

FINAL REPORT

OPEN FORUM – INTERNET NUMBER COMMUNITY

Friday, November 13. 12:00 – 13:00

Background:

The Numbering Community has been actively working in bottom-up processes even before ICANN and WSIS existed. It has worked well to coordinate IP addressing resources, at the regional and at the global levels. This has been a key element for the Internet to work well over many years. This Open Forum talked about the history of community involvement in the Internet Numbers space.

This Open Forum was designed to talk about the Numbering Community and not about specific organizations, such as the Regional Internet Registries. Main topics were: how the number community has developed policies for the management and distribution of IP resources; how it has led the deployment of technologies that use such resources, i.e. IPv6; and also introduced some of their efforts in producing a proposal for the transition of the stewardship of the IANA numbers function.

Original proposal is available here:

<http://www.intgovforum.org/cms/openforums-2015/details/34/501/open-forums-apnic-the-regional-internet-registry-for-asia-pacific>

Webcast of the Open Forum is available here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SeLaq2AZjnl&feature=youtu.be&t=1h1m49s>

Outline:

This was a 60 minutes session. This session was moderated by Axel Pawlik, current Chair of the Number Resource Organisation and Managing Director of RIPE NCC.

The first speaker was Aaron Hughes, CEO of [6connect](#), from North America. He talked about community-led policy development processes, at the regional and global levels.

Then Nicolás Antoniello, Advisor to a [Ministry](#) in Uruguay, from Latin America, talked about the policy forum of [Lacnic](#) and examples of policies in this region, such as IPv4 exhaustion and return of unused space to IANA.

Saskia Kleine-Tebbe, from the Federal [Ministry](#) of the Interior in Germany, talked about how governments are taking active part in the Number Community, proposing policies at the RIR level and gave examples of their participation in the

[RIPE-NCC](#) policy process.

Mike Blanche, from Google, talked about the multistakeholder nature of the RIPE community and organisation.

Lito Ibarra, Member of the Board of ICANN and Lacnic, from El Salvador, talked about the role of the Internet Number Community in Internet Governance processes, such as the IANA transition.

Izumi Okutani, from [JPNIC](#) in Japan, talked about the work to develop the Numbers Proposal for the IANA stewardship transition.

Finally Janvier Ngnoulaye, Lecturer in the ICT- University of Yaounde from Cameroon and former [Afrinic](#) Board Member talked about community involvement in Internet development and how IP addresses are progressing in Africa.

It was a good session.