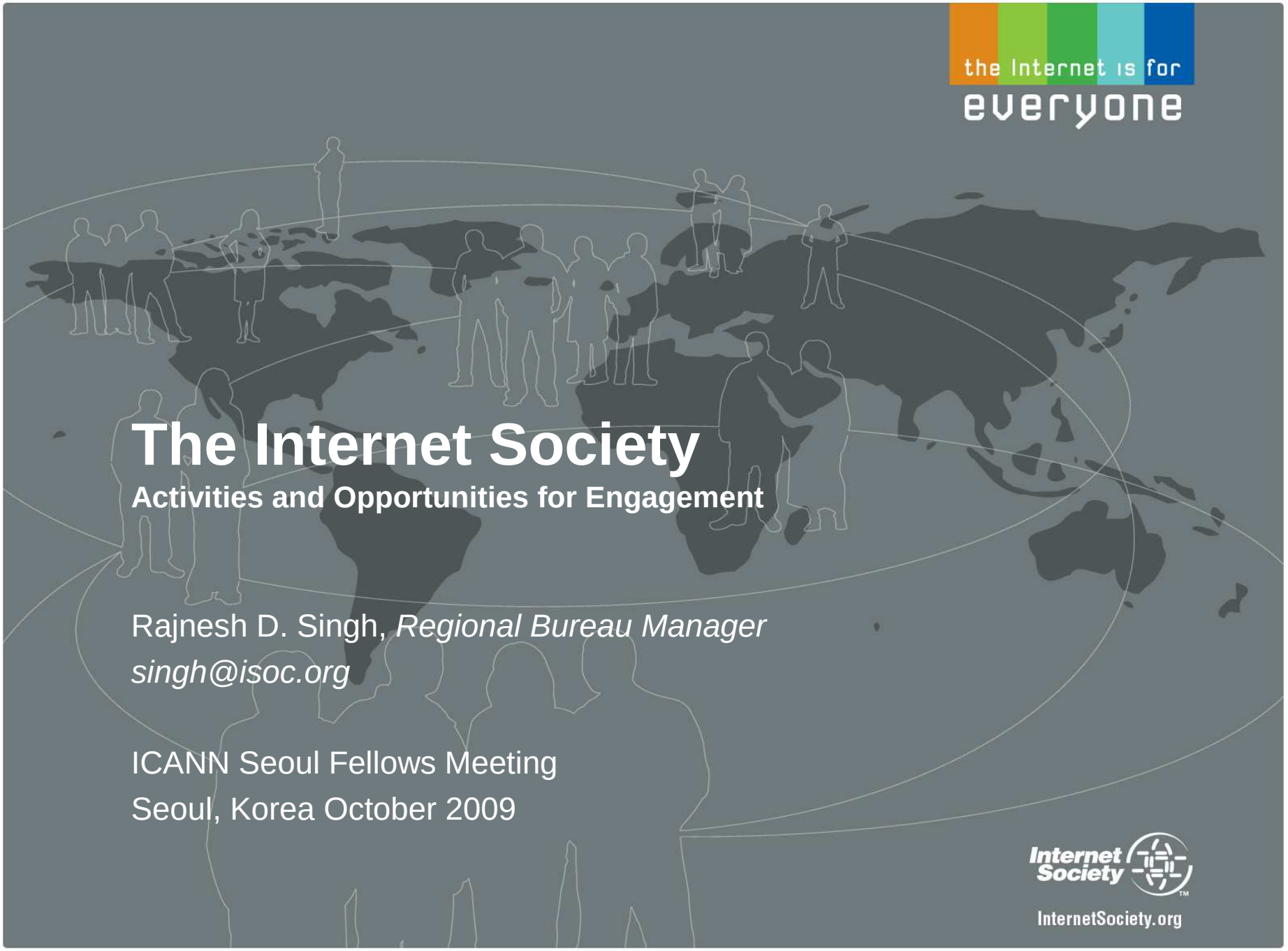

The Internet Society

Activities and Opportunities for Engagement

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About ISOC

- Founded in 1992 by Internet pioneers
- Dedicated to ensuring the *open development*, *evolution* and *use* of the Internet for the benefit of people throughout the world

