Internet Development Conference (IDC) - Eastern Africa

5 - 7 December, 2023

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Due to the liberalization of the Ethiopian telecom sector in 2019, Internet Society, in partnership with Meta, hosted the first Internet Development Conference (IDC) in Addis Ababa in March 2020. The conference’s success led to the revival of the Ethiopian Internet community, the launch of the Internet Society Ethiopia Chapter and discussions on establishing a local IXP.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the security challenges in Ethiopia hampered progress on Internet development, but now in 2023, we are ready to move forwards and further the gains made in Ethiopia.

The Internet Development Conference 2023 (IDC 2023) will focus on 6 neighbouring countries in Eastern Africa: Ethiopia, Djibouti, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, and Sudan, expanding the conference’s impact and allowing the countries in the sub-region at different stages of Internet development to learn from each other and build regional relationships.
The main aim of the **Internet Development Conference (IDC) - Eastern Africa**, is to contribute to the **building of the Internet ecosystem** in the Eastern Africa region by laying the foundation for better **regional Internet infrastructure & regulatory framework** improvement to create a greater Internet economy.

The conference objectives are to:

- Address the main issues and challenges various countries in the region are facing in relation to the Internet.
- Create a forum of discussion for the countries to learn from each other in the various areas of Internet Development.
- Explore different technical options to improve the internet infrastructure in the region and to make better use of the regional and global internet infrastructure.
- Discuss national and regional interconnection successes and challenges and what needs to be done in the future.
- Explore potential and future Internet-related obstacles, and threats and discuss potential solutions and recommendations.
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