Globalisation and regional presence

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Overview

• Globalisation of ICANN
• Strong interest from the ICANN community to have improved global presence
  • Improved communication and interaction with the global Internet community in respective regions
  • Enhance global operations
  • Potential cost savings

• Involves practicalities
  • Presence
  • Languages
  • Staffing

• Moving forward -- criteria for the establishment of regional ICANN offices, and the methodology for evaluating candidate regional office locations.
Function and Consideration

• Global Function
  – Improved Global operations
  – Day-to-Day operations
  – Local hiring

• Practical
  – Support the other offices in seamless and 24 hour cycle, including managing very closely with strong sensitivity to regional needs

• Regional Outreach
  – Ability to interact directly at regional level and support regional efforts and demands
Other aspects

- Respond to needs in same time zones
- Interact in respective languages
  - Language support structure
- Expressions of interest by stakeholders in regions seeking increased involvement and support
- Other regional events regularly request information and education about ICANN, including how to participate
Moving Forward

• Assessment of role, function and resources…
• What should be the general approach for considering locations for regional offices
• In which regional areas should these offices be located, taking into consideration natural regional groupings
• How should the offices be staffed
• Budgetary impact
• Timeline of implementation