ChAC-SC: work and topics

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ChAC-SC: 4 main tracks

- 1. ITU/UN discussions: to build a framework to engage chapters through ChAC
- 2. Interpretation within working committees: how to engage a broader community?
- 3. Digital Sovereignty: enable chapters to liaise with local and regional governments
- 4. Chapter Survey: focus on WHAT to do rather than HOW to do (funding...)



ITU-T / UN

Framework to engage chapters through ChAC

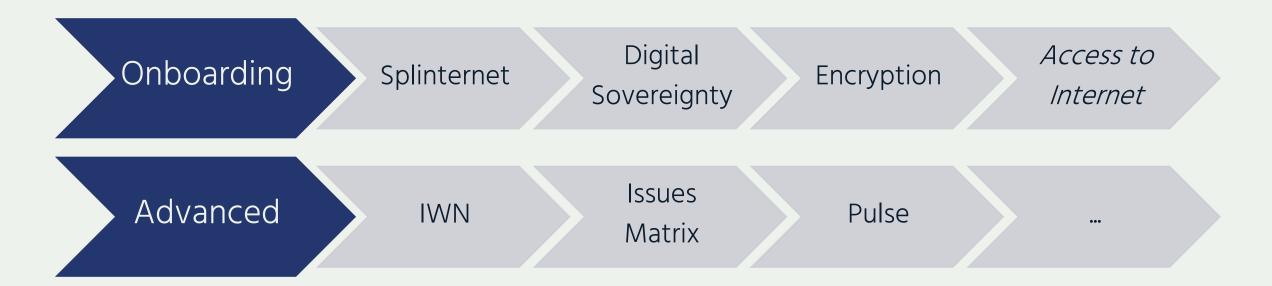


ITU/UN discussions framework: status

- Collaboration between ISOC staff, ChAC-SC, OMAC and some Chapter Leaders
- Very good work produced, including:
 - ITU WTSA-2020 Issues Matrix (05 April 2022)
 - World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC) 2022 Issues Matrix
- Action plan:
 - 1. Increase national governments' understanding of the Internet Society priorities
 - 2. Increase governments supportive of the open globally connected Internet
 - 3. Information sharing with OMAC and Chapters
- How to involve more governments & chapters?
 Hard to get on board: complex matters, many topics, how to approach governments...?



ITU/UN discussions framework: current proposal



- Help chapters to onboard with a "top 3" to approach local governments
- Alternative onboarding: access to Internet for areas with poor Internet coverage
- Define dashboard & KPI, as coverage per country, chapter participation, status (gov. understanding or supportive)
- Support model TBD: setup working committee(s), financial support



Interpretation within working committees

How to engage a broader community?



Initial request from ISOC-PR Board of Directors to ChAC-SC

Serve this to notify that in a meeting held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., the [ISOC Puerto Rico] Board of Directors approved to request the ChAC Steering Committee the initiation of a recommendation to advice ISOC to provide live interpretation in different languages both written and spoken in their working committees. This way, we can be more inclusive and transparent in the processes. Currently, the primary working language is English. For example, there are many Chapters whose language is Spanish, and their representation is limited in these committees.

We ask engineer Eduardo Díaz, empowered by this Board of Directors, to submit to the ChAC Steering Committee the necessary recommendation and proposal as requested on behalf of the Puerto Rico Chapter. The advice is for the benefit of the best interests that support the vision of an Internet for all.



Live interpretation : ChAC work done

- Start from WHAT (objective?) and not HOW (to provide live interpretation)
- Understand what "working committees" are : any committee created by ISOC and asking participation to volunteers. Examples: SIG's, but can be about Digital Sovereignty or any other topic.
- Objective = to engage a broader community, not only English-speaking people.
- Status: note in preparation, to be translated and sent to chapters for feedback.



Life interpretation: summary draft note (survey) in preparation

- Objective = to *engage* non-English-speaking communities
- Which committees? Everything (part of DNA?) or priority ones (which ones?)
- Options:
 - Best = live interpretation during working committees when possible
 - Minima = live transcription +translation with automated tools (quality is improving)
 - Must-do = translation of supporting documents, including invitations to committees
- Support to chapters (tools, funding)?
- Work on easier terminology to address more people from global community
- Which languages? English, Mandarin, Hindi, Spanish, French, Russian, Portuguese



Digital Sovereignty



Digital Sovereignty

- Just started! But a big next priority
- Objective: enable chapters to liaise with local and regional governments
- Proposed as one of the "top 3" topics for ITU/UN discussions



Chapter Survey 2022

WHAT are chapters' priorities?



- Survey to get priorities from chapters about :
 - Priorities for the chapters
 - Other key topic chapters wants to be addressed but in ISOC action plan?
 - Workshops/webinars/working committees to be organized?
 - Languages that should be supported?
 - What would help chapters to be more involved with ISOC global community?
- Status: advanced draft, to be translated and sent (Pierre-Jean Darres)



Other topics



ChAC-SC: Upcoming topics

- Community Week, 6-7 September
- Full ChAC calls / Communication with full ChAC
- Selection of Chapter volunteers for the Board of Trustees' 2023 elections and nominations committee
- ChAC SC 2023 elections process will start in September



Merci.



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