About Bahrain Internet Society

Non-profit organization established in order to help, support and empower the Internet and ICT community in Bahrain, it strives to serve the community of Bahrain by spreading awareness on the benefits of Internet and ICT. BIS also strives to engage in ICT Development toward eBahrain.

The society started in 1999 as the “Internet Club”, and in 2003 it has been officially established as “Bahrain Internet Society”, BIS started many initiatives and project in the country.
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Mission: To promote, spread awareness, and develop the use of the internet for the benefit of the community in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Vision: Promoting the Kingdom of Bahrain to become a leading regional and international center for the use and the development of the Internet, eContent, and Information & Communications Technology.
Objectives

1. To provide substantiated and authenticated information about the Internet in The Kingdom of Bahrain.
2. To provide technical services and consulting to all categories of society from individuals to organizations in the field of Internet.
3. To enfold all Internet users, including beginners and those with experience.
4. To organize events and work activities and participation in national projects that discuss issues and challenges related to using the Internet in technical, commercial, social and other fields.
5. To contribute to the localization and dissemination of Arab culture in the field of Internet and Information Technology.
6. To contribute to raising the level of information networks through effective cooperation with the providers of the service and the relevant authorities.
7. To ensure the provision of information and services, far from all harm to the customs and traditions and the security of the Kingdom of Bahrain.
Chapter and Partners

Chapter

Internet Society 20 YEARS

Member

ICANN AT-LARGE

Partners

WSA WORLD SUMMIT AWARD e-CONTENT + CREATIVITY

WSA WORLD SUMMIT AWARD MOBILE CONTENT

WSA WORLD SUMMIT AWARD SUMMIT YOUTH AWARD
BIS Projects
eCitizen (Qudarat)

Free training courses for citizens of all governorates of the Kingdom in order to computer literacy among citizens. Training: computer skills and programs "Microsoft Office" and how to use Internet and e-mail, in addition to the use of e-government portal

Citizen Benefited: 800 Citizen

Partners:
• Microsoft
• eGovernment Authority
• Gulf Future Business
Future IT Leaders

Targeting excelled university students, and provides them with recognized professional certifications that include:

- Microsoft Solution Developer
- Soft skills
- ITIL, Project Management and Quality Management

In addition provides a practical experience (on job induction with Microsoft and on job training with Microsoft Partner)

This project increases the employment opportunities for graduates.

Citizen Benefited: 15 University Students

Project Partners:

- Microsoft
- Mumtalakat
- University of Bahrain
- Gulf Future Business
Zain eShabab

A competition for the youth of Bahrain to encourage creativity in the fields of ICT and eContent, where the youth employ the technology and eContent to develop projects that benefit the society, the youth are mentored by experts in the field to ensure the success of their projects.

Citizen benefited: 80 youth annually

Partners:
• Zain
• General Organization for Youth and Sport
• Gulf Future Business
• Microsoft

Website: http://eshabab.org

Video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0GstULheWWc&feature=related
Summer e-Camp

e-Camp program is a collective initiative to support and train orphan students registered at the Royal Charity Organization in 5 week. Microsoft shall offer training program free of charge in 30 hour training.

Benefited: 147 Orphans

Project Partners:

• Royal Charity Organization
• Bahrain eGovernment Authority
• Microsoft
• Gulf Future Business
Women in Technology

“Free online courses to Bahraini women”

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Women in Technology

The objective of this program is to empower women in the field of information technology in order to find a broad and strong women who enjoy the skills in the field of information technology and career development.

**In-Class Learning:** 500 Women

**eLearning:** 5500 courses

**Partners:**
- Tamkeen
- Bahrain Women’s Union
Career Connection

The objective of this program is to train unemployed citizen on basic IT skill to make them more competitive to enter the job market.

Citizen Benefited: 600+

Partners:

• Microsoft
Initiatives and Conferences
Bahrain eContent Award

The concept of Bahrain eContent Award inspired by the World Summit Award (WSA) which showcases best eContent projects. The Award is distinctively featured as a national event which contributes to introduce and promote Bahrain eProducts locally and globally, the award has been launched 2005 and organized bi-annually.

www.bea.bh
Bahrain Internet Society is an Executive Committee Member and Chairman of the Technical Committee of the event the largest in the field of information technology and telecommunications in Bahrain
Developing the Arabic Digital Content (with United Nations - ESCWA)
Gulf Internet Week

Is organized annually for the fourth consecutive year coinciding with the Global Internet Day that is announced by the Internet Society (ISOC), the Gulf Internet Week highlights the most important ICT issues facing the Gulf societies at the moment.

The event includes field visits to schools, institutes, majlises, governorates and youth and sport innovation centres.

Website: http://www.gulfinternetweek.com

Partners:

• Ministry of Industry and Commerce
• Kuwaiti Internet Association
• Bahrain ICT Suppliers Trade Association
Special Interest Groups

Bahrain IT Team
Looking after the interest of university students Towards achieving bright Career in ICT

BISTA
Bahrain ICT Suppliers Trade Association is a body responsible of carrying the vision of making Bahrain a recognized information and communication technology (ICT) hub in the Middle East region.
Engagements

• Bahrain Chapter of the Internet Society  
  http://www.internetsociety.org/

• Member of ICANN At-Large  
  http://www.atlarge.icann.org/

• Board Member of World Summit Youth Award  
  http://www.youthaward.org/

• Member of the Eminent Expert Grand Jury of the World Summit Award  
  http://www.wsis-award.org/

• Partner of the Arab eContent Award  
  http://www.bea.bh/

• Member of the Consumer Advisory Group by the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority
Monthly Events

Beside to the projects, initiatives and conferences, BIS organizes a monthly events for its members, those events highlight and discuss the development of the ICT field nationally, regionally and globally.
Monthly Events – Reception Event
Monthly Events – eContent Workshop
Monthly Events – Ramadan Ghabga
Monthly Events - Consumer Rights in the Telecom Sector
Monthly Events – ICANN Event
Monthly Events – Social Network Security & Anonymous Attacks
Monthly Events – The Cultural Impacts of the Social Media
BIS in the Media