

AfTLD Update

Africa Internet Summit

Lusaka Zambia

09-21 June , 2013

**Africa Top Level Domains
Organization**

Home of Africa National TLDS

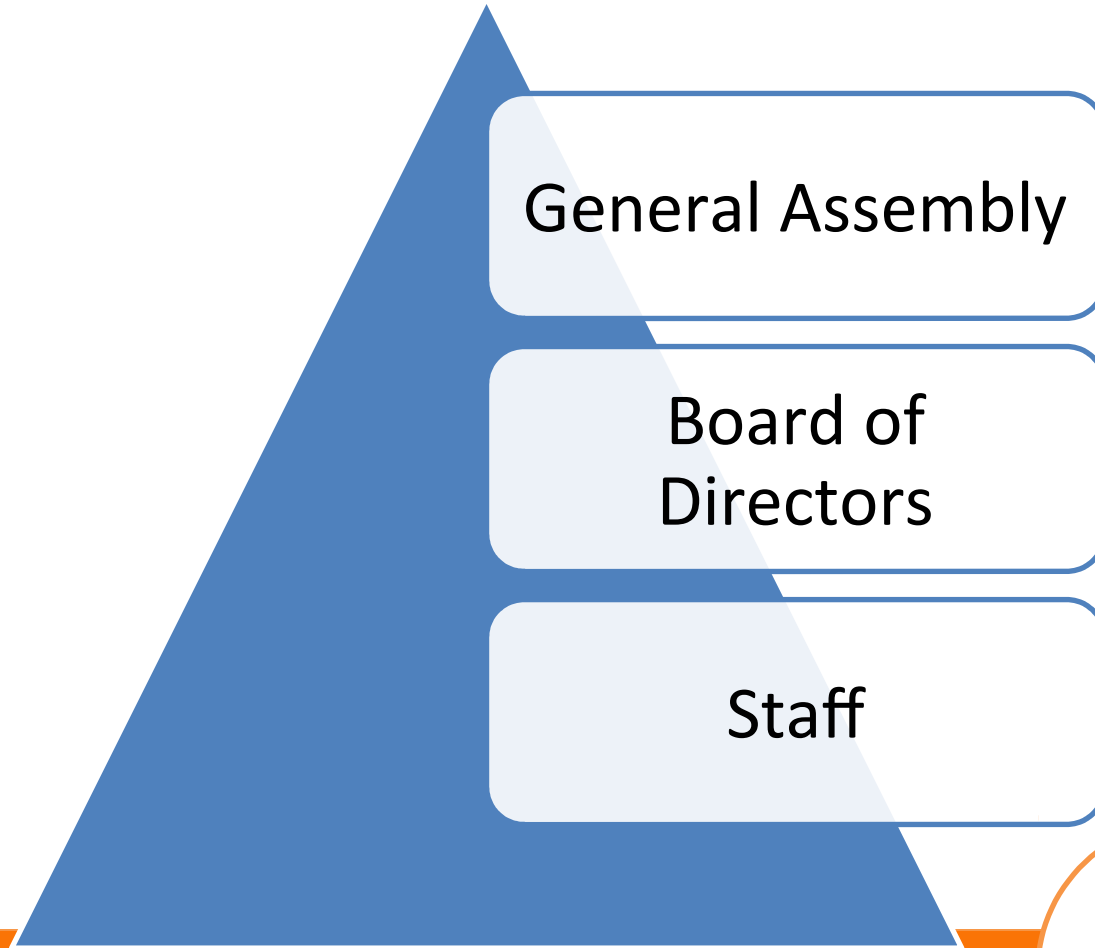


Who Are We?

