# AfriNIC

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# AfriNIC Update – July 2004

ICANN Meeting Kuala Lumpur

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# Background

- Africa is served by 3 RIRs
  - Need for more coordination
  - Need for consistency
- In 2000 in Cape Town, African ISPs present at the first members meeting, agreed to setup a registry which will serve Africa as a whole
  - A committee was setup to draft the first bylaws that should govern AfriNIC.

# Support from the community

- Since 2000 AfriNIC has been receiving support from ISPs and organizations in the continent.
  - 68 Organization signed the funding declaration in 2000 and 2001.
  - 27 letters of support from 25 countries
  - 13 registered (paid up) members (since May 2004)
- List of funding members and supporting organisations are available online at:

www.afrinic.net/foundmembers.htm www.afrinic.net/support/index.htm

### **Activities Since 2000**

- May 2001 (Accra AfNOG II): Appointment of an Interim BoT to setup the organization and conduct the transition.
  - Sub-regional representation
  - 2 per sub-region
  - for three years



### 2002

- January: 1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting, Cairo, Egypt
  - Presentation of the first AfriNIC incorporation plan
  - A Board Member was designated to discuss with RIRs and conclude an agreement with RIPE NCC for incubation period.
  - Decision to hire staff to work full time for AfriNIC
- May: (AFNOG III)
   Board Meeting and status report to local community, Lomé TOGO
  - Agreement signed with RIPE NCC to incubate AfriNIC for two years and train its staff
  - Received public statement of support from ARIN.
- August: 2nd public Board Meeting, Nairobi, Kenya
  - Activity plan adopted
  - Agreed on people to be trained

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### 2003

- February: AfriNIC staff started training at RIPE NCC.
- June: Emerging RIR workshop organized by LACNIC in Montevideo (attended by AfriNIC and the other RIRs representatives)
- June: Outreach meeting in Kampala (AfNOG IV)
   Hosting countries were selected after a call for
   proposal lunched in Feb 2003:
  - Mauritius as main office and head quarters.
  - South Africa for technical Operation
  - Egypt as Disaster recovery and data replication center
  - Ghana for Training coordination center



# 2003 (cont.)

- September: Outreach meeting (I-Week Johannesburg
  - Reviewing Terms of Reference for Hosting Countries.
  - Discussions about policies development process.
  - Outreach and input from local community
  - Visit of hosting facilities offered by SA (Cape town/Pretoria)
- Activity Report sent to local ISPs/LIRs.
- First draft of transition Plan
- New web site designed.
- Launch an information letter (Vol.1 & 2)
- Appointment of a Project Manager (Oct 2003)
- December: completion of training at RIPE NCC



### 2004: Achievement

- January: AfriNIC project Manager visits ARIN office to discuss transition plan.
- February: a Policy working group was setup (composed of volunteer from the community).
  - the policy development process has been improved and adopted.
  - First set of policies has been received and posted on the policy discussion mailing list.

# Achievement (cont.)

- February 2004: AfriNIC was registered as a non-governmental and not-for-profit company in Mauritius (RN: 49338):
  - The company is governed by its members, who have control on its operations by defining/approving policies and activities plan.
  - The members elect an Independent board of Trustees composed of representatives from the 6 subregions of the continent.

# Achievement (cont.)

 April: supportive documents regarding resources policies and corporate governance were published on AfriNIC web site.

www.afrinic.net/documents.htm

- May: First public policy meeting
  - IPv4, IPv6, ASN and reverse delegation Policies were discussed and adopted
  - 2004-2005 budget was adopted
  - New article of constitution was adopted
  - A new board was elected
- June: AfriNIC received it first equipment.
- June: AfriNIC attends ARIN regional meeting in Africa (Dar Es Salaam).
- July: Activities report letter sent to ICANN
- July: AfriNIC servers setup and relocated to the hosting facility in South Africa.

### AfriNIC Structure and team

#### •West Africa

1.Pierre Dandjinou (BJ) - Chair 1.Alan Barett (ZA)

2.Sunday Folayan (NG)

#### Central Africa

1.Didier Kasole (CD)

2. Pierre M. KASENGEDIA (CD)

#### •Indian Ocean

1.Dr. Viv Padayatchy (MU)

2.Keny Yiptong (MU)

#### Southern Africa

2.Alan Levin (ZA)

#### North Africa

1.Kamal Okba (MA)

2.Mokhtar Hamidi (DZ)

#### •East Africa

1.Brian Longwe (KE)

2.Charles Mussi (UG)

