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IANA Stewardship and Internet Governance

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- What do the words “Internet Governance” mean to you?
- They mean different things to different people and different sectors...

- Internet technical community has been doing “Internet governance” for decades
- Since early 2000s, efforts to engage all Internet stakeholders in governance discussions
 - Business, government, civil society, technical community
- This process has developed via:
 - World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), 2003-2005
 - Internet Governance Forum (IGF), 2006-
 - Increasing engagement across stakeholder lines

- “Multistakeholderism”
 - Open to all
 - Transparent processes
 - Inclusive
 - Bottom-up, community-driven
 - Consensus-based decision-making
- Elements already developed by Internet technical community
 - Suited to the Internet itself, which is borderless and based on global cooperation and coordination

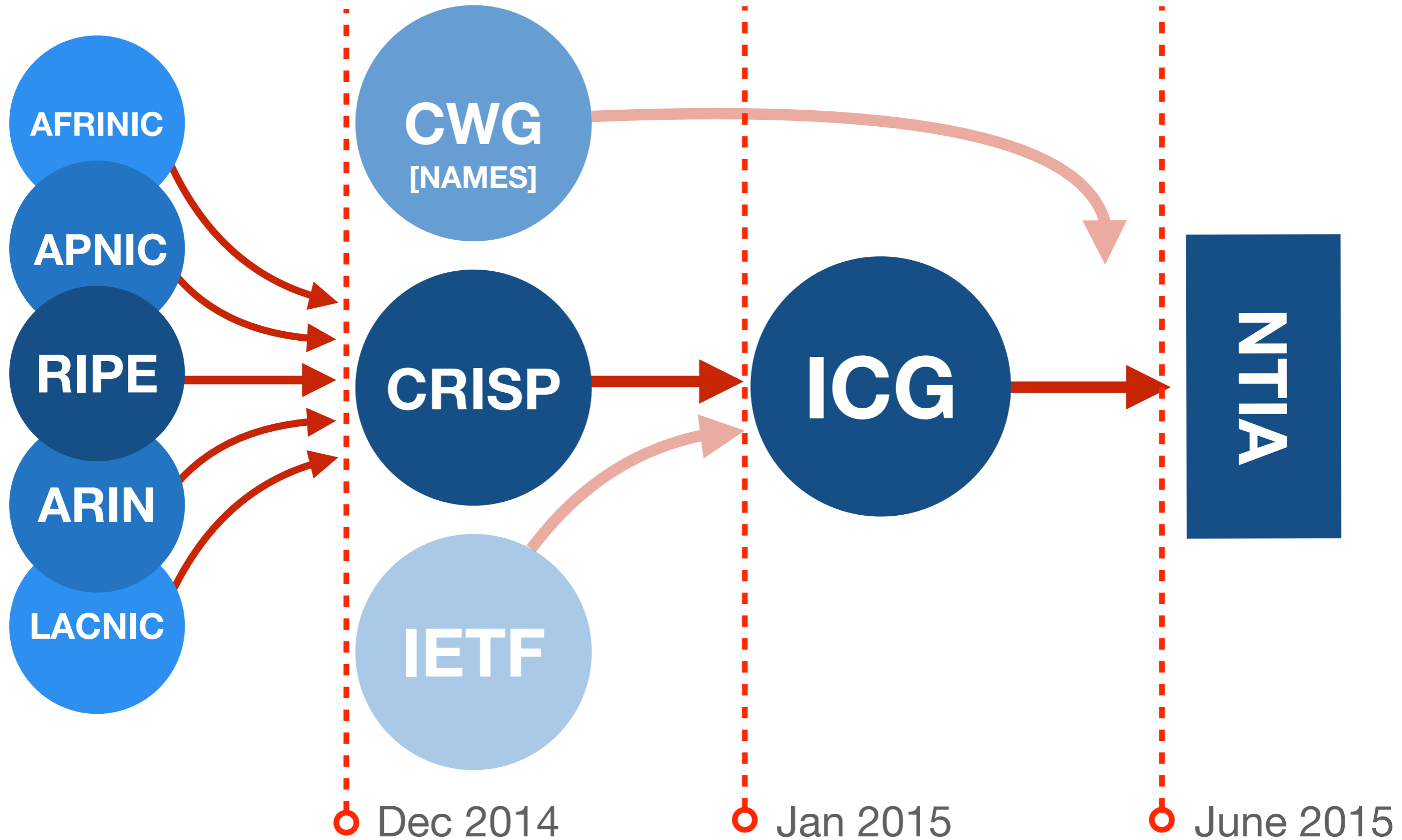
- Promoting engagement of all stakeholders in Internet governance decision-making, bottom-up processes
- Providing expert input on technical issues and the technical effects of governance decisions
- Ensuring that the technical community is informed and represented in multistakeholder discussions

- Talking to members and community across the service region
 - Including targeted regional events
- Contributing to global and regional Internet governance discussions
 - Global and regional events such as IGF, EuroDIG, Arab IGF, national Internet governance events
 - Coordinating with industry partners, I* organisation etc.
- Regular outreach activities to governments, regulators, Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs)

- Global bottom-up process to define new multistakeholder stewardship of IANA functions
- RIPE community a key stakeholder
- Consolidated RIR IANA Stewardship Proposal (CRISP) team submitted proposal from numbers community on 15 January 2015
 - Establish contract between RIRs and ICANN for IANA services
- RIR legal staff currently developing text of SLA
 - Opportunity for community feedback at RIPE 70

<http://ripe.net/iana-oversight-transition>

IANA Stewardship Process: Timeline



- Submitted to ICG on 15 January 2015
- Key elements
 - ICANN to remain as IANA Numbering Services Operator
 - ICANN would serve under a new contract (SLA) with the Regional Internet Registries
 - 11 IANA SLA principles defined, but RIR legal staff to write and negotiate contract
 - Community-based Review Committee will advise and assist RIRs in ensuring quality of IANA Numbering Services performance
 - All relevant intellectual property rights are in the public domain or, where appropriate, reside with the RIRs

- RIR legal staff developing SLA agreement
 - RIPE 70 Plenary session will give community chance to provide input
- Monitoring developments in the CWG-Names
 - Ensuring that numbers community principles and authority are respected in any final proposal to the NTIA
- Engaging our community, governments, on the CRISP proposal and numbers community principles and priorities
 - Reinforcing that this is a **BOTTOM-UP PROCESS!**
 - Highlighting numbers community authority and autonomy

- Internet Governance Forum, November 2015 in Brazil
 - 10th annual event
 - Key moment for IGF regarding its renewal for future events
 - Has served as an important forum for developing multistakeholder Internet governance
- WSIS+10
 - 10 years on from the original WSIS meetings
 - An opportunity to consider progress made, ways forward
 - A risk that UN commitment to multistakeholder governance is threatened

- Why do I even care about any of this?
 - Does this affect my business?
- How can I participate or influence the debate?
 - Good governance starts at home
 - We need the technical community and RIPE NCC members to help locally
- We need to work on this together



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