- AfTLD acts as a focal point for African TLDs on policy, management and development
- Issues that affect TLDs globally, ccTLDs in particular
- present their group position as one voice.
- registered company
- recognized by ICANN as TLD regional organization representing Africa



Structure

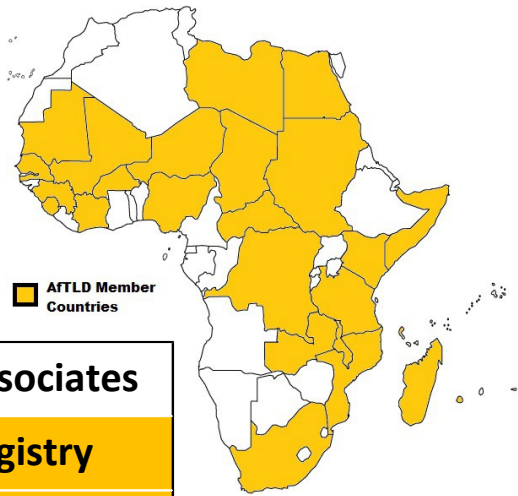


Board & Staff

Name	Position	ccTLD
Paulos Nyirenda (Dr.)	Chairman	.MW
Souleyman Oumtanaga	Vice Chairman and Director of Capacity Building	.CI
Abibu Ntahigiye	Treasurer	.TZ
Eric Akumiah	Director of Strategic Partnership	.GH
Alioune Traore	Director of Research	.ML
Mary Uduma	Director of Communication	.NG

Name	Position	Country
Barrack Otieno	Administrative Manager	.ke 

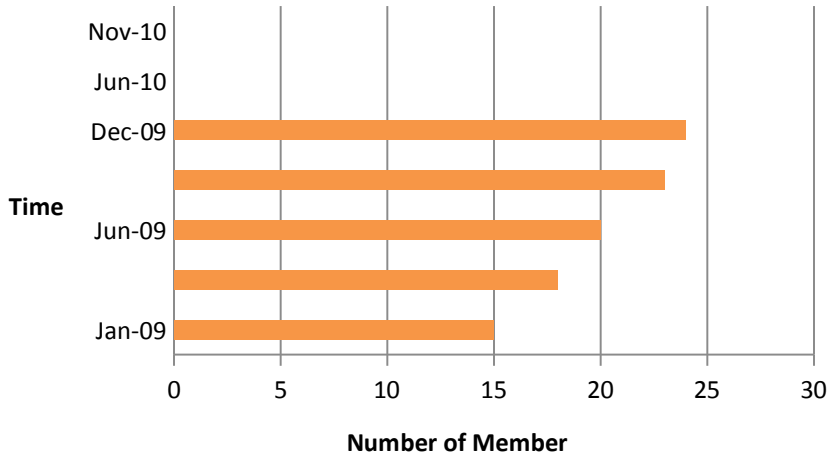




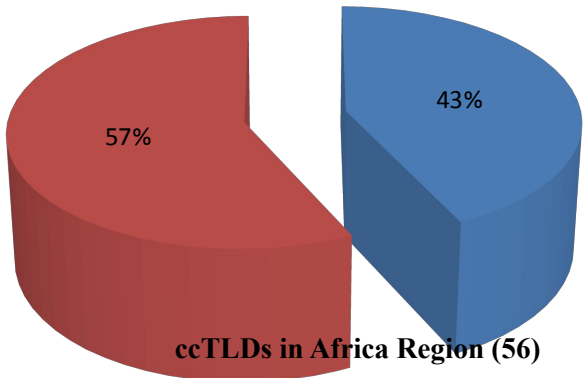
AfTLD Associates	
AusRegistry	
CoCCa	
GLOCOM	Center for Global Communication
Kheweul.com	The African Registrar
WC3 Senegal	
INDOM	The French Registrar
GMO Registry	
DNS (PTY)	

Current Membership

AfTLD Members hip Growth



AfTLD Membership at Nov 2010



Since Nov – 10

.GH  joined as full member

DNS (PTY) Joined as Associate
LexSynergy Joined as an Associate in 2012



Activities

- What we do ...
- Capacity Building & Technical Development
- Technical Workshops (IROC/AROC/SROC)
- Internet Governance & Partnerships
- Internal Participation – Working Groups
- Outreach – Language & Geographic diversity



