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June 2018 Highlights

The month of June witnessed the [US withdrawing](#) from the UN Human Rights Council; [the Legal Affairs Committee of the European Parliament \(JURI\) adopting the proposed version for copyright reform](#), including the tax provisions in Article 11 of Copyright Directive and the [controversial](#) Article 13; Canada unveiling their second [National Cyber Security Strategy](#); the US Government issuing a [Notice of inquiry on International Internet Policy Priorities](#) inviting public comment on four broad digital policy issues including [whether it should reassert its control of internet , reversing the ICANN handover](#).

Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) [signed a Memorandum of Understanding \(MoU\)](#) to work collaboratively in Net Neutrality. In the US, the [Federal Communications Commission's \(FCC\) Restoring Internet Freedom Order](#) came into effect, repealing the 2015 net neutrality order and restoring the classification of broadband Internet access service as a lightly-regulated information service.

Cyber Security was also discussed this month. Bitcoin price plunges after [South Korean Cryptocurrency exchange Conrail was compromised](#); there were [reports](#) of a sophisticated malware dubbed VPNFilter infecting over 700,000 routers in at least 54 countries since 2016; Dixons Carphone, one of Europe's largest electrical retailers, [acknowledged](#) that 5.9 million payment cards have been compromised; a [Facebook bug was reported to have set 14 million users private posts to public](#).

The growing trend of governments attempting to regulate the online companies and freedom of speech online continued this month. [Egypt passed a cybercrime law regulating web content and ISP surveillance](#); [Cambodia passed a regulation to monitor news and social media to prevent fake news](#); Tanzanian authorities [ordered all unregistered Tanzanian bloggers and online forums to shut down their platforms](#) Vietnam [approved a new cybersecurity law](#) with implications for data, freedom of expression, privacy, and other rights; Ukraine [proposes](#) to Security Service the right to block websites without a court order; it is [reported](#) that the Tor browser is blocked in Venezuela.

AI and emerging technologies continued to be discussed even this month. [Google outlined their AI principles](#); [Singapore launched AI governance and ethics initiatives](#); Indian Government Think Tank Niti Ayog released a [discussion paper on the National Strategy For Artificial Intelligence](#); at the G7 Summit leaders endorsed a [Common vision for the future of artificial intelligence \(AI\)](#); [IBM presented an artificial intelligence \(AI\) system that can engage in reasoned arguments](#) with humans on complex topics.

In India, in the month of June, to promote access, the Department of Telecom [floated a tender to install 50000 wi-fi hotspots](#) across gram panchayats under the BharatNet program and [allow telcos to make calls over the internet](#); Google [reported](#) to have set up 400 wifi enabled train stations in the country; the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology [sought an explanation from Facebook](#) on the alleged data sharing with device makers; the Karnataka state transport department [issued notice to cab aggregators](#) Ola and Uber for charging time-based fare in violation of rules.

ICANN Updates

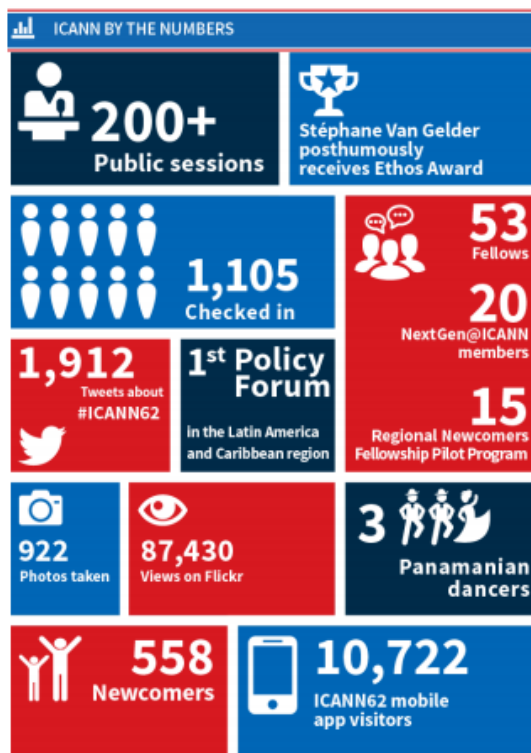
This month, the [German Regional court has decided to revisit the ruling](#) on GDPR/WHOIS, post ICANN's appeal [against the Courts Decision on the same](#). ICANN published the WHOIS Accuracy Reporting System (ARS) Phase 2 Cycle 6 [Report](#); updated gTLD Marketplace [Health Index](#); announced the formal [restart of the Second Review of the Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the Domain Name System \(SSR2\)](#) and [the formation of the Generation Panel to develop root zone Label Generation Rules \(LGR\) for the Myanmar script](#); released the [Final Report](#) of the Nomination Committee review undertaken by the independent examiner has been released; organised webinars on the Pre-ICANN62 Policy and GNSO Policy Briefing.

