

Hong Kong, site of April 2010 INET meeting

## Supporting Programmes

### Regional Bureaus

Expanding our geographic reach and ensuring technological, economic, and societal progress on the local level have long been key objectives for the Internet Society. In response, the Internet Society has set up Regional Bureaus—two of which began operation in 2010—to serve as focal points for our 85 international Chapters. The Regional Bureaus also help align all of our programmes and inform the broader technological and public policy issues we actively address.

### Africa Regional Bureau

The Africa Regional Bureau made considerable progress in 2010, particularly with regard to visibility and access to Internet Society resources for Chapters in the region. INET meetings were held in the region, one in Cape Town, South Africa, one in Tunis, Tunisia, and one in Beirut, Lebanon, the first to be held in the Middle East. With more than 200 participants, the Beirut INET set a new level of participation as well as record sponsorship (USD 12,500). The Bureau also organized the first African Chapters' workshop, in which 15 out of 17 active Chapters in Africa and the Middle East participated.

In 2010, the Bureau helped organize a meeting on open Internetworking, and trust and identity, in Kigali, Rwanda, where the Internet Society's work in public policy and Internet trust and identity issues was introduced to various segments of the African technical community. The Bureau's signing of a memorandum of understanding with the African Union's NEPAD Planning and Coordination Agency helped increase our visibility and reach throughout the continent.



Internet Society Tunisia Chapter president and Internet Society Board of Trustees member Khaled Koubaa

The Bureau was invited by the African Union to join the preparatory committee of the first-ever African Union summit on telecommunications and information and communications technologies. Held in January, the summit served as the venue for an Internet Society exhibition, which contributed to the increase in the Internet Society's visibility among heads of state from around Africa and other high-level decision-makers. In addition, the Bureau was also invited to sit on a task force on the .Africa top-level domain.

The Africa Regional Bureau launched the rejuvenation of the Internet Society Mauritius Chapter and the Internet Society Gambia Chapter. Both Chapters expect to be fully rejuvenated by early 2011.

The Bureau contributed a section on the growth of broadband and mobile phones in Africa for a text published by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung and Rhodes University's Sol Plaatje Institute.

### Asia Regional Bureau

The Internet Society Asia Regional Bureau enjoyed a successful year in many areas. INET Hong Kong drew more than 280 attendees, making it the largest INET in the region. The Bureau's manager, Rajnesh Singh, spoke at several high-profile events, including the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting of New Champions "summer Davos," which was held in China. He was also invited to speak at the .LK



Internet Society Asia Regional Bureau manager Rajnesh Singh (left) and Mazen AlHaddad of the Internet Society Bahrain Chapter

Photo/Charles Mok

20th anniversary event on the Internet Society's role in the development of the Internet. The event was the setting for the launch of the first global internationalized domain name (IDN) top-level domains—in Sinhala and Tamil—a milestone for Sri Lanka that puts it at the leading edge of IDN deployment.

During his visit, Mr. Singh met with senior government and private sector officials, including the Sri Lankan minister for science and technology.

The Regional Bureau manager was also invited to deliver the keynote at eNortheast 2010, held in Guwahati, Northeast India, a region that suffers from a lack of infrastructure. His presentation focused on how open internet networking can contribute to economic development. He also moderated a panel session on governance and public service delivery through effective deployment of ICT and Internet technology.

A regional Internet Society Chapters workshop, covering active Internet Society Chapters from East Asia, Southeast Asia, West Asia, and Oceania, preceded INET Hong Kong and was attended by representatives from Chapters in Australia, Bahrain, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Pacific Islands, Philippines, and Taiwan.



Participants at INET Tunis, October 2010

“There was a need for a pan-regional network operators group in Latin America so the Internet Society worked together with the Internet community in the region to make it happen. We look forward to advancing information sharing and the discussions of mutual opportunities and threats to the industry in the region.”

