Delivering on a Five-Year Strategy:
2019–2024
Impact Results

Internet Society

Building the Internet

By the Numbers

GOAL: By 2025, we will have built and extended connectivity to 50 communities.

85	56	45
Community Networks Supported	Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) Supported	Sustainable Technical Communities Supported
$3,167,298	**$3,665,854**	**$232,389**
(USD) Funds Granted	(USD) Distributed Through Grants	(USD) Distributed Through Grants

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2025 Internet Society Action Plan

Internet Society

Affordable

and

Reliable

Access is more expensive and unreliable where Internet interconnection infrastructure is weak or lacking.

This program seeks to make access affordable and resilient for marginalized and underserved populations by improving local Internet interconnection infrastructure and advocating for an enabling policy environment that supports a thriving digital ecosystem.

Priorities

- Continuing to improve and scale our approach to supporting local peering infrastructure, with focus on Small
Island Developing States and Least Developed Countries

- Strengthening local peering infrastructure through training, providing grants, advocating, improving materials and resources, and strengthening local technical communities.

Peering Fellowship

Equip peering and interconnection professionals with skills, knowledge, and tools to address interconnection and peering challenges while maximizing opportunities to grow the Internet and develop the community at peering events – Peering Asia for APAC.

- Program to offer essential basics for technical and advocacy
  - Once they complete the program and join the alumni network, they can pursue growing in one of these two paths:
    - "Peering Techies/Engineers"
    - "Peering Advocates"

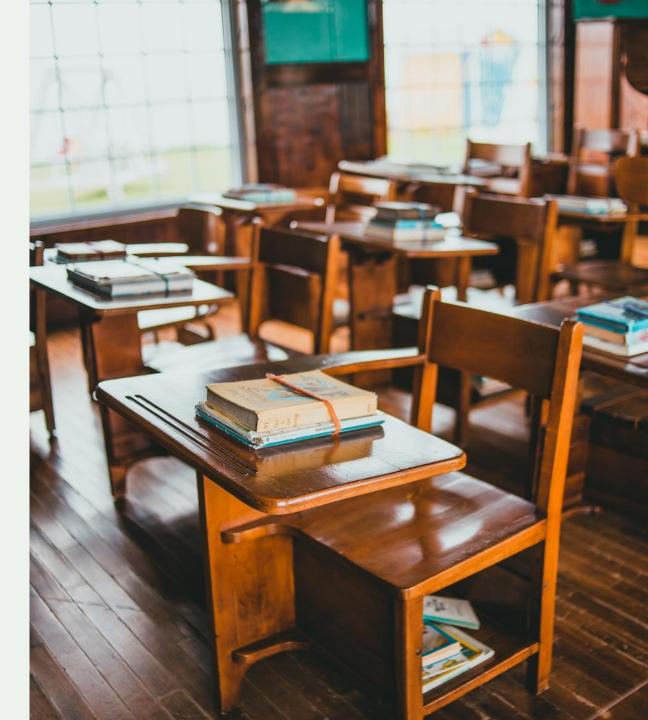- 5 fellowships for existing IXP community with priority given to SIDS and LDCs.

Resources

Training

We offer moderated online courses, face-to-face courses, and self-paced tutorials for the Internet Society community.

- Fundamentals of Designing and Deploying Computer Networks
- Introduction to Network Operations
- Advanced Network Operations
- Internet Exchange Points (IXP)
- Mutually Agreed Norms for Routing Security (MANRS)

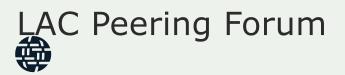# Peering Forums

African Peering and Interconnection Forum (AFPIF)

Central Africa Peering Forum

Virtual Peering Series – Africa

Virtual Peering Series – Central Asia

West African Peering Forum

Peering Asia

LAC Peering Forum

Grant Program

We fund local communities to:

- Build IXPs in markets where they are needed
- Level-up existing IXPs to realize their full potential
- Develop regional organizations and communities that support peering and interconnection.

Grants assist in training, capacity building, community development, and equipment purchases.

https://www.internetsociety.org/funding-areas/sustainable-peering-ixp/

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