THE ALS ORGANIZATIONS OF APRALO

Internet Society of Australia (ISOC-AU)

ALS Description

ISOC-AU was founded in 1996 it promotes development of the Internet based upon the needs of Australian end-users. The Internet Society, is a non-profit, non-governmental, international professional membership organization that brings diverse interests and factions together to work out reasonable solutions that generate progress and growth for the Internet, which promotes Australian Internet development - ISOC-AU is a chapter of the world-wide Internet Society and supports international web accessibility guidelines.

The Internet is for everyone!

Objectives

The Objects of the Internet Society of Australia

The fundamental human desire for communication has been the engine driving social, cultural, scientific, and economic development throughout history. The new medium of the Internet has brought about widespread, creative communication between individuals and groups that previously had little chance of contact. The overriding objective of the Society is to give expression to the needs and wishes of individuals, groups, or organizations that have a common interest in the viability of the Internet in Australia, so that all Australian users of the Internet may continue to benefit from, and contribute to, its applications, technologies, and evolution.

The objects for which the Society is established are:

(1) to provide broad-based representation of the Australian Internet community both nationally and internationally;

(2) to provide a service for the benefit of the community generally by enabling individuals, groups, and organizations to use the Internet effectively for communication, collaboration, education, and innovation;

(3) to promote the availability of access to the Internet for all Australians, and to provide information, assistance, archives, and other relevant resources for Australian Internet users;

(4) to give expression to the viewpoint of Australian Internet users to business, industry, the government, the media, and society in general, by providing information and promoting education;
(5) to affiliate with other Australian Internet-focused organizations for co-
ordination, collaboration and education in order to further the objectives of the Society;

(6) to examine, develop, and disseminate the community’s understanding of ethical and cooperative standards of usage of the Internet;

(7) to support, coordinate, develop and evolve effective standards of administration of systems and resources fundamental to the functioning and integrity of the Internet, such as addressing, naming, security and connectivity;

(8) to promote, facilitate, and conduct research relating to the Internet and internetworking; and

(9) to develop and maintain formal and informal relationships with the international Internet community.

**ALS Recent Activities**

NBN: A Guide for Consumers, was launched on 8 April 2011 by Senator Stephen Conroy, the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy. The Guide was written by ISOC-AU ED Holly Raiche and Directors Narelle Clark and Dr Paul Brooks for ACCAN, in cooperation with Jonathan Gadir, Senior Policy Advisory ACCAN. It answers common questions about the Internet, broadband and the NBN

Recent Submissions
28 Jan 2011: DBDCE Convergence Review: Terms of Reference
08 Nov 2010: Comments on the ACCC’s Paper on the NBN Points of Interconnect (POIs)
06 Oct 2010: Exposure Draft of the Australian Privacy Amendment Legislation
All Previous Submissions can be found on our Web Site  [http://www.isoc-au.org.au](http://www.isoc-au.org.au)

Past Conferences

2010 Australian IPv6 Summit - IPv6? You’re Standing In It
2009 Australian IPv6 Summit - The Bottom Line
2008 Australian IPv6 Summit - Transition to IPv6
2007 Australian IPv6 Summit - IPv6 at Work
2006 Australian IPv6 Summit - The Business Case

2005 Australian IPv6 Summit


Forums on Internet protocols and infrastructure:
Internet Users Network, Tokyo

ALS Description

IUN, Tokyo, was formed by individuals concerned about the participation of Internet Users in the policy formation processes of ICANN. We are mostly living or working in Tokyo greater metropolitan areas and have professional interest in using ICTs, policy and societal issues, and global networking of the users.

Objectives

Address the end-users’ concerns for the global and local public policies related to the management and the use of the Internet. Promote the open and reasoned discussions on these matters.

ALS Recent Activities

Izumi Aizu, our representative, has been quite active in the areas of ICANN At-Large, serving for the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) since its beginning. He is also active in the civil society activities of the WSIS and IGF.

