



# AFNIC

Association Française pour le Nommege Internet en Coopération

## Management of Top Level Domain: Contribution of the International College of AFNIC

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- AFNIC was created on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, 1998 as a non-for-profit association
- AFNIC took over the activities of NIC France, a department of the National Institute for Research in Computer Science (INRIA)

## **Activities & Assignments**

- Definition and implementation of the naming policy in compliance with the french laws
- Operational management of the DNS service
- Knowledge transfer, training, coordination, information

# Members of the Association

4 categories including public and private sectors

- Founding members
  - Government represented by 3 Ministries: Telecommunications, Industry and Research
  - National Institute for Research in Computer Science (INRIA)
- Internet Service Providers  
about 1000 ISPs including foreign companies
- Internet Users  
french legal entities and individuals
- International College:  
international organizations

**- Any legal entity or physical person can become a member of AFNIC -**

# AFNIC International College

- 30 members including 13 NICs
  - Albania, Algeria, Cameroun, Guinea, Haiti, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Senegal, Tchad, Tunisia
- 1 elected representative and member of the Board of Directors
  - Ahmedou Ould HAOUBA, Dean of the Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Nouakchott, and Director of the Mauritanian NIC
- Partnerships and financial support
  - UNESCO, French Foreign Office, INTIF, ...

# International College actions - 1

- Trainer's training/FFTI : ten trainings since its creation
  - Two levels :
    - FFTI1 for general network management knowledge
    - FFTI2 for advanced notions : IPv6, DNSsec, PKI etc.
  - 3 regional trainings this year : Morocco, Guinea, Mexico
- Generical NIC : technological transfer + one week training to get global technical knowledge of NIC management.
- Interactive tools : CDrom, and online training

# International College actions - 2

- Support to ccTLD management and to administrative procedures to get back ccTLD extension
  - technical support
  - sensibilisation of local authorities
  - creation of a local internet community cooperation

# Conclusion

- Convergence of International College actions and UIT-D.
- Creation of a real co-development with national and international institutions in southern countries.