- International not-for-profit organisation
  - Offices located in *Washington* and *Geneva*
  - Regional Bureaus

    Africa, *Asia*, *Latin America*
  - 90+ Organisational Members
  - 26,000+ Individual Members
  - 80+ Chapters worldwide

ISOC Programs

- Trust and Future of the Internet
- User Centric Internet
- Internet Governance leadership
- Internet Policy
  - ***Preserving the ability to connect, speak, innovate, share, choose and trust***
- Regional Policy Advisory Groups
- Interconnectivity and Standards Development
  - ***IETF, IESG, IAB***
- ISOC Fellowships: *IGF, IETF, Chapter Fellowships*
- Membership and Chapter Development
- ccTLD/Technical workshops
- Conferences and Events: *INETs, NDSS*
- Publications and Orientation/briefing Papers

ISOC Chapters in Asia Pacific

- ***South Asia***
  - Bangladesh
  - India - New Delhi
  - India - Chennai (Madras)
  - India - Kolkata
  - Nepal
  - Pakistan
- ***Southeast Asia***
  - Cambodia
  - Philippines
  - Thailand
- ***East Asia and Pacific***
  - Hong Kong
  - Japan
  - Korea - Republic of (South)
  - Taiwan
  - Australia
  - Pacific Islands

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ISOC Initiatives (2008-2010)

Enabling Access

- Technical Capacity Building
- Policy, Regulation, and the Access Environment
- Enabling Access for Under-served Communities

InterNetWorks

- Global Addressing
- Common Internet
- Security & Stability

Trust and Identity

- Architecture and Trust
- Current Problems/Solutions and Trust
- Identity and Trust

Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)

Internet standards development

- "RFC": Request for Comments
- Meets three times per year
- No formal membership
- Working Groups
- Most work done online: mailing lists
- Technically inclined?

Consider joining mailing lists on DNS, IPv6, Security, SIP/VoIP, etc.

- ISOC is the organisational home for IETF
- Website: http://www.ietf.org
- IETF Journal: http://www.isoc.org/ietfjournal/

Technical Capacity Building

An ISOC activity since 1993

- Work with Internet community to develop and deliver educational programmes
- Support knowledge-sharing and capacity building, particularly for developing countries
- Early work by ISOC and others resulted in regional conferences, network operator groups
- ISOC continues support of “NOGs”: *AfNOG, MENOG, PacNOG, SANOG, WALC,...*
- Through collaborative efforts 500+ people per year receive network training
- Some current focus areas: *IXPs and Root Servers*

ccTLD Workshops

An ISOC activity since 2004

- Organised in partnership with Network Startup Resource Centre (NSRC) http://www.nsrc.org/
- *Objective:* to provide knowledge and skills ccTLD operators need to build/maintain high quality infrastructure and services
- Conducted as hands-on clinics in computer lab environment
- ISOC/NSRC maintain global ccNOG mailing list for past workshop participants/ccTLD managers to discuss technical issues http://ws.edu.isoc.org/mailing/instructors.php
- Advanced curriculum being developed and trialled

ISOC Workshop Resource Centre

Repository for sharing training materials, planning tools, trainer tools

http://ws.edu.isoc.org/

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INETs

An ISOC activity since 1994

- Regional focus from 2009
- Agenda tailored to local needs:

  policy, capacity building, technical issues
- Multi-stakeholder event
- *So far this year:*

  INET Cairo, May
  INET Panama, May
  INET Kuala Lumpur, July
  INET Delhi, September
  INET Buenos Aires, October

http://www.isoc.org/isoc/conferences/inet/

Engaging with ISOC

Possible through many ways!

Join as an individual member

Membership free in *"Global Member"* category

http://www.isoc.org/join/

Join an ISOC Chapter near you (or help start one!)

http://www.isoc.org/isoc/chapters/

Join as an organisational member

http://www.isoc.org/orgs/

Join an IETF Working Group

http://www.ietf.org/html.charters/wg-dir.html

Apply for a fellowship to attend an IETF meeting

http://www.isoc.org/educpillar/fellowship/

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Engaging with ISOC (con't)

Apply to be an ISOC IGF Ambassador
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Attend an Internet event/conference
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