Partnerships

- MOU with AfriNIC
 - AfriNIC financial management (Control, payments, reporting)
- MOU with AFNIC, French ccTLD
- MOU with Francophonie (per Event basis for support)
- Regional TLD organizations (CENTR, APTLD, LACTLD)
- Support from sponsors/donors
 - ISOC, ICANN, Neustar, NSRC, AfriNIC etc
- Topic-specific collaboration
 - ICANN Regions (Cartagena Accord)
 - IDNs fast-track
 - CENTR – research
- More Planned Strategic Partnerships
 - AAU, AU, NEPAD, ATU, etc



Major Activities in 2012

- 2012 January: Established Secretariat, Nairobi Kenya, KENIC
- 2012 February: Bench Marking visit CENTR, Belgium
- 2012 March, ATU African Digital Economy meeting
- 2012 June, ICANN 44 , Prague Czech Republic
- 2012 July, AFTLD AGM, Livingstone, Zambia
- 2012 August, ICANN Africa Strategy, Mauritius
- 2012 October, ICANN 44, Toronto, Canada
- 2012 November, AROC, Khartoum, Sudan



Planned & 2013 Highlights

- 2013 March**, ICANN Africa Multi Stakeholder Internet Governance-Works (MIG) workshop Addis Ababa Ethiopia
- 2013 April**, ICANN 46 Beijing China – .africa MoU
- 2013 May**, Advanced Registry Operators Course, AROC, Nigeria
- 2013 June**, Africa Internet Summit Lusaka Zambia
- 2013 July 12–14**, Africa DNS Durban South Africa /ISOC/ICANN
- 2013 July 14–18**, 47th ICANN Meeting Durban South Africa
- 2013 July 17** – ICANN CEO and RTLDOs roundtable - Durban
- 2013 October 1-5**, Secure Registry Operators Course, SROC, Antananarivo Madagascar



Projects

- New Website implementation - launced March 2013
- Membership Drive – ongoing
- African Country Code Top Level Domain (ccTLD) Assessment Study Project – with ISOC / ICANN
- DNSSEC Capacity Building [Project](#) in Africa (ICANN/ISOC)
- Africa DNS Forum – with ISOC / ICANN
- You are all invited to participate in these initiatives
- We have a number of participation forums:



E-mail lists

No.	List Address	Target	Status	Public (mode) Participation
1.	AfTLD -Discuss	AfTLD, ccTLDs, stakeholders , Registrars, community	Active	Open
2.	AfTLD-GA	General Assembly of AfTLD	Active	Closed
3.	AfTLD-Members	Full members, Associate members of AfTLD	Active	Closed
4.	AfccTLD-Managers	African ccTLD managers	Active	Closed
5.	Excom	AfTLD Board of Directors	Active	Closed
6.	Advisory	AfTLD Advisors, ccTLDs, Registrars	Active	Closed



Working Groups

No.	List Address	Target	Status	Public Participation
1.	Technical -WG	Technical Working group members	Active	Closed
2.	Research-WG	Research Working group members	Active	Closed
3.	Strategy-WG	Working group members	Active	Closed

Working Groups



5 year Strategic Plan: Challenges

- Many African ccTLDs are not yet sustainable
- ccTLDs not fully automated – registry – DNS
- Some operated from Outside – Mali moved out
- Still no gTLD on African soil
- Only 5 ICANN recognized registrars in Africa
- Lowest domain name penetration
- Difficult payment systems – few online



5-Year Strategic Plan

To assist ccTLD in Africa region to be fully operational in a highly sustainable manner

