

Press Release

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Press Release: Tunisia to Host the 29th AFRINIC Policy Meeting

Ebene, Mauritius, 19th **November 2018** – From the 26th-30th November 2018, hundreds of key players in the African and Global Internet industry sector will be taking part in the 29th Public Policy Meeting of the African Network Information Center (AFRINIC). Dubbed AFRINIC 29, the event will take place at The Medina Conference and Expo Center, Yasmine, Hammamet. AFRINIC 29 is hosted by AFRINIC in collaboration with the Tunisian Internet Agency (ATI) under the patronage of the Ministry of Technology and Digital Economy.

AFRINIC 29 will be graced by H.E Dr. Anouar Maârouf, Minister for Communication Technologies and Digital Economy, during the Opening Ceremony on **Tuesday 27th November 2018** at **9.00 am**.

The event which is held annually consists of keynote speeches, policy discussions, seminars, workshops, tutorials and other forums for sharing ICT knowledge within the African region. The 2017 edition was held in Lagos and was attended by over 200 delegates from 34 countries around the world.

AFRINIC 29 will provide a platform for technocrats to discuss policies, trends, resources and challenges in growing Internet for sustainable development in Africa and the Indian Ocean Region. The meeting is expected to create a deeper awareness across the continent of the urgent need to deploy IPv6 and why the future of the internet depends on this deployment.

AFRINIC 29 will provide an opportunity for a multi-stakeholder dialogue between governments, regulators, network operators and Internet users calling them to action to harness the power of the Internet to improve Africa's education, business and social development sectors. Delegates will develop a greater understanding of why Internet numbering policy in Africa remains a top priority for Internet development, at the end, develop strategies aimed at overcoming the current barriers to Internet access and to connect the unconnected.

More on AFRINIC 29 is available on the meeting website http://bit.ly/AFRINIC-29.

About AFRINIC 29

The event dubbed AFRINIC 29 will be a platform for technocrats and business to discuss policies, trends, resources and challenges in growing Internet for sustainable development in Africa and the Indian Ocean Region. It is being hosted by AFRINIC in collaboration with the Tunisian Internet Agency (ATI) under the patronage of the Ministry of Technology and Digital economy. The event which is held annually consists of keynote speeches, policy discussions, seminars, workshops, tutorials and other forums for sharing ICT knowledge within the African region. Please read the event concept note at http://bit.ly/AFRINIC-29. Registration for the event is ongoing through the meeting website http://bit.ly/AFRINIC-29.

About AFRINIC

AFRINIC is the Regional Internet Registry for Africa headquartered in Ebene, Mauritius. It is responsible for the distribution and management of Internet number resources (IP address space and Autonomous System Numbers) in Africa and the Indian Ocean region. AFRINIC ensures equitable and efficient distribution of Internet number resources to the African Internet community to support Internet technology usage and development across the continent. More on AFRINIC can be found at www.afrinic.net.

We hope to receive your media personnel at least half an hour prior to the event. In this light, we are expecting your reply as soon as possible in order to make plans for the forthcoming event.

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