—Christian O’ Flaherty, Internet Society regional development manager for Latin America

## Europe Regional Bureau

Launched in 2010, the Internet Society Europe Regional Bureau was successful in engaging key policy makers and attracting media attention. Internet Society visibility in Europe was “beyond expectation” according to Regional Bureau director Frederic Donck, particularly on issues such as network neutrality, Internet security and stability, and the future of the technology. Messages and coverage appeared in venues such as the *Cinco Dias*, *Euractiv*, the *European Voice*, *Financial Times*, *IDG*, *IDG Spain*, *International Herald Tribune*, *Le Monde*, *Le Soir*, *MLEX*, *Network World*, *Techworld*, *Trends*, and *Webnews IT*.

In addition to organizing a highly successful European Chapter workshop in London in September, the Bureau represented the Internet Society at several high-level meetings in Europe, including the European Internet Forum, where the Bureau’s director served as a panellist along with key stakeholders, such as European Commission director general Fabio Colassanti, and members of the European Parliament (EP). In addition, Mr. Donck represented the Internet Society at the World Economic Forum in May, where he served as a panellist in a session on “Rethinking Smart Growth.”

In close coordination with the Internet Society European Chapters and Members, the Bureau worked on a number of events in 2010, including workshops of the European Commission on the future of the Internet, a national debate in France on network neutrality, and a Eurodig conference (the European Governance Forum) on key Internet-related issues. Finally, the Bureau made a contribution to the European debate on network neutrality and the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA), including participating in a number of sessions in the EP and with the European Commission.

## Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Bureau

The Internet Society Latin America and Caribbean Regional Bureau had a busy year in 2010, particularly with organizing two successful INET events and one Chapter workshop. The INETs, which were held in Montevideo, Uruguay, and San Juan, Puerto Rico, had combined participation of more than 300 attendees.

The Bureau also helped organize a joint workshop with the Comisión Interamericana de Telecomunicaciones (CITEL), which is part of the Organization of American States. The workshop had a significant impact on raising the Internet Society's profile in the region.

Two new Chapters were added to the region in 2010, one in Costa Rica and one in Uruguay. Efforts to rejuvenate the Chapter in Brazil were well under way by the end of the year.

## North America Regional Bureau

Launched in 2010, the Internet Society's North America Regional Bureau is the focal point for the organization's activities in the United States and Canada. In collaboration with our regional Chapters, Organization Members, and the broader Internet community, the Bureau is positioning the Internet Society as a leading and trusted voice on Internet issues in North America.

By year-end the Bureau had been instrumental in moving three Chapters into rejuvenation and aiding in the formation of the Internet Society New England Chapter. The Internet Society United States Greater Washington, D.C., Chapter was formally recognized by the Board of Trustees at its March 2010 meeting. The Bureau has worked closely with Chapter members and local organizations to help develop the Chapter into a flagship Chapter for the region.

During the year, Regional Bureau manager Sally Wentworth raised our profile with local media by conducting outreach to

several major Internet media outlets. In particular, the Bureau organized a highly successful media outreach effort following U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's speech on Internet freedom to highlight the importance of placing Internet freedoms on the global policy agenda.

Reflecting the Internet Society's key technical and policy role on Internet issues, the North America Regional Bureau was asked to be a founding member of the board of the Broadband Internet Technology Advisory Group (<http://bitag.org>). The Bureau also served on the organizing committee for the U.S. Internet Governance Forum, arranging a panel on critical Internet resources. Through these and other venues, the Internet Society is an important voice in support of private-sector leadership, a collaborative approach to technology development, and the free flow of information online.

The Bureau was asked by the U.S. State Department to participate in a digital videoconference on Internet freedom with Gambian students and members of the press as part of a public diplomacy program. Ms. Wentworth emphasized the importance of freedom of expression in the information society and the need for community engagement and participation in the Internet's development.

The North America Regional Bureau was especially active in the area of network neutrality, providing extensive inputs to policy processes throughout the year. Those activities included giving the opening address to the FCC's Workshop on Innovation and the Open Internet, a submission to the FCC's Open Internet Proceeding on the role of the IETF and network management, and a submission to the Canadian Consultation on the Digital Economy ([http://www.isoc.org/pubpolpillar/docs/digital-economy\\_20100725.pdf](http://www.isoc.org/pubpolpillar/docs/digital-economy_20100725.pdf)).



