Public participation in ICANN

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Who am I?

- UK journalist
- ICANN watcher and critic
- Internet lover

What is the job?

- Proposed originally in 2002 by ICANN president Stuart Lynn
- In bylaws: "There shall be a staff position… that shall be responsible for co-ordinating the various aspects of public participation in ICANN, including the Website and various other means of communicating with and receiving input from the general community of Internet users."
- My summary: get more input; better input; and make it count

Why is it needed?

- Poor filtering of information
- Excellent ideas lost ("I told ICANN two years ago")
- Frustrations
- Not enough interaction or people
- Insiders / history

What will I do?

- Get and share information
- Talk to people
- Listen
- Participation site
- Newsletters
- Factsheets
- New ideas

How can you help?

- More, adult, conversation
- Greater information sharing (silos)
- More interaction
- Higher quality information
- Ideas

- Questions / queries
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