Internet Governance and Public Policy

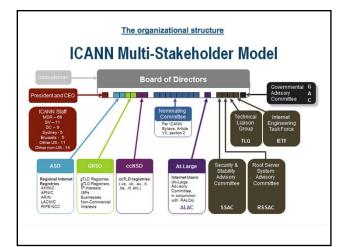


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Malta Internet Governance Forum

- Evolution of the Internet
- ICANN Model
- Internet Governance Fora
- Public Policy Issues





Affirmation of Commitment Principles

- Reduce US influence in Internet operations
- Improve ICANN Accountability & Transparency
- Enhance GAC Role
- Introduce Cyclical Reviews



ATRT Recommendations

- Benchmark Board Member Skill Sets
- Improve Transparency of Board Nominations
- Expedite Reforms to Board Meetings & Practices
- Clarify Central issues to ICANN's direction
- Develop Mechanisms for consultation with associated ICANN constituencies
- · Publish all material related to decision making
- Clarify what constitutes GAC advice
- Review Policy Development Process
- Endeavour to improve Government engagement

Internet Governance Fora

- ICANN
- EU High Level Internet Governance Group
- IGF
- CIGF
- Malta IG Group



Commonalities of IG Fora

- Purpose of Outreach
- Promote Good Practice
- Inform National / Global Public Policy Positions



CIGF Priorities

- Cyber Security
- Child Protection
- Accessibility
- Content
- Capacity Building



Pressing Public Policy Issues

- xxx Domain
- Expansion of generic domain space
 - Timing
 - Economic case
 - Scope of expansion
 - Early warning
 - Protection of IP
 - Applicant Vetting
 - Protected Strings
 - Application Fee
- Challenge to ICANN Model

IG Issues for Malta

- Legislation
- IPV6 Migration
- Security
- Education
- Small Businesses



Thank you

