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INTRODUCTORY NOTE
to the Members of the UTELNET initial evaluation group

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Important note. This MUST not be understood as a support of ITU against ICANN/IETF/NRO in an Internet Governance meaningless debate. INTLNET is a user-centric endeavour and is interested in their coopetitive support to get the best of each of them to the benefit of the SNHN (standalone/small network/home network) operators.

Background

Working in parallel on ITU IPv6 /3 Block, CRC analysis, language defence against commercial dominance, multilingual internet architectural impact, digital ecosystem intergovernance issues, @large representation, etc. show how much they are the various faces of the same and multiple network maturation process. This leads to a simple analysis in three points which are reflected in the attached documents:

1. the Internet has completed its "deployment period" and the world digital system has now to manage a "scalable convergence" where the digital divide is between those who master their name and numbering space and those who cannot, public or private alike.

2. the intergovernance of the mutation called by the WSIS action plan, calls for a coopetition forum where ITU-T Members, ICANN, NRO, users, ad-hoc consortia, services providers, etc. etc. should be able to debate of their structural and economical needs and synergies.

3. this evolution is to be catalysed by a clearly phased open pilot project which will benefit to every concerned parties, capitalise on existing customer bases in being user-centric, accept modular and low level investments, and prevent the occurrence of dominant positions.

Attached documents

The attached documents begin describing the solutions this maturation requires, including the central issue of an IPv6 compatible universal numbering plan for addresses and items, the intro to the UTELNET project. They should be commented and reviewed and probably restructured to for the basis of the INTF/NETIX Network Technical Documentation Series and Sources. They should be completed in the coming weeks by the IETF Draft on Multilingual Internet layer framework, the INTF creation framework and a more extended UNINUM description, with its correlations with UNINAME and UNITAG Extensions Grids.

Initial Evaluation Group

The intent is informally and confidentially to distribute the initial document set for comments to persons interested the support of the project. It is fully understood that tenants of "status quo" will object to the vision they document, but the debate will be all the more productive and conclusive this project may have matured enough to offer the necessary capacity to respond.

It is expected from this initial group a complete review of the documents, their editing and their publication.

Initial Proposition support

The initial practical support will focus on:

- pole structuring: there are several site/working-lists to set-up. This is a priority to establish a good framework.

- test and development system. The line has been ordered. Any assistance offer is welcome. In particular Linux/QNX server voluntary administration and operation support.

- document editing (to structure from Franglish to French/English. English as working language, French as reference language, for QA and double content pertinence editing).

- conservatory participation to some key mailing lists (IETF, ccTLD, Unicode, ITU-I). The target is to contribute with a broader vision and to avoid reducing standards to be adopted by "consensus by exhaustion of ideas", before our ideas have been fully investigated, or to favour some commercial interests. (Members will receive documentation on this)

Constitution of the Bootstraps

It is expected that mails and meetings will permit to evaluate the interest of the proposition in the coming few months and lead to a de-facto co-optation of the members of the different starting groups involved.

SIG/Starting Groups secretariat is assumed by Intlnet which has every capacity to discuss this matter and sponsoring.

Calendar

- Release of the documents   May, 20th, 2005
- ITU-I prepteam and UTELNET evaluation lists   May, 23rd, 2005
- MGN IETF Draft   early June, 2005
- end of initial confidential review   June 30th, 2005
- final review of the documents   Sept, 30th, 2005

To receive a copy of the temporary documents under moral non-disclosure:

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You will become a member of the initial evaluation group if you comment these documents or if you ask by mail. These working lists are moderated (registrations and content).