Currently, we are working on the introduction of new IDN ccTLD, Dot Nihon, in Japan to allow open and fair selection, operation and services of the TLD manager. After the great earthquake hit in East Japan, we are also engaged in the relief works using the ICT.
ISOC India Chennai ALS

ALS Description

ISOC India Chennai ALS is constituted by the members of the Chapter who have indicated a willingness to be a part of the At Large Structure. The ALS is based in Chennai but at present acts in the best interest of Internet users all over India.

Objectives

To act in the best interest of the average Internet users in ICANN At Large.

ALS Recent Activities

Provide inputs to ICANN policy.

Organizing an IPv6 workshop and Seminar jointly with APNIC

Work through the ISOC Chapter on Internet policy.
HKIF

ALS Description

Hong Kong Internet Forum (HKIF) is a non-profit organization representing the opinions and needs of Internet users in the local community. These opinions and needs are channeled to service providers, vendors, HKSAR Government, local, regional and global organizations and associations to influence their policies and strategies affecting the rights of local Internet users and their families, as well as their quality of life in the cyber world.

HKIF was established by a team of professionals who have a common vision to strengthen the connection amongst the Hong Kong Internet users. Members of HKIF can exchange views and experiences through this forum. They can express their concerns and share solutions on issues related to the development and use of Internet for individuals and organizations in Hong Kong to meet their needs and objectives. Through this sharing, HKIF members will build up strong friendship among one another and a united front to influence the development of policies and strategies on use of Internet technologies and applications.

Objectives

HKIF has the following objectives:

a. to foster the increasing awareness and knowledge of individual Internet users in Hong Kong on use of Internet and its applications to enhance the life of individual users, social ethics and social harmony;

b. to provide a forum for the exchange of knowledge and views on the development of Internet policies, infrastructure, technologies, standards and applications among Internet users, and provide effective channels for the dissemination of such information;

c. to represent the views and needs of Hong Kong Internet users in policy development and development of standards, technical infrastructure and its administration by ICANN and other bodies related to the Internet;

d. to provide a forum and promote and encourage Hong Kong Internet users’ participation and involvement in ICANN and other bodies related to the Internet in an open and transparent manner;

e. to cooperate with other Internet institutions to promote the healthy development of the Internet, global collaboration to achieve such and in particular the establishment and operation of APRALO; and
f. to act as an impartial advisor to the government(s), related Internet institutions, and the public on matters of significant interest to Hong Kong people in relation to the development of Internet policies, international cooperation, technical infrastructure and its administration.

**ALS Recent Activities**

a. HKIF provided a written submission to the ITBP (Information Technology and Broadcasting Panel) of the Legislative Council on the implementation of recommendations arising from a review of the administration of ‘.hk’ in Hong Kong in April 2009.

b. A written submission was provided to HKIRC on their call for comments from the public on the proposed composition of the Consultative and Advisory Panel (CAP), a panel of independent individuals providing advice and feedback on issues to the Board of HKIRC, the registry of .hk, in April 2009.

c. An online survey on cyberspace security was conducted via our website in October 2007.
Internet Society Hong Kong

ALS Description

Internet Society Hong Kong (ISOC HK) is the local chapter organization of the Internet Society (ISOC), which is an international, professional, not-for-profit membership society with more than 100 organizations and more than tens of thousands individual members in over 90 chapters around the world, providing leadership in all issues confronting the current and future Internet. ISO-HK was formed in 2005 by local veteran Internet professionals with the mission to improve the practice of Internet governance and online civil society in Hong Kong. Consistent with the ISOC statement of purpose, ISOC HK believes in “maintaining and extending the development and availability of the Internet and its associated technologies and applications - both as an end in itself, and as a means of enabling organizations, professions, and individuals locally and worldwide to more effectively collaborate, cooperate, and innovate in their respective fields and interests.” For more detailed information of Internet Society Hong Kong, please visit www.isoc.hk.

Objectives

Internet Society Hong Kong (ISOC HK): Vision and Mission

The vision of ISOC HK is that an open and accessible network, in technology and policy, contributes to and provides a platform for sustainable development of the information society, which enriches the human experience.

