

AfNOG-11 and AfriNIC-12: Meetings 23 May-4 June, 2010

The African Network Operators' Group (AfNOG) and the African Network Information Centre (AfriNIC) are pleased to announce that the 11th AfNOG Meeting and the AfriNIC-12 Meeting would be held in Kigali, Rwanda during May & June 2010.

About the Entire Event

AfNOG and AfriNIC are jointly organizing a two-week event that includes the AfNOG Workshop on Network Technology (offering advanced training in a week-long hands-on workshop), several full-day Advanced Tutorials, a one-day AfNOG Meeting, and a two-day AfriNIC Meeting.

In addition, several side meetings and workshops will be hosted in collaboration with other organizations.

Timetable

Unix Boot Camp	23 May 2010 (Sunday)
AfNOG Workshop	24 - 28 May 2010 (Monday - Friday)
AfriNIC IPv6 Workshop	29 - 30 May 2010 (Saturday - Sunday)
AfREN Meeting / AAF	29 - 30 May 2010 (Saturday - Sunday)
AfNOG Tutorials	30 - 31 May 2010 (Sunday - Monday)
AfriNIC LIR Workshop	31 May 2010 (Monday)
AfNOG-11 Meeting	1 June 2010 (Tuesday)
AfriNIC-12 Meeting	2- 3 June 2010 (Wednesday - Thursday)
Africa INET Day	4 June 2010 (Friday)

Venue & Hotel

Venue & hotel for the event will be announced shortly.

About AfNOG

AfNOG (See <http://www.afnog.org/>) is a forum for cooperation and the exchange of technical information between operators of Internet-connected networks in Africa. AfNOG has organized an event like this one every year since 2000.

About AfriNIC

AfriNIC (See <http://www.afrinic.net/>) is a Regional Internet Registry (RIR), responsible for Internet Number resources Management in the Africa region. AfriNIC organizes two Public Policy meetings every year (see <http://www.afrinic.net/meeting/>).

AfNOG Workshop on Network Technology

The AfNOG Workshop on Network Technology aims to offer advanced training to people who are in the process of developing and enhancing an Internet-connected network with regional and international connectivity. The target audience includes senior and mid-level technical staff of commercial Internet service providers (ISPs), academic networks, government networks, or NGO networks.

This workshop builds on the experience of previous AfNOG workshops held annually from 2000 to 2009 in ten different African countries, and also the Internet Society's INET workshops, held annually from 1993 to 2000 at eight locations around the world. The workshop's instructors are an international team with many years of experience operating large networks and teaching about network operations.

The workshop is divided into four parallel tracks:

- SA-E - Unix System Administration (in English), focused on using a Unix-like operating system as a platform for delivery of Internet services.
- SS-E - Scalable Internet Services (in English), focused on the design and operation of email, web, and other Internet services, in ways that can scale to handle large numbers of end users.
- SI-E - Scalable Network Infrastructure (in English), focused on the design and operation of networks using routers and switches, in ways that can scale to handle large numbers of interconnected sites.
- SI-F - Infrastructure Reseaux IP (en francais), similar to track SI-E, but given in French.

Workshop application information is available here:

http://www.afnog.org/afnog2010/workshop/online_application_en.html
http://www.afnog.org/afnog2010/workshop/online_application_fr.html

AfREN Meeting

The Africa Research and Education Networking community will be holding a two-day meeting on 29 - 30 May 2010. The meeting will discuss issues of interest to the NREN community such as coordination on activities in the region, advocacy, bandwidth consortia, regional RENs etc.

Additional information about AfREN 2010 will be provided shortly.

AfNOG Tutorials

AfNOG will offer 1 to 2 full-day(s) tutorials on advanced topics.

Tutorials take place in a classroom-style environment, and may include a hands-on practical component. Tutorials are non-commercial in nature, and most are technically oriented. They are intended to offer advanced training on technology already deployed or soon to be deployed on networking and related services provisioning for ISP operations.

Additional information about AfNOG 2010 Tutorials will be available here:

<<http://www.afnog.org/afnog2010/tutorial/>>

11th AfNOG Meeting

The 11th AfNOG meeting will be held in Kigali, Rwanda on 01 June 2010. AfNOG conferences provide a forum for the coordination and dissemination of technical information related to backbone/enterprise networking technologies and operational practices. The meetings are informal, with an emphasis on relevance to current and future African backbone engineering practices. The AfNOG 2009 conference in Cairo, Egypt drew over 150 participants, mainly consisting of network engineering staff from national service providers, and members of the research and education community.

Additional information and the Conference schedule will be available here:
<<http://www.afnog.org/afnog2010/conference/>>

AfriNIC-12 Meeting

The AfriNIC-12 meeting will be held in Kigali, Rwanda for two days from 02-03 June, 2010. AfriNIC Meetings are open to everyone and provide an excellent opportunity to take part in Internet policy discussions. These policies, which describe how Internet Number Resources should be managed and distributed, are developed by the community. The meeting will include tutorials, presentations, update on the various working groups and the AfriNIC Public Policy Meeting. The two day meeting will be preceded by a two-day IPv6 training. The meeting will focus on the IPv6 protocol and its deployment, especially in Africa and the issue of the exhaustion of the IPv4 pool of address space. There will be an opportunity to discuss the challenges which our region will be facing with IPv4 address space exhaustion.

Further information will be available at <<http://www.afrinic.net/meeting/>>.

ISOC - INET Africa Conference

The Internet Society will be organizing an INET Africa Conference on 4th June 2010 in conjunction with the AfriNIC 12 and AfNOG 11 meetings in Kigali, Rwanda. The conference will discuss the situation of Internet Interconnection in Africa, the challenges as well as the solutions, including Internet Exchange Points.

The meeting agenda will be available shortly.

Visa Requirements

Citizens of certain countries require a visa to enter Rwanda. Please check with the Rwandan