



Government Affairs & Public Policy

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Activities since last meeting

- **ICANN** – November
- **Internet Governance Forum (IGF)** –
December
- **ARIN- Government Work Group (AGWG)**
- February



Internet Governance Forum (IGF)

- Hyderabad, India 3 – 6 December
- Themes
 - **Reaching the Next Billion**
 - **Promoting Cyber-Security and Trust**
 - **Managing Critical Internet Resources**



IGF cont'd

- **Main session - two panel discussions each day**
 - **Transition from IPv4 to IPv6** – Bernadette Lewis moderator, Adiel Akplogan, Raul Echeberria speakers
 - **Internet Governance** - Global, Regional and National

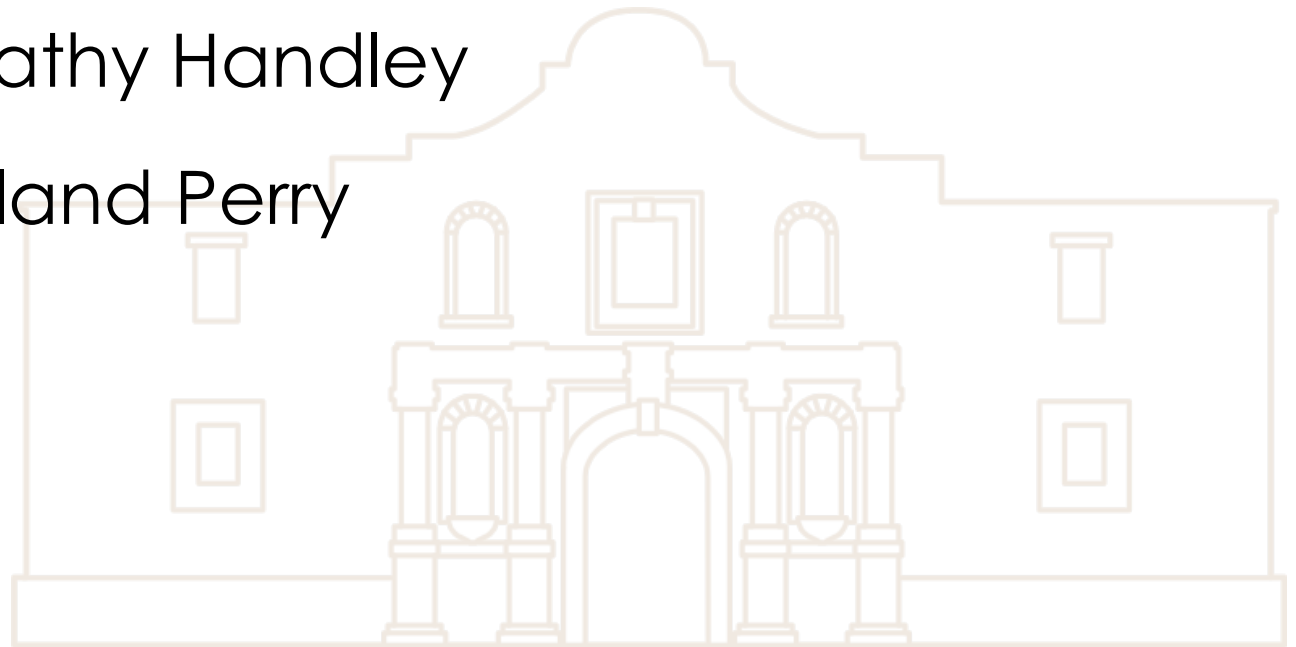
World Telecommunication Policy Forum (WTPF)

- ITU Activity – 21-24 April
- Four broad topic areas
 - **Convergence** – including Internet-related public policy matters
 - **Next-generation networks**
 - **Emerging telecommunication policy and regulatory issues**
 - **International Telecommunication Regulations**

WTPF cont'd

RIR Representation

- **APNIC** – German Valdez, Sam Dickinson
- **ARIN** – Cathy Handley
- **RIPE** – Roland Perry



AGWG

- **RIPE Coordination Working Group**
- **AGWG**
 - February – 1st meeting
 - San Antonio
 - Charter



Going Forward

What's out there on the horizon?



ICANN

- **New CEO**
- **JPA** – Terminates September 30, 2009
- **IANA Functions Contract** – Option 4, terminates September 30, 2011



United States

United States Senate

**Department of Commerce – National
Telecommunications and Information
Administration (DoC-NTIA)**



U.S. Senate

- **S.773** - A bill to ensure the continued free flow of commerce within the United States and with its global trading partners through secure cyber communications, to provide for the continued development and exploitation of the Internet and intranet communications for such purposes, to provide for the development of a cadre of information technology specialists to improve and maintain effective cybersecurity defenses against disruption, and for other purposes. (Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation)

U.S. Senate

- **S.778** - A bill to establish, within the Executive Office of the President, the Office of National Cybersecurity Advisor. (Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs)



U.S. Legislation

<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/billtext.xpd?bill=s111-773>

<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/billtext.xpd?bill=s111-778>



Canada

Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC)

Industry Canada



DoC-NTIA

- Assessment of the Transition of the Technical Coordination and Management of the Internet Domain Name and Addressing System
- Docket No. 090420688-9689-01



DoC-NTIA

- http://www.ntia.doc.gov/frnotices/2009/FR_ICANNVol.74_No78_Apr242009
- Ex-Parte rules in effect
 - DNSTransition@ntia.doc.gov



CRTC

“Review of the Internet traffic management practices of Internet service providers”

Reference: 8646-C12-200815400

In this Public Notice, the Commission initiates a public proceeding to consider Internet traffic management practices for both wholesale and retail Internet services. The Commission invites detailed written comments, with supporting rationale, on the issues identified below. The proceeding will include an oral public hearing, which will begin on 6 July 2009 at the Conference Centre, Phase IV, 140 Promenade du Portage, Gatineau, Quebec.

CRTC

<http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2008/pt2008-19.htm>



Industry Canada

- Regulating content on the Internet: A new technological perspective 03/08
- First 1999
- “Regardless of whether or not it is desirable to regulate content on the Internet from a policy perspective, the question becomes moot unless it is technologically possible to do so in a meaningful way.”

CRTC

- **In the past year, research and stakeholder consultation through the New Media Project Initiative has identified several key issues concerning high-quality Canadian new media broadcasting content, including:**
 - *the need for increased support for Canadian new media broadcasting content;*
 - *the need to promote Canadian content in a global new media broadcasting environment;*
 - *the need to study the impact of traffic management techniques on new media broadcasting insofar as they may impair access to Canadian content;*
 - *and the need for clearer definitions concerning new media broadcasting.*

Industry Canada

- Like the first report, this updated study does not address public policy issues, but again focuses solely on issues of technological feasibility.
- <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf09030.html>



ITU

- IP Address Allocation
- 2010 Plenipotentiary Conference
- ?



IGF 2009

15 -18 November

Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt



Conclusion

As the IPv4 free pool moves closer to depletion, the RIRs will get more attention. Not just from governments, from any group involved in Internet Governance issues wanting to make sure allocation requests are handled appropriately.

