

# Internet Society Chapters Advisory Council Update Report

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# Rules and procedures

- Nearly complete – pending Chapter AC approval at upcoming ChAC meeting
  - Had full Chapters AC review
  - Received comments & made some changes based on comments
  - Will send out for last review before Chapters AC meeting
- Covers
  - Election, replacement and removal of
    - Steering committee members
    - Officers
  - Annual Meeting
  - Decision making process
  - Developing Advice and Recommendations

# Figuring out council's objectives

- From charter
  - to channel and facilitate advice and recommendations to and from the President and Board of Trustees of the Internet Society in a bottom up manner, on any matters of concern or interest to the Chapters AC and ISOC Chapters.
  - stimulate and facilitate enhanced communications and collaboration between Chapters, Trustees, ISOC staff, and other members of the ISOC community.
  - serve as the consultative body to the President and Trustees, in the case of disputes or status changes related to Chapters.
- Have initiated a survey of the chapters to determine priorities within the chartered duties

# Chapter Priority Survey

- 2 set of questions
  - Policy Issues
  - Chapter issues
- [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ChaptersAC\\_Priorities](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ChaptersAC_Priorities)
- Initiated 31 march 2016
- To be discussed at Chapters AC meeting
- Followed by planning for action

# Survey of Policy Issues

- Increasing/restoring Internet user trust
- Protecting Human Rights on the Internet
- Network Neutrality
- Surveillance/Data Privacy
- Increasing access in developing countries
- Conduct comparative analysis of Internet user needs in different countries

# Survey of Chapter Issues (1/2)

- Propose best practices to mobilize members
- Propose best practices to make Chapters better known nationally and more trusted as sources of policy advice
- Propose best practices to engage with new stakeholders and expand outreach
- Propose best practices for Chapters with regard to openness and respect for ISOC values
- Propose best practices to enhance the bottom-up participation of the Chapters

# Survey of Chapter Issues (2/2)

- Prepare a proposal to fund Chapters to construct local data centers and promote the increase of local traffic
- Prepare a proposal to fund Chapters to develop local useful content to make the Internet handy for grassroots population
- Prepare a proposal to fund Chapters to research local use of Internet and local Internet user issues
- Create a series of Policy seminars program: give more understanding and encourage involvement

# Chapters Advisory Council Meetings

- Chapters Advisory Council meeting
  - 3 to be held each year per charter
  - Next: 17 May 2016 13:00 UTC (tentative)
- Possible Chapter Advisory Council participation in other Internet policy related meetings, e.g.
  - Regional chapter meetings
  - Regional and national IGF meetings where chapters are likely to be involved



# Other Issues under discussion

- Support for chapters and Internet Society regional bureaus by the AC
  - methods for sharing
- Relationship between Board, Chapters AC and chapters
  - How do we work together and support each other's priorities
- Chapter support for Internet Society issues by the chapters
- Internet society support for Chapter issues

Thank you