## INETS IN 2010

Regional INETs address the needs and interests of a particular region. Originally staged as an annual global conference, INET has evolved into regional meetings that reflect the unique character of a region.

In 2010, 10 INETs were held—a substantial increase over the number held in 2009—with a total of 1,600 attendees.

### INET Hong Kong

Wan Chai, Hong Kong, 13–14 April 2010

### INET Washington

Washington, D.C., United States, 29 April 2010

### INET San Francisco

San Francisco, United States, 7 May 2010

### INET Cape Town

Cape Town, South Africa, 24 May 2010

### INET Montevideo

Montevideo, Uruguay, 2 July 2010

### INET London

London, United Kingdom, 29 September 2010

### INET Beirut

Beirut, Lebanon, 14 October 2010

### INET Tunis

Tunis, Tunisia, 28 October 2010

### INET Singapore

Singapore, 18–19 November 2010

### INET Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico, 16 December 2010

<http://www.InternetSociety.org/inet>



*From left, the Internet Society's Nicolas Seidler and Constance Bommelaer with Internet Society OECD Technology Foresight Forum fellows Rafid Fatani and Vinayak Hegde at the OECD meeting in Paris, France, in September 2010*

## Public Policy and Strategic Global Engagement

The Internet Society's Public Policy and Strategic Global Engagement (SGE) teams work closely with the Internet technical and policy communities to forge relationships with high-level policymakers and decision makers and to advance our policy principles both globally and on the local level. In 2010, we reached an ever-widening audience of influential international policy organizations, government agencies, civil society organizations, and technical groups with a clear message in defense of openness and transparency in all Internet technical development and governance issues.

In order to be effective, the Internet Society adheres to principles that support the open development, evolution, and use of the Internet for the benefit of all people throughout the world. In accordance with our public policy mandate, in 2010 our public policy and SGE teams focused on four programme areas where we provide strong leadership:

- The user-centric Internet
- Internet governance
- Internet policy presence
- The intersection of policy and education

Our successes in these areas were widely felt throughout the world. We played a central role in establishing the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) Internet Technical Advisory Committee, known as ITAC, as a respected authority on privacy and data protection. On the same topics, we took active steps to foster dialogue between the Internet technical and policy communities on Internet privacy, coorganizing a successful workshop at the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) on "The Future of Privacy." The workshop and our representation of

ITAC at the OECD Privacy Conference made a significant contribution to raising our profile in this area to audiences beyond the Internet governance community. Additionally, we conducted a qualitative survey of members on privacy and data protection issues, which increased intermember communications and sharing of expertise and knowledge on privacy.

On the issue of network neutrality, the Internet Society crafted a policy framework that guided our policy engagement on the issue. Our input to consultations in Canada, the European Union, and the United States helped ensure that our core values of access, transparency, and competition are reflected in local priorities. Outreach and consultations with our Individual and Organization Memberships have played a critical role informing our work in this area. As a result of our activities, governments, industry, and civil society organizations now frequently turn to the Internet Society as a technical and policy resource on network neutrality.

In 2010, the African Union ministers of information and communications technology directed the African Union Commission to develop a common definition of open access as well as a set of guidelines on the subject in coordination with relevant stakeholders. The Internet Society was invited by the OECD Development Centre to help with this effort in collaboration with the World Bank, the International Telecom-

"The Internet Society firmly believes that in order to preserve the long-term health of the global, open Internet, we must remain true to the principles of the open, transparent, and inclusive Internet Model."

—Internet Society president and CEO Lynn St.Amour  
in her opening address to the Internet Governance Forum 2010

munications Union, the World Trade Organization, and the OECD. The final, 72-page document was published in August.

In partnership with our global Chapters and partners, we monitored and commented on ACTA, which was under negotiation in 2010. This work, combined with the activities of the Internet Society Copyright Working Group, helped established us as a key stakeholder in the area of Internet intellectual property and related issues.

