounding the Internet

- Why does Multi-stakeholdersim matters

- Equal voice to all stakeholders is the key

Summary of Discussions

Presentation by Experts

Importance of Digital Literacy for Internet Penetration

- Importance

- Story so far

- Current Challenges for internet penetration

- Initiatives taken

Summary of Discussions

IPDR for NATTED Internet Traffic

- Need for Effective Security

- Blocking of unlawful content in collaboration with LEAs

- Significance of local hosting to help address the security requirements
  - Further help in providing easy access and transportation of content.
  - Economica
  - Improvised content

Taking Stock and Way Forward

-   PPAC session will continue to be held at next APNIC Meeting, APNIC Conference and APRICOT.

- Finalization of PPAC Charter for EC's approval and incorporation.

- Formation of Sub- Committee with representatives from each economy. To work with the stakeholders group within their economy for wider engagement.

- Emphasis to be on transforming Internet to Equinet.

- There is a need to have a outreach programme for a wider engagement of Government as a stakeholder in the deliberation of PPAC.   The required level of protocol as applicable will need to be maintained.

Useful Links

- **To join the PPAC working group**:

http://mailman.apnic.net/mailman/listinfo/ppac

-**To view collection of prior postings in the working group**:

http://mailman.apnic.net/mailing-lists/ppac/

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