

Kilima: Highlights from ISOC Africa

September 2018



Activities

Innovating to Connect the Unconnected: Community Networks (CN)

3rd CN Summit

The 3rd CN Summit was held from 2-7 September 2018 in Lubanzi, Eastern Cape, South Africa. Attended by 100 participants, the event was held in the area served by the Zenzeleni Community Network and offered an opportunity to learn from their experience. More at: <https://www.internetsociety.org/blog/2018/09/third-summit-on-community-networks-in-africa/>

Open Cellular Event

Open Cellular (OC) event was held from 11-12 September 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya, where the African Regional Bureau (ARB) presented on Understanding Community Networks in Africa. The OC event provided exposure to African CN's on Open Source Cellular hardware and software solutions including the Facebook Open Cellular project. Over 100 participants from various countries in Africa and beyond attended the event.

Securing the global routing System: MANRS

MANRS member and Ambassador SEACOM presented the MANRS campaign at the 4th SAFNOG event held from 24-29 September, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The event was a merger of TzNOG, EANOOG and SAFNOG into one event. More information about SAFNOG is available here: <http://www.safnog.org>

Promoting and Building IXPs

The ARB participated and supported the 1st Morocco National Interconnection Forum (FNIM) and IXP routing training event from 17 - 21 September 2018. The FNIM event brought together over 40 local stakeholders in an effort to establish the 1st IXP in Morocco. The FNIM event received international attendance from the African

Union, Internet Society, Rwanda IXP (RINEX) and PCH. The technical training received 10 participants from operators, academia and ISOC Morocco Chapter. The event was organized in partnership with Facebook.

Building and strengthening our Community

Chapters' Updates

- 18 African Chapters are participating in the 2018 Internet Society Chapterthon on IoT Security. More at: <https://www.internetsociety.org/beyond-the-net/chapterthon/2018/projects/>
- 4 African Chapters' projects selected to receive up to USD 30K from the Internet Society Beyond the Net Funding program. A big congratulations to Botswana, Guinea, Morocco and Nigeria chapters. More at: <https://www.internetsociety.org/blog/2018/09/from-idea-to-action-beyond-the-net-selects-15-amazing-chapter-projects/>
- 5 individual calls organized between the ARB Director and the leaders of Benin, Chad, Namibia, Nigeria and Tunisia Chapters to build relationships, brief on campaigns and discuss how to better work together as partners.
- The Official Launch event of ISOC Botswana Chapter took place on 23 September 2018.
- The Forum on Internet Freedom in Africa 2018 (FIFAfrica18) took place from 27-28 September 2018 in Accra, Ghana. The Internet Society supported the event and was represented by the Internet Society Uganda and Ghana Chapters.
- Multistakeholder Symposium on Digital Rights and Elections in Cameroon took place from 12-13 September 2018. More at: <https://internetwithoutborders.org/cameroon-dangerous-speech-online-fake-news-and-digital-rights-symposium/>. The Internet Society supported the event and was represented by the Cameroon Chapter.



Upcoming Events

10-11 October 2018, Zanzibar: Internet Society's training workshop on Tools for Effective Participation and Management of Multistakeholder Discussions

11-16 October 2018, Zanzibar: African School of Internet Governance organized by APC and supported by the Internet Society

16-18 October 2018, Ethiopia: First African Forum on Cyber Crime

29 October 2018, Nigeria: The Nigeria Peering Forum alongside the NgNOG event (29 October - 3 November 2018)



In the News

[Internet Society Partners with Facebook to Expand Internet Connectivity in Africa Community Networks Key to Connecting Africa, says Internet Society](#)