The mission of ISOC HK is to:

1. Foster participation, contribution and leadership from individuals and organizations in Hong Kong, on the open development of standards, protocols, administration, governance and the technical infrastructure and evolution of the Internet, as local and global citizens of the information society;

2. Promote the Internet as a positive tool and environment for social cooperation, community building, and fostering of a culture that enables self-governance and balanced multi-stakeholder participation to work;

3. Be a voice and platform for Internet professionals, users and the Internet community at large in cooperative efforts on local and international policy, practice and development;

4. Provide and facilitate forums for idea, experience and cultural exchange among individuals and organizations from private and public sectors as well as across borders;
5. Support relevant educational, humanitarian and societal initiatives concerning the Internet community and the information society, such as addressing the bridging of digital divide, capacity and access building, as well as other informational and outreach activities.

ISOC HK (Internet Society Hong Kong Chapter) is dedicated to the open, unencumbered, beneficial use of the Internet; the upholding of the freedom of expression and opinion, privacy of personal information and aversion of social discrimination; through responsible self-regulation and harmonized governance.

Consistent with the ISOC statement of purpose, ISOC HK believes in "maintain[ing] and extend[ing] the development and availability of the Internet and its associated technologies and applications - both as an end in itself, and as a means of enabling organizations, professions, and individuals [locally and] worldwide to more effectively collaborate, cooperate, and innovate in their respective fields and interests."

ISOC HK will be driven by individual users and Internet professionals, in conjunction with and augmented by socially responsible corporations in the information society. ISOC HK intends to encourage participation and discussion form its members on issues within the scope of its mandate, and will endeavor to partner and join with other relevant groups from different spectrums of the local and global community on different activities.

**ALS Recent Activities**

IPv6World.Asia Campaign >> www.ipv6world.asia
APRICOT-APAN 2011, Hong Kong >> www.apricot-apan.asia

For photos, please check it here: [http://www.flickr.com/photos/isoc_hk/sets/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/isoc_hk/sets/)
**Arab Knowledge Management Society (AKMS)**

**ALS Description**

Our Vision:
To play a pioneering role in organizing, directing, motivating, and developing the capacities of Arab individuals and institutions in order to create an Arab Knowledge Community.

Our Mission:
To deepen knowledge communication and promote exchange of expertise, knowledge and skills in the fields of management and knowledge between individuals and organizations in the Arab world through implementing a package of specialized programs and activities that open up international horizons for those individuals and organizations towards knowledge, administrative and technical development and progress.

**Objectives**

Our Objectives:
The Arab Knowledge and Management Society, a non-profit organization worldwide, adopts the strategy of interactive teaching and utilizes digital technology to achieve communication and innovation in the field of information management.
The Society aims at promoting research and development in the field of knowledge and management and keeping its members updated with the latest developments through training courses, qualification programs, forums, conferences, bulletins, and other activities of interest.

The Society aims to:

- Provide high-quality training and education which meet the needs of our clients and their employees.
- Develop and enhance research which has acknowledged standards of excellence.
- Shape policy and practice within our chosen areas of expertise.
- Make a significant contribution to the Arab world economies.
- Increase the international scope and reputation of the AKMS.
- Develop the AKMS through growth and strategic alliances with international reputable institutions.
- Concentrate on all managerial concepts, which highlight the role of the manager in the organization especially the Arab world to utilize the resource in optimal ways.
- Develop the managerial skills for AKMS members, and state their role in the process of management development.
Communications and Multimedia Consumer Forum of Malaysia (CFM)

ALS Description

CFM was established in February 2001 as a society with representation from all relevant parties, including the "supply and demand" side of the communications and multimedia industry. It was designated by MCMC as the Communications and Multimedia Consumer Forum in 2002 to protect the rights of consumers of that sector. This is in line with the requirements of the CMA which facilitates industry self-regulation.

As a designated forum, CFM is tasked with, among others, the preparation of consumer Codes that would be used as a base guideline for the provisioning of services by the communications and multimedia service providers. The General Consumer Code (GCC) was accepted by MCMC as an industry Code in 2002 along with the Internet Access Code.