Once again, the Internet Society had a significant presence at the IGF. In addition to the workshop on privacy mentioned earlier, the Internet Society coorganized a workshop with the Communications Regulatory Authority of the Republic of Lithuania (RRT), the European Commission, the government of the Netherlands, and Tama University on “Priorities for the Long-Term Stability of the Internet,” at which Raúl Echeberría, executive director of the Latin America and Caribbean Network Information Center and chair of the Internet Society Board of Trustees delivered comments.

Internet Society president and CEO Lynn St. Amour delivered a well-received speech at the opening session of the IGF in which she reinforced the Internet model of cooperation and collaboration as essential to the long-term growth of the Internet. The IGF also provided significant exposure for the Internet Society’s 15 IGF ambassadors, who participated as part of our Next Generation Leaders (NGL) programme (see page 26).

Earlier in the year, SGE senior manager Constance Bommelaer delivered remarks to the 13th session of the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD). In December, the Internet Society’s public policy and SGE teams participated in CSTD’s evaluation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society. That same month, SGE’s Bill Graham

“We all need to engage as big decisions are being made on the future of the Internet that will have a direct impact on our business and social lives. Complacency over vital issues such as network neutrality, security, privacy, and IPv6 is simply not an option.”

—Frederic Donck, Internet Society Europe Regional Bureau Director, in a statement at INET London

spoke at the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) consultations on enhanced cooperation on behalf of both the Internet Society and the IETF. In his speech, Mr. Graham described the IETF’s collaborative approach to Internet standards development as an ideal model for ensuring enhanced cooperation among a multitude of stakeholders in an information society.

Also in 2010, the Internet Society issued a formal response to the Canadian government’s consultation on the digital economy. Our submission focused on building a world-class infrastructure, emphasizing two key issues that we believe will shape the future of the Internet: promoting IPv6, which is an essential component for building a foundation on which innovation can grow, and keeping the user at the centre of broadband policy.

The Internet Society formally welcomed the implementation of the DNS security extensions (known as DNSSEC) at the highest level of the DNS, and we applauded the efforts by ICANN, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and VeriSign for making it possible. Leslie Daigle, the Internet Society’s chief information technology officer, publicly commented that the implementation “signals a new era for operational security of the Internet, and we look forward to new levels of user confidence in network activities using DNSSEC and the services built out from it.”

Finally, through the efforts of a key Internet Society partner, the Public Interest Registry, the entire .org top-level domain (TLD) recently became the first top-level generic domain

to implement DNSSEC. The Internet Society was the first organization in the .org TLD to deploy DNSSEC for its isoc.org and InternetSociety.org domains.

### Next Generation Leaders

Preparing a new generation to succeed as Internet technology, policy, and business leaders is a key objective for the Internet Society. In 2010, our two flagship leadership-training programmes—the **Internet Society Fellowship to the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)** and the **Ambassadorship to the Internet Governance Forum (IGF)**—were reorganized into a single initiative, called the **Next Generation Leaders (NGL) programme**. To create a unique blend of coursework and practical experience, an **eLearning** component was added, covering essential topics required for effective interactions and relationships within the Internet ecosystem as well as key concepts and emerging issues in Internet governance.

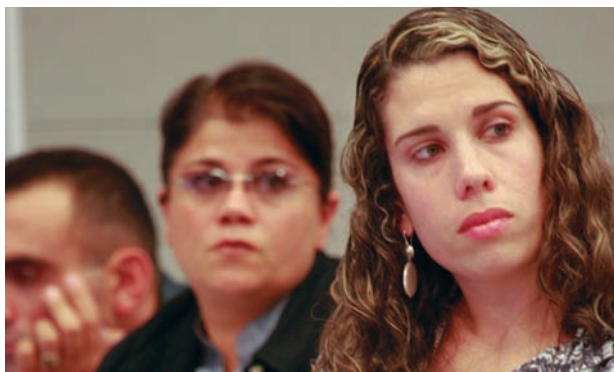
By year end, 23 emerging global leaders successfully completed the intensive eLearning online course, 16 engineering professionals attended their first IETF meeting as Internet Society fellows, and 10 individuals attended their first IGF meeting as ambassadors. (Both the Fellowship and Ambassadorship programmes have opportunities for returning fellows and ambassadors.)

