Three of the world’s Internet technical coordination organisations invite you to learn more about the wide range of development and capacity building initiatives driven by the Internet technical community.

The sessions will take place over three days in the Onyx Pearl and Emerald Room on the first floor of the Novotel Hotel, attached to the Dubai World Trade Centre (see over for map).

A free buffet lunch will be served at each of the events.

**Wednesday, 2 April, 13:00 - 14:15: The Internet Society: Development Through Interconnection**
The Internet Society’s mission is to achieve a world in which everyone everywhere is connected to an open and universally accessible Internet. The Internet Society has been working hand-in-hand with technical experts, the African Union, the RIRs, and local authorities to build out Internet Exchange Points in Africa, build human technical capacity and skills, and strengthen communities of interest to sustain them. This lunch will allow us an opportunity to exchange ideas with colleagues and share information about our work in the area of interconnection and traffic exchange.

**Thursday, 3 April, 12:45 - 14:15: The Regional Internet Registries: Supporting Community Development**
The five Regional Internet Registries play a key role in the development of their diverse membership communities to ensure the stable operation of the Internet. Capacity building, community engagement and development of best practices are all areas in which the five RIRs work closely with their respective communities. This lunch will showcase some examples of RIR efforts in these areas from around the world.

**Sunday, 6 April, 12:45 - 14:15: ICANN: The New gTLD Programme: Opportunities and Innovation**
ICANN, in its role as a steward of the Domain Name System (DNS) has been involved in the introduction of new generic Top Level Domains (gTLDs) into the root of the Internet. During the lunch an update on the Programme will be given along with examples as to how diverse and non-Latin speaking Communities will use the new Names to foster innovation and consumer choice.
MAP OF DUBAI WORLD TRADE CENTRE

Internet Organization
Informational Lunches

Onyx Pearl and Emerald Room
1st Floor  Novotel Hotel Business Centre

Approx. 5 minutes walk

WTDC meeting rooms

Novotel Hotel
IBIS hotel