CFM reviews and updates the GCC every 3 years. An annual report is also available on activities and progress of CFM.

Objectives

The objectives and functions of CFM are as follows:

- To promote the national policy objectives as stated in the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998 (CMA).
- To draft, develop and prepare Codes that protect the rights of the Consumer pursuant to the provisions of the CMA and from time to time to amend, develop, modify, review and update the Codes.
- To engage in and undertake research on matters within the jurisdiction of the forum; to collect, prepare and distribute statistics as may be considered desirable or beneficial to all or any of the forum's objectives and purposes.
- To provide an avenue and channel for lodging complaints, disputes and grievances.
- To recommend inexpensive and practical alternative dispute resolution procedures.
- To recommend procedures for compensation and / or any other mode of action to the Customer in case of a breach of a Code.
- To invite, collect and collate public opinion and views on consumer matters; to promote and create public and industry awareness of the Codes and the requirement for licensees and CFM members to comply to them; and to provide avenues for dissemination of information to the public as well as education regarding consumer rights, regulations and technologies for the Consumer.
- To administer sanctions on breaches of the Codes by CFM members.
• To monitor service delivery of the communications and multimedia industry concerning consumer interests to ensure compliance with the Codes.
• To enhance Consumer confidence through the promotion and encouragement of high standards of service, conduct and performance throughout the communications and multimedia industry.
• To regularly update the Malaysian Communications & Multimedia Commission (MCMC) on the progress of the CFM.

ALS Recent Activities

• CFM Personal Data Protection Seminar for Members and Licensees – 24 May 2011
• Program Pemerkasaan Pengguna Komunikasi & Multimedia – 13 Dec 2010
• CFM’s 10th Annual General Meeting – 29 Jun 2010
Emirates Internet Group

ALS Description

Founded the Emirates Internet Group in March 14, 2006 at the initiative of a group of young Emiratis. Where the Group seeks to develop the performance of Internet users and facilitate the exchange of experiences and information and consultancy. Logo is a modest home and refers to the gathering place for young Emirati in a safe environment for the exchange of technical information and expertise among them. Therefore, he is the symbol of the pool and the house of the members of the emblem symbolizes also the share point forward and demonstrates the ambitions towards excellence, progress and development of skills in the information age symbolizes circles of different sizes that we aspire for the collection of community groups of junior and junior and senior and develop their abilities in the use of the Internet

Objectives

Vision: The development of the performance of Internet users and facilitate the exchange of experiences and information and consultancy. Delivery of the courses in the areas not available in the field of Information Technology Motivation and training for people with special needs.
Internet Users Society Niue

ALS Description

Our WiFi network allows you to use your laptop, PC, iPhone, PSP, or other WiFi-enabled device to go on-line anywhere on Niue where there is WiFi coverage.

Free internet access, which benefits both Niueans and visitors, is the result of a commitment to the Government of Niue by The IUSN Foundation.

Objectives

Internet Niue connects to the worldwide web through PacTel International, a satellite-based internet service that services the Pacific Islands. PacTel also provides software that ensures that critical internet uses – such as email, web browsing and downloading, and social media – get priority access to the system’s bandwidth over peer-to-peer uses such as the sharing of movies.
**ISOC NZ**

**ALS Description**

InternetNZ (Internet New Zealand Inc.) is the non-profit open membership organisation dedicated to protecting and promoting the Internet in New Zealand and fostering a coordinated, cooperative approach to its ongoing development.

Our primary objective is “high performance and unfettered access for all” so the Internet continues to operate in an open environment that cannot be captured by any entity or individual for their own ends.

**Objectives**

InternetNZ objectives:

- To promote easily available access to the Internet for New Zealanders, including a connection for every home.
- To develop, maintain and disseminate standards for the Internet and its associated technologies and applications.
- To develop effective administrative processes for the operation of the Internet in New Zealand.
- To promote education and conduct research related to the Internet.
- To represent the common interests of the wider NZ Internet community.
- To support continued competitive provision of access to the Internet.