Additionally, in 2010 the Internet Society began pilot testing a **Fellowship to the OECD Technology Foresight Forum**. The annual event, which is organized by the OECD Committee for Information, Computer, and Communications Policy, is intended to help identify opportunities for and challenges to the Internet economy that result from new technologies and new applications of technologies. The forums represent a collaborative effort of the policymakers

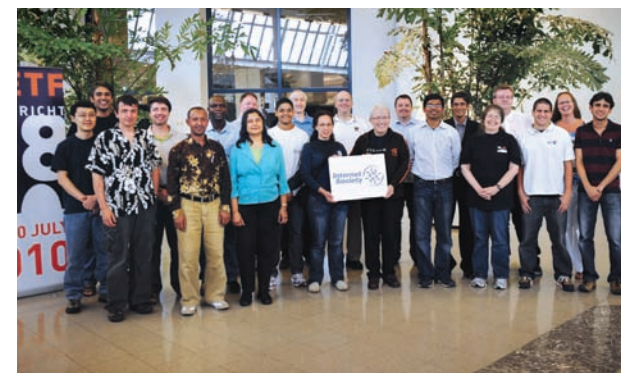
from OECD members and nonmember governments, business, civil society, and the Internet technical community.

The 2010 Foresight Forum was held in Paris, France, in September and focused on smart ICTs and green growth. As part of the pilot, the Internet Society invited two alumni from its other NGL components to participate.

Key support for the NGL programme comes from our Organization Members, including Afiliias, Google, Intel, and Microsoft, which contributed to the Fellowship to the IETF programme; AFNIC (.fr) for translation of 2010 eLearning course materials into French for the 2011 class implementation; the DiploFoundation for the implementation of the inaugural 2010 eLearning class; patronage of the European Commission for Information Society and Media; the Internet Society Israel Chapter, whose financial support enabled an Israeli citizen to participate in the Fellowship to the IETF programme; and Nominet Trust, for substantial financial support of the overall programme.



*Next Generation Leaders programme participants Siranush Vardanyan (center) from Armenia and Vanessa Cravo (right) from Brazil at IGF 2010*



*Internet Society Fellowship to the IETF fellows at IETF 78 in Maastricht, The Netherlands*

## Communications

In 2010, the Internet Society made significant progress in increasing its global visibility and position as a thought leader on important Internet issues, taking our message to key audiences.

In September, a public awareness campaign for attracting attention to how key technology and policy developments might impact the future of the Internet was launched in connection with the Internet Society's INET London meeting. The targeted campaign directed media and other individuals and groups to an [InternetSociety.org/scenarios](http://InternetSociety.org/scenarios) webpage, where visitors could view videos depicting a variety of different possibilities for what the Internet might look like in 10 years. We are proud to report that a total of nearly 10,000 YouTube views were logged, as well as hundreds of comments and votes that were registered by way of a Web-based polling system. The communications team simultaneously reached out to members of the local media, resulting in coverage of both the INET event and the scenarios materials.



In December, the Internet Society led a campaign aimed at highlighting and preserving a multistakeholder approach to Internet governance. The campaign included creating an online petition and promoting it through social media, which resulted in repeated messaging, including several hundred retweets via Twitter that reached tens of thousands of individuals.

During the year, Internet Society Regional Bureau directors participated in media tours in Asia, Europe, and North America, attracting additional attention from broadcast, print, and online media outlets and setting the stage for the Internet Society to be a go-to resource for journalists on Internet-related news stories. A total of 44 articles were logged in leading publications around the world, several appearing in such respected outlets as the *Economist* and the *Washington Post*.

The Internet Society gained considerable traction for some of its higher-profile technical agenda items, including IPv6 and the DNS security extensions (known as DNSSEC), as well as other key efforts, such as our Internet exchange point and Next Generation Leaders programmes. The increased visibility was the result of increasingly effective efforts across a wide variety of channels, including direct outreach to media, social media, and collateral materials, briefing papers, and reports that captured the expertise of Internet Society staff, Members, and community.