#### **AfriNIC Board**



**CEO** Adiel AKPLOGAN



**Business and Administrative Assistant** Nooriah Woozeer

#### WG / Committees

- Policies
- Meetings
- BEC
- Financial

**CFO** 



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### Working Groups & Committees

#### Policy working group

- Gregory Massel (ZA)
- Mouhamet DIOP (SN)
- Grar Younes (DZ)
- Alan Levin (ZA)
- Ernest Byaruhanga (AfriNIC UG)
- Adiel Akplogan (AfriNIC TG)
- ◆ Allan Barrett (AfriNIC BoT ZA)

#### Board Election Committee

- Adiel Akplogan (AfriNIC)
- Jacob Mtui (Tanzania)
- Representative from the NRO's EC
- Alain Aina (Benin)

#### Meetings Committee

Pierre Dandjinou, Adiel Akplogan

### Office setup

 AfriNIC has its offices setup in South Africa (where 2 staff are working) and Mauritius with one staff.

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# Outreach program

- Outreach: Ongoing
  - AfriNIC News: Vol.1 & Vol.02 released
  - Web site kept current <u>www.afrinic.net</u>
  - Regular Update to the community
- Reinforced AfriNIC relationship with RIRs by attending their meetings and updating their members with progress on AfriNIC.

Different presentations are available at:

www.afrinic.net/meetings

Reinforced AfriNIC's presence at various ICT meetings across the continent

### Result

- Increased number of letters of support from ISPs and LIRs
  - www.afrinic.net/support/
- Started receiving membership:
  - www.afrinic.net/membership.htm
- Support for /22 as IPv4 minimum allocation size for ARIN, RIPE NCC and APNIC African members.
- Harmonization of IP block (196/8) used for allocation to LIRs in Africa.
- The NRO signed an MoU with AfriNIC in March 2004 to financially support part of its startup.



### Transition plan

- Because Africa is served by 3 different Registries, there is:
  - Need for coordination
  - Need for consistency
- Transition is organized in 4 (Business and Technical) Phases:
- Phase 0: Preparation (Ended)
- Phase 1: Co-evaluation & AfriNIC
  Database/Whois setup
- Phase 2: Uniform policy and Evaluation process
- Phase 3: Provisional Recognition & Independent evaluation with Audit by RIRs
- Phase 4: Final approval



# Phase 0 (Done)

- Training and staffing: AfriNIC has hired staff that has been trained at RIPE NCC in RIR operation
- Physical Office setup
  - South Africa
  - Mauritius
- Infrastructure & Technical Transition design
  - Network architecture design
  - Internet transit Identification
  - Servers and Network equipments acquisition
  - Tools and software identification

# Phase 0 cont (Done)

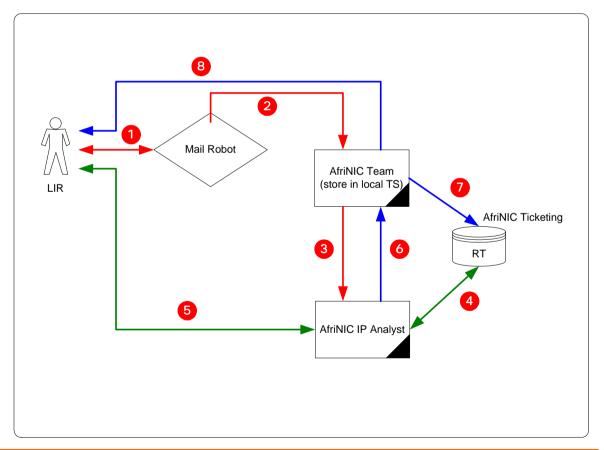
- Policies documents
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  - ◆ RSA
  - Supporting documents
- Budget and financial plan

**Start of Phase 1** 



### Phase 1:

Start of co-evaluation



### AfriNIC and the ICP-2 requirement

- Region of coverage
- 2 Support from the community
- **3** Self governance
- 4 Impartiality
- **5** Technical expertise
- **6** Adherence to Global Address allocation policy
- Activity Plan
- 3 Funding model
- 9 Record Keeping
- O Confidentiality

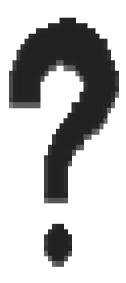
Tremendous progress have been made by AfriNIC since 2003.

We like to publicly announce here that we are ready to initiate the formal recognition process by ICANN, by submitting our document for formal recognition in the coming days with the strong hope that we will receive a provisional recognition as soon as possible.

We are almost there



### End



**Questions / Comments** 

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