



# **External Relations Update**

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## **Expanding Our Regional Presence**

- Taking our lead from feedback in the 2013
  Stakeholder Survey:
  - More local engagement meetings, member events
  - More engagement with (non-EU) governments
  - Staff based outside the Amsterdam office
  - More non-English language support
- Since 2013, we've been adding staff in the Middle East (Dubai) and the Russian speaking region (Moscow)
  - Balance of technical and policy/public sector expertise





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searching...

• Dubai office officially opened in March 2014



#### ER Goals...

- Establishing RIPE NCC as accountable and authoritative
  - A centre for technical expertise
  - Ensuring that RIPE NCC & RIPE community input is heard
  - Broad support for community-driven, bottom-up open and inclusive structures and processes
  - Increase the trust of all Internet stakeholders throughout our service region and beyond



Failing to engage with all members

Regional needs not being accommodated

 Take over of the bottom-up, open and inclusive policy making processes (eg. ITU)

Gov't making poor public policies



### Engagement

- Building better communication and understanding with pro-ITU governments in the Arab and Russian speaking region
- Responding to the needs of all regional stakeholders
- Positive responses to our local presence from AE, EG, JO, KW, KZ, LB, OM, QA, RU, SA
- RIPE NCC a recognised and respected organisation in Internet governance environment
- Measurement & reporting



- RIPE NCC Roundtable Meeting, Brussels, 19 Feb.
  2014
  - 60+ public sector attendees (biggest meeting yet!)
  - More governments consulting RIPE NCC for technical expertise
  - Increased interaction with Inter-gov. organisations
- NETmundial meeting held in São Paulo, Brazil, 23-24
  April 2014
  - Produced "NETmundial Multistakeholder Statement"
  - Reflected and endorsed bottom-up, open and inclusive processes



- U.S. Government intends to transition out of IANA function oversight role
  - Global discussion to develop an alternative arrangement
- RIPE (and RIPE NCC) key IANA stakeholders
  - RIPE discussion will take place in the Cooperation WG
  - Thursday, 11:00am session in the Side room
    - ...and on the mailing list!
- What is IANA oversight?
- What role for RIPE?
- How will we contribute to the global discussion?