The Internet Society Community Grants Programme donates grants of up to USD 10,000 for a diverse cross section of projects that promote the open development, evolution, and use of the Internet for the benefit of all people throughout the world.



2010 Jonathan B. Postel Service awardee Jianping Wu (center) with Internet Society president Lynn St. Amour and IETF chair Russ Housley

## Awards and Grants

### Awards

Each year the Internet Society recognizes an individual or organization that has made outstanding contributions in service to the data communications community as part of our **Jonathan B. Postel Service Award**. In 2010, the award was given to Jianping Wu in recognition of the pioneering role he has played in advancing Internet technology, deployment, and education in China and the Asia-Pacific region over the past 20 years. Dr. Wu's best-known contribution is the China Education and Research Network (CERNET), which he designed to be the first Internet backbone network in China. CERNET began as an advanced network infrastructure that supported education and research among universities and has since become the world's largest national academic network. Dr. Wu received a USD 20,000 honorarium and a crystal engraved globe, which were presented at the 78th meeting of the IETF. The award is named for the late Jonathan B. Postel in recognition of his extraordinary stewardship of various Internet activities over the course of a 30-year career.

In 2010, the second annual **Itojun Service Award** was presented to Bjoern A. Zeeb for his contributions to signifi-

cant improvements in open source implementations of IPv6. Named to honour and commemorate the memory of Jun-ichiro "itojun" Hagino, who passed away in 2007, the award recognizes extraordinary dedication exercised by itojun over the course of IPv6 development. It is focused on pragmatic contributions to developing and deploying IPv6 in the spirit of serving the Internet. The recipient receives a presentation crystal, a USD 3,000 honorarium, and a travel grant. The presentation to Dr. Zeeb was made at the 79th meeting of the IETF.

### Grants

The Internet Society **Community Grants Programme** funds community-based projects around the world that, among many goals, promote Internet access and education in underserved communities; that track and highlight the deployment of IPv6, the next-generation protocol that will be key to the Internet's continued growth; and that address such issues as Internet identity and security. Awarded projects may receive up to USD 10,000 for efforts that promote the open development, evolution, and use of the Internet for the benefit of all people throughout the world.

## Internet Society Community Grants Programme 2010

Chapter/Organizer	Project	Amount Funded
Anupam Agrawal, ISOC India Kolkata Chapter	<b>Train the Trainer: A Safer Internet Experience</b> Computer-based tutorial and CDs in English and Bengali that will provide information about ensuring a safe Internet experience and online safety of children to parents, teachers, and students.	USD 7,240
Steven Kaliba, Global Member	<b>Internet Technology for Students of St. Paul's Girls School</b> An Internet resource centre for a girls' school in the Mbarara District of Uganda that will support students and teachers.	USD 8,263
Khaled Koubaa, ISOC Tunisia Chapter	<b>Tunisia NGO 2.0 Project</b> Web 2.0 training of NGOs from 10 less-developed governorates in Tunisia by Chapter members.	USD 9,125
Osama Manzar, Global Member	<b>Digital Panchayat</b> Basic Internet and ICT training to 20 Panchayat organizations (the grassroots-level representative platform that supports the democratic process in rural India), with a focus on building local capacity, and technical leadership in the field of e-governance.	USD 10,000
Alice Munyua, Global Member	<b>Women &amp; Cybercrime in Kenya: The Dark Side of ICTs</b> An advocacy project aimed at promoting cybersecurity legislation and a regulatory framework that ensures a safe space for women to exercise their right to communicate without fear.	USD 9,800
Holly Raiche, ISOC Australia Chapter	<b>FTTP and Internet Users</b> An analysis of Australia's fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) implementation and an examination of the implementation and policy frameworks of other countries where FTTP is being introduced and implemented.	USD 9,448
David Rowe, Global Member	<b>Dili Village Telco</b> A 100-node "Village Telco" mesh network in Dili, Timor Leste in collaboration with Fongtil (a Timorese NGO). The project will simultaneously provide a low-cost local telephony service and a metropolitan IP backbone.	USD 10,000
Harlan Stenn, Global Member	<b>Network Time Protocol (NTP) Project Forum Effort</b> Providing assistance to the NTP Project and its related Forum in their efforts to improve and maintain development and support of one of the oldest and longest-running protocols on the Internet.	USD 10,000
David Tabatadze, Global Member	<b>Internet Security Awareness Program in Georgia</b> Creation of a dedicated, Georgian-language Web portal with information that will help users reduce the risk of becoming victims of cybercrime.	USD 9,969
Carlos Vera, ISOC Ecuador Chapter	<b>Formando Lideres Locales en Sectores Socialmente Excluidos (Forming Local Leaders in Socially Excluded Sectors)</b> A programme aimed at identifying and nurturing local leaders in socially excluded sectors of Ecuador and encouraging them to participate in Internet-related programmes, forums, and international events.	USD 10,000