**ALS Recent Activities**

InternetNZ works across a range of public and technical policy issues. Each item of work sits under one of four work streams - Access, Openness, Right & Responsibilities and Security. InternetNZ also makes regular submissions to the Government, regulators and Parliament that cross all work streams.

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Access
Current Projects
World Internet Project
Last updated: 20 May 2011
Status: In Progress

The World Internet Project is an international research project that tracks the global trends of the Internet over a number of years by surveying both users and non-users. The New Zealand research is part-funded by InternetNZ and conducted by the Institute of Culture, Discourse & Communication at Auckland University of Technology.
NIEIPA

ALS Description

As the world is becoming a Global Village, the development of National Information Infra-structure (NII) is widely adopted in developed countries as an important policy to heighten overall industrial competitiveness and assure competitive superiority in the coming century.

The benefits of NII for the nation are im-mense. An advanced NII will enable Taiwan to compete and win in the global economy, generate good jobs for the people and eco-nomic growth for the nation. Understanding that the promise of electronic commerce wo be truly realized until suitable catalyst and unbiased mechanisms are in place, Dr. Han-Min Hsia, advisor to the President of ROC and exminister without portfolio in charge of technology policy, established NII Enterprise Promotion Association (NIIA) in 1996.

NIIA is the first non-profit organization in Taiwan to promote NII and introduce leading-edge applications in Taiwan. It successfully serves as a trendsetter as well as a bridge between the industry and government to en-courage the development of NII in Taiwan.

Objectives

Support the government to extensively implement NII applications and services that are on a par with the developed countries.

Assist the private sector to provide NII services and applications to the public, especially those related to their daily life.

Strengthen links between the government and the private sector in terms of science and technology visions and policies.

Collaborate with the government to build a well-rounded environment for the development of the NII industry

ALS Recent Activities

Within two years, we completed various studies on Communication, Computer and Consumer Electronics (3C) Digital Integration, NII water resources networks, Distance Education, Electronic Commerce, Telecommunications, and Internet Content. The concrete action plans resulted from the above studies have been widely adopted by both the Government and the industry.

On the principle of public interest, We hosted numerous conferences that are well responded and recognized by the public and private sectors.
Since the establishment of CommerceNet Taiwan in November 1997, our devotion to promote the applications of XML, electronic catalog and supply chain management has caught the industry eyes.
**ISOC PIC**

**ALS Description**

The Pacific Islands Chapter of the Internet Society serves the Society’s purposes by serving the interests of the global Internet community through its presence in the Pacific Islands. It focuses on local issues and developments, and as an impartial advisor to governments and the public on matters of significant interest to Pacific Island people.

The Internet is for all, so is the Internet Society and the Pacific Islands Chapter so you don’t need to be a techo or propeller head to join but to be simply interested in developing Internet in all its aspect in the Pacific Islands (societal, telehealth, regulation, policies, security, digital divide,..).

**Objectives**

PICISOC has been at the forefront of a number of important initiatives in the Pacific region. These include raising awareness in the following areas:

- the Internet for the region’s journalists
- the move to IPv6;
- DNS (Domain Name Servers)
- FOSS (Free and Open Software);
- Routing;
- cyber security leading the establishment of PacificCERT
Pakistan ICT Policy Monitor

ALS Description

Two easily discernible ‘waves’ have been sweeping across the current of human history during recent times. They have set in motion, a train of changes that have already transformed the human society in ways that are nothing short of revolutionary. They are: (i) transition towards information society, and (ii) revolution in ICTs.

In this context, it is extremely important that ICT policies in the country are not only people centered but also implemented in its true spirit and are at work for the betterment of common Pakistanis. Our country has a history of good and bad policies and above all gaps in proper implementation. This portal is dedicated to discuss, highlight and monitor ICT policy issues in the country. All of you, who are interested, are welcome to join in and use this space for the purpose.

Objectives

Overall objectives of Pakistan ICT Policy Monitoring Portal are:

- to highlight and capture ICT and development related campaign issues in Pakistan and register civil society perspective to those issues.
- to work as a bridge in between ICT and development professionals, technologists, policy makers, academia, media and larger civil society.
- to launch policy advocacy campaigns around various ICT policy issues in the country.
- to work as an information gateway for ICT and development communities in Pakistan.