Further, public comments were invited on the [Open Data Initiative Datasets and Metadata](#), the [Proposed Renewal of .COOP Sponsored Registry Agreement](#); [Draft Proposal of the New Fellowship Program Approach](#) by 27 July, 2018; the [assessment report](#) on the second review of ICANN's Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) by 20 July 2018; proposed Initial Report on the Protections for Certain Red Cross Names in all gTLDs – Policy Amendment Process by 31 July, 2018 and CCWG Accountability WS2 Jurisdiction Subgroup [Draft Recommendation](#) on the Time for Filing rule by 10 August, 2018.

The Public Comment on [Short-term Options to adjust the Timeline for Specific Reviews](#) and [Long-term Options to Adjust the Timeline of Reviews](#) was [extended](#) to 31 July 2018. Besides, there was a call for [Expressions of Interest for 2019 Nominating Committee Chair and Chair-Elect](#) by 2 June, 2018. Comments are invited to the [Draft Community Travel Support Guidelines](#) by 16 July, 2018.

ICANN62 Update

The ICANN62, which is a Policy meeting was held between 25-28 June, 2018 at Panama City. Prior to the meeting, the ICANN Board held [four public sessions and a public Board meeting](#). Some of the highlights of the meeting include:



Pic: ICANN62 By Numbers

- Stéphane Van Gelder being posthumously [awarded](#) the 2018 Multistakeholder Ethos Award

- [Announcement](#) of the locations for the 2020 ICANN Public Meetings: ICANN 67 at Cancun, Mexico, ICANN 68 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and ICANN 69 at Hamburg, Germany.
- The Latin American and Caribbean Country Code Top-Level Domain Association (LACTLD) celebrating its 20th anniversary.
- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) was a much discussed topic at the meeting along with access to WHOIS data, including the Unified Access Model and the proposed Expedited Development Process (EPDP) and coordination arrangements.
- Being a Policy meeting there were various Cross Community Working Group (CCWG) sessions, including the CCWG-Accountability WS2 [Face to Face Plenary](#) to discuss in the WS2 Final report; Cross-Community Session on Geographic Names at the Top-Level.
- Some of the other sessions of interest included GNSO subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group Face-to-Face session; High Interest Sessions such as Community Input to GNSO Expedited PDP Charter Development and RDS-WHOIS2 Review; Retirement of ccTLDs PDP; The Proposed Governance Model for DNS Root Server System; At-Large Review Implementation and Next Steps; ICANN's Strategic Outlook Initiative
- The GAC Communiqué for ICANN62 meeting is can be viewed [here](#).

Internet Society Updates

In the month of June, Internet Society announced the selection of [Andrew Sullivan as New President & CEO](#) with effect from 1 September, 2018; added a new chartered chapter in the Republic of Madagascar, Africa region. Madagascar; The Internet Society Board of Trustees organised an [Open Board](#) Forum; [announced](#) a working relation with [Consumers International](#). At ICANN62, ISOC organised a community lunch on 26 June, to discuss on the impact of national laws on the Global Internet and ISOC@ICANN networking reception 27 June, 2018.

