

# Kilima: Highlights from ISOC Africa

June 2018



## Activities

### **The Internet Society and the African Union Commission (AUC) held a CN workshop in Addis Ababa**

The Community Networks workshop, which was held from 19-20 June 2018, brought together global and successful African Community Networks (CNs), to share their experiences in demonstrating the great possibility of building sustainable CNs across the African continent. The Workshop was also attended by representatives of the AUC, Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and the Association of Progressive Communications (APC).

### **Building partnership with the AUC**

On 21 June 2018 Raul Echeberria, Vice President of Global Engagement and Dawit Bekele, African Regional Bureau Director met with officials of the AUC to further discuss on collaborations in the promotion of sustainable CNs and Privacy issues.

### **The Internet Society and the Addis Ababa University (AAU) Computer Science Department inaugurated IoT lab**

On 20 June 2018 Raul Echeberria and the Dean of the AAU Science Faculty officially inaugurated an IoT lab supported by the Internet Society. This is a great step forward in contributing to the efforts of making the increasingly-connected world a safer place.

### **Capacity Building: Online Training and NOGs**

- Started the monthly schedule for the Introduction to Network Operations training with close to 1,000 engineers taking the course in English and French from 2 June to 9 July 2018.

- Sudan NOG took on close to 25 engineers for an online training using ISOC's materials.
- Registration for the next cycle of online training on the Introduction to Network Operations Course was run from 17 to 26 June 2018. The next cycle is scheduled to start training on 2 July 2018.

### **IETF Africa Initiative**

A survey was sent out to Chapters and other mailing lists to identify those interested in organizing viewing hubs for IETF 102 set for 15 to 20 July 2018. Here is the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZPDXPFK>

### **Building and strengthening our Community**

**3 Regional webinars held with African Chapters and members to provide a deep understanding of the Internet Society Campaigns:**

- Securing the Internet of Things (IoT)
- Innovating to connect the world (CN)
- Strengthening the global routing system (MANRS)

**The Internet Society welcomed the Madagascar Chapter:** The Internet Society Madagascar Chapter was officially chartered as the 35<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Internet Society in Africa. Dawit Bekele attended the 2-day event that marked the official launch of the Chapter and talked about the IoT and CN campaigns as well as the Future of the Internet project.

**2018 African Chapters Advocacy Meeting held in Addis Ababa:** The 2018 African Chapters Advocacy meeting took place on 21 June 2018, gathering 27 fellows from 24 chapters and 1 Special Interest Group (CNs SIG). The meeting was a combination of capacity building, engagement, advocacy and mobilization to advance CNs in Africa and achieve focused positive impact through the Internet Society's 2018 campaigns. It was also an occasion for the Chapters to engage with the AUC.

## Events



Africa DNS Forum: 4-6 July 2018, Benin

Peering Roadshow and Technical training: 23- 27 July 2018, Zanzibar

## In the News



The Beyond the Net COWSHED project showcased in the Senegalese Press

TunapandaNET Paves the Way for Kenya to Connect the Underserved