


Role of NOGs In National Development

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Agenda

- What are NOGs
 - Background to formation of NOGs
 - Other existing NOGs
 - Role of NOGs in National Development
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What are NOGs

- A NOG is an educational and operational forum for the coordination and dissemination of technical information related to backbone/enterprise networking technologies and operational practices.

What are NOGs

- NOG meetings provide a forum:
 - for the exchange of technical information.
 - to promote discussion of technical implementation issues that require community cooperation especially among network service providers.
- Forum includes ISPs, NSPs, RENs, Govt's etc
- The bulk of RIRs membership
- Format is usually workshops, tutorials & presentations@meetings

Background

- ISOCs INET workshops and meetings aimed and building capacity (1993-2000).
 - Organized annually in a selected country at great cost.
 - Limited per country participation as all countries of the world were entitled to send delegates.
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Background

- Communities around the world were encouraged to setup NOGs to:
 - accelerate the rate of capacity building
 - reduce cost of travel and participation
- This gave rise to regional NOG workshops such as NANOG and AfNOG

Other Existing NOGs

- African Network Operators Group (AfNOG)
 - North American Network Operators Group (NANOG)
 - South Asian Network Operators Group (SANOG)
 - Nigerian Network Operators Group (ngNOG)
 - East African Network Operators Group (EANOG)
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Role of NOGs in National Development

- Accelerate capacity building efforts within the community.
- Assist in ensuring adherence to operational standards and best practices.
- Ensure QoS provided to end users.
- Ensure technical cooperation and coordination amongst network operators.
- Available to advise Gov't on ICT related issues

