

Discussion:
“Global IXP” and APIX membership

APIX Steering Committee

Background

- “Global IXP” here is defined as an organization which operates internet exchanges in multiple countries/economies
 - AMS-IX, BBIX, DE-CIX , Equinix, Megaport

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- The current membership of such global IXPs is various:
 - **One membership:**
BBIX, Equinix, Megaport, AMS-IX
 - For example, BBIX has multiple IXPs in APAC, some of which are a joint venture with local companies, but only “BBIX” is the APIX member and covers other entities.
 - **Multiple memberships:**
DE-CIX (3 = Malaysia, India, Indonesia)
 - Legal reasons: DE-CIX went into joint venture with the existing APIX members or founded new IXPs; minority shareholder
 - JBIX (Johru Baru Internet Exchange) -> **DE-CIX Malaysia** [DE-CIX MY]
 - MumbaiIX -> **DE-CIX India** [DE-CIX IN]
 - **DE-CIX Indonesia** [DE-CIX ID]

Would like to hear the members' thoughts

- How do we manage APIX membership of global IXPs?
 - No clear definition now
 - According to the Bylaws:
 - Any entity, enterprise, or organization ... possessing legal personality
- More specifically, “A subsidiary IXP organization of Global IXPs can become an APIX member?”
 - 100% owned subsidiaries could be accepted as another member?
 - How about a Joint venture with local company?
 - In this case, if local company or companies have more than 50% stake, then it could be acceptable?
 - Any other options?
- Discussion
 - According to the discussion, if necessary, revising Bylaws will be proposed at the next APIX meeting

Thank you!