Applications were invited for moderators for the online courses "[Building Community Wireless Networks](#)" and "[Shaping the Internet - History & Futures](#)" by 1 July, 2018; 2018 Chapter Admin funds by 30 June 2018; [Chapterthon 2018](#), where the topic is Internet of Things (IoT)- The future is ours to shape, by 10 August, 2018. A Chapterthon 2018 - [Info Session](#)" was also organised on 28 June, 2018. Further, community inputs are being sought for the 2018 Global Report focusing on [Consolidation in the Internet Economy](#).

APAC News:

The APAC Regional Bureaus signed an [MoU](#) with APNIC to work on Routing security and MANRS in Asia Pacific; released the [annual snapshot of activities and initiatives organised in 2017](#); conducted the annual APAC [Regional Policy Survey 2018](#) with a focus on IoT security till 30 June, 2018; organised the Chapters Quarterly Meeting ; participated in the 15th APT Telecommunication/ICT Development Forum (ADF-15) in Colombo, Sri Lanka

Delhi Chapter Update:

- Internet Society Delhi Chapter organised an **interactive meeting with ICANN Sr. Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, David Conrad** on 5 June, 2018. Being an interactive session, the ICANN CTO, spoke on topics which include: KSK Rollover; scaling up of mirror servers in a country / region with the increasing Internet users; Resolution of domain names; Security of domain names; Root Zone DNSSEC. This was followed by a Q&A session.
- Internet Society [shines the light](#) on the **online collaborative initiative** of Delhi Chapter on the 1st Global Editathon "Girls in ICT" organised by Women Special Interest Group and supported by the [Wikimedia Foundation](#).

APNIC Highlights

This month APNIC signed an [MoU](#) with Internet Society to work on Routing security and MANRS in Asia Pacific; supported the [launch of the CERT in Vanuatu](#); participated in ICANN62 held in Panama; Bhutan NOG ([btNOG5](#)) held in Thimpu, Bhutan; [PACNOG 22](#) held in Honiara, Solomon Islands; updated on the participation in the [fifth Open Policy Meeting \(OPM\)](#) of [The Indian Registry for Internet Names and Numbers](#) (IRINN); announced the names of the [APNIC 46 fellows](#); sought community inputs till 2 July, 2018 on the [2018 APNIC Survey](#), which available in several languages.

There is a [call for Policy SIG proposals](#) for APNIC 46 till 3 August, 2018. Nominations now open for [2018 Number Resource Organization Number Council \(NRO NC\) election](#) as the term of Brajesh Jain will end on 31 December 2018. Last date to apply is 8 August 2018.

Upcoming events:

- [Registration is now open](#) for APNIC 46 to be held in Noumea, New Caledonia from 6-13 September, 2018

TRAI Updates

In the month of June TRAI signed a [Memorandum of Understanding](#) (MoU) with Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC). BEREC and TRAI have also adopted a [Joint Statement for an Open Internet](#).

Further TRAI released the [Telecom subscription data as of April 2018](#) and [the Indian Telecom Services Performance Indicator Report for the Quarter ending March, 2018](#); recommendations on [Next Generation Public Protection and Disaster Relief \(PPDR\) communication networks](#); responded back to [Department of Telecom \(DoT\)'s back-reference on Recommendations on 'In-Flight Connectivity'](#) dated 18th January 2018, and [DoT's Back Reference dated 19th April, 2018 on Sale-rent of International Roaming SIM cards-Global Calling Cards in India](#); issued [direction regarding submission of periodical reports on revenue & usage and tariff plans](#); conducted an [open house discussion\(OHD\)](#) on the consultation paper on [review of mobile number portability \(MNP\) process](#) on 11 June, 2018 at New Delhi; announced a [Name and Logo Design Contest for Public Wi-Fi Network Services](#). Comments have been sought on [the Draft Telecommunication Consumers Education And Protection Fund \(Fourth Amendment\) Regulations, 2018](#) by 10 July, 2018

CCAOI releases Report on Views & Perspectives on Gender Rights Online, For the Global South”

CCAOI release the report on [“Views & Perspectives on Gender Rights Online, For the Global South”](#). The report identifies the main challenges towards improving the gender access and rights online, especially in the Global South countries, including India; highlights the best practices which nations or regions have adopted to overcome those challenges; and suggest policy areas which need reforms.

