

OMAC Roundtable #6

Meeting Summary

February 8, 2022



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Topic of OMAC Roundtable #6

The 6th OMAC roundtable provided an overview of the Internet Society's 2022 Action Plan, while giving an opportunity for organization members to learn and discuss key actions for the year ahead. The session also identified opportunities for collaboration between organization members and the Internet Society.

Discussion Points

- **Impact Briefs**
 - Internet Impact briefs such as the NIS2 brief can be valuable for members to gain a better understanding of the impact of policy decisions on the ecosystem. Organization members who would like to get involved with these briefs, can contact the organization membership team at orgmembership@isoc.org.



- **Digital Sovereignty**
 - Digital sovereignty can be defined and used differently in various parts of the world. We will invite Internet Society's project team to discuss its planned work in more detail during our next roundtable in March.
- **The Internet Society Pulse Platform**
 - The Pulse Platform is a curated place to find data about the health of the Internet with a focus on Internet Shutdowns, Internet Resiliency and uptake of Emerging Technologies. Organization members who are interested to find out more, can contact us.
- **Growing Internet Exchange Points (IXPs)**
 - In 2022 some organization members will be launching IXPs, especially in Africa. Are there any collaboration opportunities to work between members and the Internet Society to grow more IXPs?

Key Take Away

- **Building strong communities** is a way to bridge the digital divide and improve Internet security. Organization members are invited to get involved with the Internet Society's work around Community Networks and IXPs development as well as our projects on Encryption, MANRS and NDSS.
- **Measuring Internet resiliency** is important. However, the current data available on Pulse is mostly on Africa and not the US for instance. However, this can be changed, and the focus could be expanded to other regions in the future. If your organization wants to get more information about the Internet Society Pulse platform, please reach out to us.

Next Steps

- Having seen this overview of the Action Plan 2022, what projects do you see having immediate linkage with your line of work?
- Further discussions between organization members on the future of the Internet to be held in future roundtables and relayed to the Internet Society.

Useful Resources

Internet Society Action Plan 2022, full document: <https://www.internetsociety.org/action-plan/2022/>

Internet Society Action Plan 2022, presentation by Joseph Lorenzo Hall (hall@isoc.org) and Michuki Mwangi (mwangi@isoc.org) at the OMAC roundtable:

<https://www.internetsociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/OMAC-roundtable-6-grow-strong-03Feb2022.pdf>



NIS2 Brief: <https://www.internetsociety.org/resources/doc/2021/internet-impact-brief-nis2/>

Internet Society Pulse Platform: <https://pulse.internetsociety.org/technologies>

Infrastructure and Community Development:

<https://www.internetsociety.org/issues/infrastructure-and-community-development/>