Technical

Policy

Legal

Business

Best Practice

Fully Automated

Skill Optimization

Branding

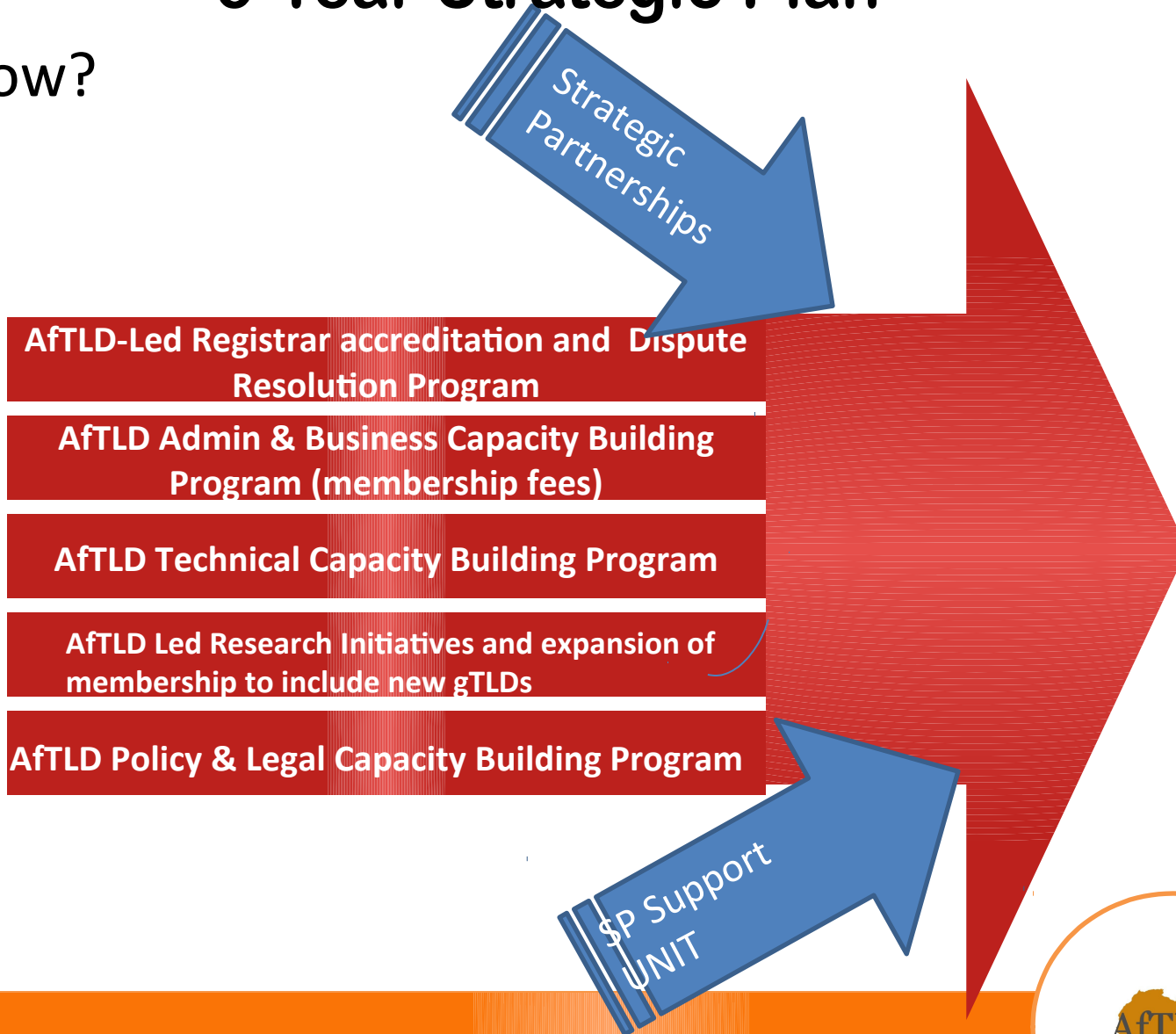
AfTLD Led-
DRP/Registrar
Accreditation

Operational Excellence



5-Year Strategic Plan

How?



Thank You

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