

# Enhancing Transparency: The NRO Perspective

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# The Number Resource Organization

Represents the five Regional Internet Registries (RIRs)

Formed in 2003

Allows the RIRs to speak with a single voice and act collectively on technical projects, Internet security and community outreach

Active participant in Internet governance discussions since NRO's formation, including WSIS and IGF



### RIRs are Open and Transparent

All RIR communities operate according to open, transparent, bottom-up policy development processes

Close relationships with wide range of stakeholder groups:

- Network operators groups
- Industry
- Standards bodies
- Intergovernmental organizations
- Governments



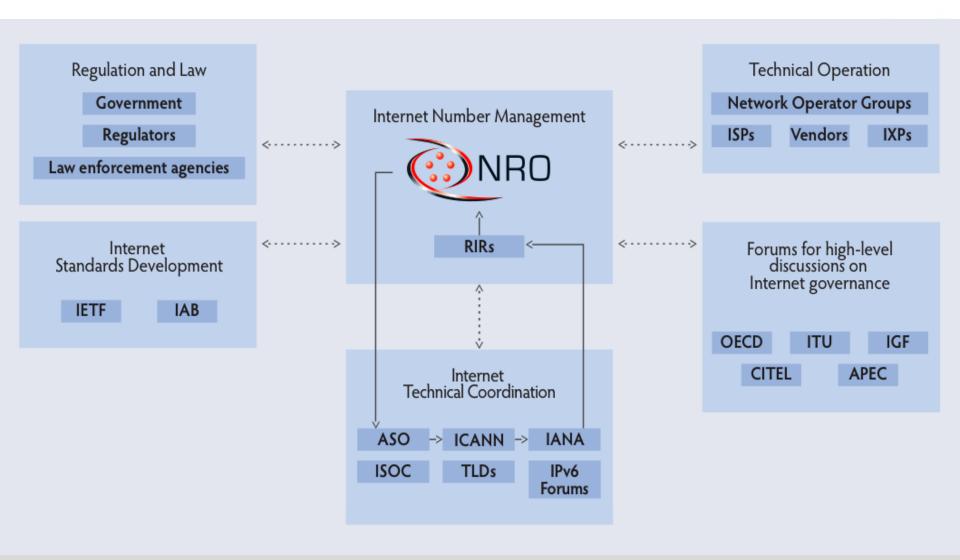
#### Multistakeholder Engagement

The RIRs work individually, and together as the NRO, with organizations including:

- OECD
- APEC
- CITEL
- CANTO
- ITU
- Many government and regulatory bodies



# Multistakeholder Engagement





#### The Value of Transparency

Fosters sustainable, robust, secure Internet

Facilitates exchange of information

Encourages and strengthens engagement of all stakeholders

Contributes to capacity building in developing economies, drawing on local and global knowledge and expertise



# **Expanding the Community**

RIR meetings and mailing lists are open to everyone

Open structure allows RIRs to engage with all stakeholders

RIRs are engaging governments through:

- Working Groups
- Government Roundtable Meetings
- Law Enforcement Agency events



#### Summary

Transparency and inclusion have resulted in:

- Better understanding between stakeholder groups
- Positive cooperation in the changing Internet environment
- Processes that are open to all stakeholders



### Enhancing transparency

- 1. Remote participation is vital
- 2. Broader inclusion at governmentorganized events
- 3. Make use of technical community, experts in governmental arenas

# Thank You