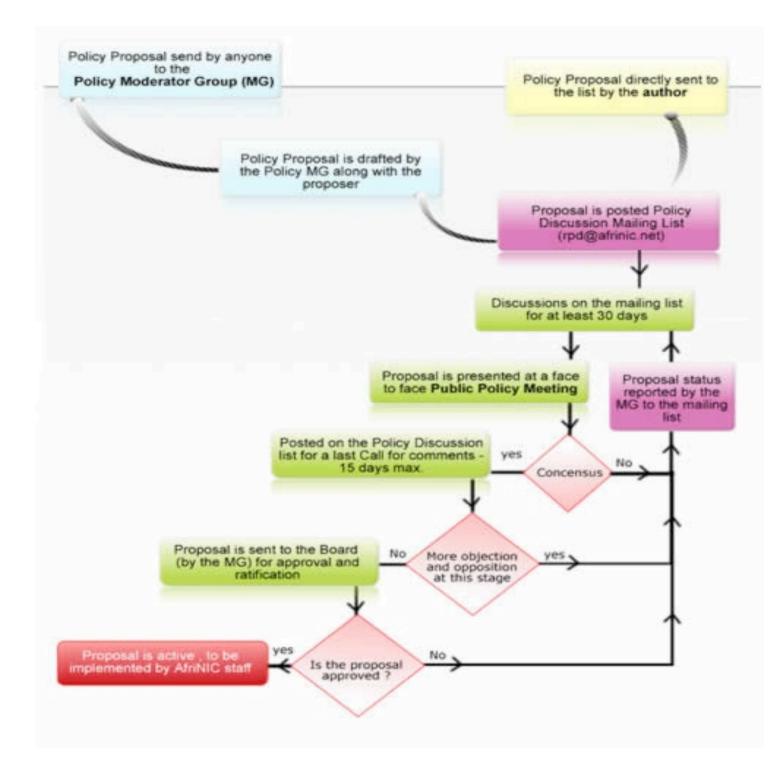# New PDP and PDP-MG

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Outline

- Recap of New PDP
- PDP-MG Terms of Reference

Policy Proposal send by anyone to the **Policy Moderator Group (MG)**

Policy Proposal directly sent to the list by the **author**

Policy Proposal is drafted by the Policy MG along with the proposer

Proposal is posted Policy Discussion Mailing List (rpd@afrinic.net)

Discussions on the mailing list for at least 30 days

Proposal is presented at a face to face **Public Policy Meeting**

Proposal status reported by the MG to the mailing list

Posted on the Policy Discussion list for a last Call for comments - 15 days max.

Concensus — yes / No

Proposal is sent to the Board (by the MG) for approval and ratification

More objection and opposition at this stage — No / yes

Proposal is active , to be implemented by AfriNIC staff

Is the proposal approved ? — yes / No

New PDP

- Recap
  - accepted by community during AfriNIC-7
  - ratified on 27th February 2008
  - interim PDP-MG appointed by AfriNIC Board on 20th March 2008 (mandate ends 30th June 2008)
  - developed Elections Procedure and ToR

PDP-MG

Functions and Elections Procedure

PDP-MG..

- About the PDP-MG:
  - co-chairs of the Moderator Group shall not be part of AfriNIC's staff
  - it's an Honorary position
  - elected at a Public Policy Meeting
  - must be a member of AfriNIC OR be nominated by a member of AfriNIC and belong to a country from the AfriNIC's service area
  - shall hold the position for either one, two or three years
  - may run for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms
  - shall hold a meeting (face-to-face or online) at least once before every public policy meeting.

..PDP-MG

- Terms of Reference (ToR) of PDP-MG:
  - conduct the discussions at the Public Forum
  - conduct discussions at the Resource Policy Discuss List and the Policy Development Process in general in conjunction with AfriNIC staff
  - evaluate and suggest consensus in policy discussions
  - suggest the finalization of the discussion on a specific subject at the Resource Policy Discuss List
  - summon the creation of Working Groups on the Resource Policy Discuss List

Elections Procedure..

- Compliance with AfriNIC By-laws:
  - In accordance with **AfriNIC bylaws**
  - as a result of the **AfriNIC Board resolution**
- Procedure
  - Call for Volunteers
  - Call for Nominations
  - Election Process

..Elections Procedure..

- **Call for Volunteers**
  - A "Call for Volunteers" to sit on the elections committee (EC) shall be made **two (2) months** prior to the retirement of either of the PDP MG co-chairs.
  - current AfriNIC "Elections Committee members" election procedure shall be followed.
  - AfriNIC to announce the EC members two (2) weeks after the "Call for Volunteers"

..Elections Procedure..

- **Call for Nominations**
  - "Calling for Candidates" made **one (1) week** after the Announcement of the EC members.

- **Nomination Conditions:**
  - be an AfriNIC member or nominated by an AfriNIC member and belong to a country from the AfriNIC service area
  - a person may only nominate one person
  - AfriNIC staff cannot nominate candidates nor be nominated
  - Self nominations allowed
  - 2 weeks nominations period
  - candidates names will be published in AfriNIC web site

..Elections Procedure..

- How to Nominate

  Send an email to mgcn@afrinic.net with:

  a. Information on Nominee (if self indicate so)
     - Nominee (Full Name)
     - Organization name (or Affiliation)
     - Position
     - E-mail
     - Postal/Physical address
     - Phone number
     - Country of residence
     - Biographical information
  b. Information of the Nominator
     - Motivation for nomination
     - Nominator's Name
     - Organization
     - E-mail address

..Elections Procedure..

- **Seconding a Candidate**
  - done within **two (2) weeks** after the "call for nominations
  - only candidates who are seconded by at least **one (1)** person can run for the election

- **How to Second a Candidate**

  Send an email to **mgns@afrinic.net** with:
  - Nominee's name
  - Name of supporting individual
  - Organization
  - E-mail address

..Elections Procedure..

- **Review and Announcement of Nominations**
  - EC will review and announce qualified candidates within **one (1) week** after the closure of nominations and seconding of candidates
  - names of candidates who qualify will be published in AfriNIC‚s web site and sent to the RPD mailing list

..Elections Procedure..

- **Election of the Co-chairs**
  - to be held **within** two (2) months after the call for candidates during an AfriNIC Public Policy meeting
  - casting of votes through a ballot paper containing a list of the candidates names
- **Voting Conditions:**
  - have registered for the meeting and are from countries within AfriNIC service area
  - NOT an AfriNIC staff member
  - voters may mark one (1) candidate in the ballot paper (multiple mark invalidate ballot)
  - vote will be anonymous

..Elections Procedure..

- **Voting Results**
  - the person who has obtained the largest number of votes will be proclaimed co-chair of the AfriNIC Moderator Group for a period of 3 years. The other two co-chairs for a two (2) and three (3) year term will be the first(2 year term) and second runners-up(1 year term) respectively
  - in the case the vote is tied for any of the first three positions, then it will be cast again. Only the candidates who tied will participate on this second round of voting until either one of the candidates gets more votes

Q&A/Open Session