Bytesforall Pakistan acknowledges gracious support by the APC (www.apc.org) for providing us not only the finances to develop this space but also much needed technical backstopping. We anticipate that portal will grow into a number of important ICT4D initiatives for the betterment of the country.
**ISOC Kolkata Chapter**

**ALS Description**

ISOC has more than 80 chapters worldwide and Kolkata Chapter is the third chapter of ISOC in India besides New Delhi and Chennai.

**Objectives**

The Kolkata Chapter has been formed with the following objectives:

- To serve the interests of a segment of the global Internet community through a local presence, focus on local issues and developments, and increased use of local languages for Internet.
- To further educate West Bengalis scientific community, local businesses, and the public at large with respect to the technology, use, and applications of the Internet;
- To promote educational applications of Internet technology in State of West Bengal for the benefit of government, schools, colleges, and universities, commerce & industry, and the public at large;
- To provide a forum for local entrepreneurs, professionals, students, and government officials to explore and help develop new Internet application, and to stimulate collaboration among organizations in their operational use of the Internet.

**ALS Recent Activities**

2009:

- Kolkata Chapter of Internet Society in association with Institute of Engineering and Management - Kolkata has launched grass roots level study projects in different areas mapping with the objectives of Kolkata Chapter. The topics are (a) State of Internet in West Bengal, (b) Role of IXP, (c) An overview & IPV6, and (d) Awareness status among different user communities.

Four students from the Institute will be involved with Kolkata Chapter for the next six weeks on a full-time basis and will submit a report at the end of the period. The students have been divided into groups of two and each group will be mentored by the Chair, Mr. Anupam Agrawal, and Vice Chair, Mr. Niel Hirjee, of the chapter. The first meeting happened in this respect on 20 June 2009.

- The students have completed their report and submitted. They have been given certificates by the Chapter.
2010:

- The Kolkata chapter of Internet Society has set up a Special Interest Group (SIG) focusing on the Usage & Usability of Internet by Medical Fraternity. This SIG is codenamed SIG Medical. The members of this SIG will be primarily Doctors who form an important, indispensable and awed element of our societal fabric. However, people from other branches will also be part of this SIG subject to approval of the SIG Anchor & Co-Anchor to form it a multilateral and multi disciplinary group. They are brought together by a shared understanding that internet is more than usable technology. In fact, Internet has become an inter- societal process, which, when used properly, has the power to transform persons’ lives.

- The group is now available on LinkedIn. The link is [http://www.linkedin.com/groups?mostPopular=&gid=2465944](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?mostPopular=&gid=2465944) (external link).
Netmission.ASIA

ALS Description

The NetMission Ambassadors program (NetMission.asia) is a network of dedicated young knowledge volunteers devoted towards promoting and contributing towards digital inclusion, Internet governance as well as a respectable and harmonious Internet environment.

The training program invites experts from all sectors in society to train the Ambassadors on the subjects of Internet governance, digital inclusion and other related areas. They share insights, experiences and knowledge with the NetMission Ambassadors. Each graduating class of NetMission Ambassadors is then tasked to develop and implement two digital inclusion community projects to raise awareness and bring positive social impact to the information society in Asia. Ambassadors will create ideas and develop ways to address the digital divide problem with the support from the organizers, network of guests and supporting organizations.

Ambassadors who demonstrate commitment, make significant contributions and show a good understanding of NetMission's work will be selected to represent the team on International and regional conferences and excursions.

Objectives

Our Mission & Vision:

- Knowledge volunteers
- An Autonomous working environment
- An emphasis on international collaboration, and participation from all sectors
- Participation in Regional and International conferences

ALS Recent Activities

- Youth internet Governance Forum (yIGF Camp): Working Together to Create a Better Internet Environment
- Youth Group: Pilot Program Help Underprivileged Families with Internet Security
- Elderly group: Access to Computers Not Enough to Motivate Elderly to Get Online
- Friday, 08 October 2010
- Children's Group: The Digital Warrior’s Children Carnival