Some of the policy reforms suggested in the paper to improve gender right online, include: implementation of better and effective policies to improve gender right online; focus in promoting literacy, ICT skills and Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) studies amongst women and encouraging digital literacy; policy reforms for ensuring gender inclusive access to the internet; building trust online, including better legislation and enforcement of laws against online harassment; economic incentives to encourage diversity in

the workforce; encouraging more engagement amongst women networks and promoting content in local language.

Other Updates

Reports & Articles:

- The Internet Society has released the [‘State of IPv6 Deployment 2018’ report](#), which looks at the progress made in the deployment of Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) across countries, networks, and service providers around the world.
- The Special Rapporteur’s 2017 report to the United Nations Human Rights Council is now [available](#).
- A [joint study conducted by ASSOCHAM-Resurgent](#) estimates that in 2018, over 120 million Indians are expected to shop online, clocking an annual growth of 115 per cent.
- An article by [Geoff Huston](#) [“Looking back at the Internet’s past decade”](#).

Events:

- The European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG) 2018 was organised between 5 – 6 June, in Tbilisi, Georgia. The [discussion](#) at the meeting included the multistakeholder model, Internet access, and emerging technologies.
- The [44 G7 Summit](#) was held in Charlevoix, Canada between 8–9 June, 2018
- [38 session](#) of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) was held from 18 June – 6 July 2018, at the Palais des Nations, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Other Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Events:

- The sixth [Africa DNS Forum](#) will be held between 3-5 July, 2018 in Cotonou, Benin. The theme this year is “Building a Sustainable Domain Name Industry in Africa”.
- The [French Internet Governance Forum](#) is taking place on July 5th, in Paris at Université Paris Descartes.
- The APAC Space web conference on [Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data](#) is being planned for 17 July 2018 at 11:00 (SGT) / 03:00 (UTC).
- The [second Open Consultations and Multistakeholder Advisory Group \(MAG\) meeting for IGF 2018](#) preparatory cycle will be held from 11–13 July 2018 at the United Nations Office in Geneva, Switzerland.
- The Internet Engineering Task Force ([IETF](#)) [102](#) meeting will be held on 14–20 July 2018, in Montreal, Canada.
- [SANOG 32](#) will be held in Dhaka, Bangladesh between 2-10 August, 2018
- 5th edition of the Middle East and Adjoining Countries School on Internet Governance (MEAC-SIG) will take place in Cairo, Egypt on 5-9 August 2018.
- [APrIGF 2018](#) will be held in Port Vila, Vanuatu between 13-16 August, 2018.
- 1st INNOG (Indian Network Operator Group) is scheduled from 27th -30th August 2018 in New Delhi.
- Third Edition of [India School of Internet Governance \(inSIG 2018\)](#) will be held between 13-15 October, 2018 in India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, India.
- ICANN63 Annual general Meeting will be held in Barcelona, Spain from 20-25 October
- [ITU Plenipotentiary Conference \(PP-18\)](#) between 29 October-16 November, 2018 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Opportunities:

- The Internet Society is inviting applications for the [2018 Ambassadors to the Internet Governance Forum \(IGF\)](#). Last date to submit application is 22 July, 2018
- The Internet Society is inviting applications for its [Fellowship to the Internet Engineering Task Force \(IETF\)103](#) to be held in Bangkok, Thailand. Last date to submit application is 22 July, 201
- The Internet Society is inviting applications for the [2018 Youth@IGF program](#). Last date to submit application is 22 July, 2018

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