Chapter/Organizer	Project	Amount Funded
Gunela Astbrink, ISOC Australia Chapter	<p><b>Disability Training for Chapters</b></p> <p>A training tool to be used by Internet Society Chapters to inform their Memberships and the broader Internet community of the social benefit of assisting people with disabilities to use the Internet, particularly with regard to organizing events, seminars, conferences, or training sessions.</p>	USD 8,900
Marcin Cieślak, ISOC Poland Chapter	<p><b>Working Out Strategies for Internet Regulation in Poland</b></p> <p>A campaign meant to facilitate the creation of a regulatory framework in Poland that would guarantee technological neutrality and respect for fundamental rights within the scope of the Internet.</p>	USD 10,000
Gérard Dantec, ISOC France Chapter	<p><b>Model « i-sustainable »</b></p> <p>Creation of a set of Internet-based tools and a repository aimed at helping digital-sector businesses comply with each of the pillars of sustainability, including ecological, economic, and societal.</p>	USD 10,000
Jean Robert Hountomey, ISOC Togo Chapter	<p><b>Information Security and Assurance Training Center (ISATC):</b></p> <p>An Advanced Technological Education Centre for Cyber Security and Information Assurance that will train much-needed cybersecurity technicians through partnerships with experts in the field.</p>	USD 8,014
Vahan Hovsepian, ISOC Armenia Chapter	<p><b>Starting up the Armenian Internet Exchange</b></p> <p>An Armenian Internet Exchange (ARMIX) for the purpose of improving Internet connectivity both within and outside the country, and ensuring an autonomous Armenian segment of Internet that can function even in cases of disruptions among external paths.</p>	USD 10,000
Asumpta Kobusingye, Global Member	<p><b>Enabling the People of Ibanda to Access the Internet: Setting up an Internet Centre</b></p> <p>The development of an Internet Centre in the Ibanda Sub-county in Uganda.</p>	USD 9,882
Niranjan Meegammana, Global Member	<p><b>Internet School for Farmers</b></p> <p>E-learning courses aimed at educating rural farmers in Sri Lanka, in their local languages, about sustainable agriculture, soil erosion, water pollution, livestock, and composting, among other topics utilizing a network of 600 rural telecentres set up by the government.</p>	USD 10,000
Sascha Meinrath, Global Member	<p><b>Broadband Bridge</b></p> <p>Ensuring Internet service for everyone living in the Bloomingdale and Eckington neighbourhoods of Washington, D.C., USA, by educating policymakers with broad power to shape the Internet on both national and global levels and by providing low-cost equipment and Internet access.</p>	USD 9,945
Marwan Radwan, Global Member	<p><b>Establishing the Palestinian Sugarlab</b></p> <p>An effort to narrow the gaps in One Laptop per Child (OLPC) adoption and e-learning content in Arabic language to facilitate effective integration of OLPC equipment and more sustainable ICT usage in the Palestinian educational system.</p>	USD 10,000
Dessalegn Yehuala, Global Member	<p><b>Understanding the Factors that Force Down Ethiopia's Digital Economy Rankings and their Implications in ICT Policy and Strategy</b></p> <p>A pilot study aimed at exposing the obstacles to widespread adoption and use of ICT in Ethiopia.</p>	USD 9,431