

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

Between

Association of African Universities, P. O. Box AN 5744, Accra, Ghana represented by Akilagpa Sawyerr, Secretary-General;

AfriNIC Ltd., 03B3, 3rd Floor Ebene Cyber Tower, Rose Hill, Mauritius represented by Adiel A. Akplogan in his capacity of Chief Executive Officer;

The African Network Operator Group (AfNOG), 34 Church Crescent Labone - P.O. Box 3035 Accra, Ghana, represented by Dr. Nii Quaynor, in his capacity as AfNOG Convener.

About Collaboration and mutual support

Whereas AAU is the Association of African Universities,

Whereas AfriNIC is the African Network Information Center, a not-for-profit membership based company made up mainly of Network Operators from Africa;

Whereas AfNOG is the Africa Network Operators Group, a forum for the exchange of technical information, with an aim of sharing experiences of technical challenges in setting up, building and running IP networks on the African continent;

Whereas AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG are willing to put together their efforts to enhance networking, knowledge and governance in the African Research and Education community.

The parties agree as the follows:

- 1) AAU shall nominate a representative to the AfNOG Steering Committee;
- 2) AfriNIC and AfNOG shall each nominate a representative each to the AfREN (African Research and Education Network) Steering Committee to be set up;
- 3) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will cooperate to organize policy and capacity building workshops and meetings at regional and continental levels;
- 4) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will exchange technical information in support of design, development and implementation of Research and Education Networks at campus, national, regional and continental levels;
- 5) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will support NRENs (National Research and Education Networks) activities at the national level;
- 6) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will work together on technology transfer, development and delivery of workshops and other educational activities;
- 7) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will encourage their communities to play a constructive role in each others' policy evolution and activities;

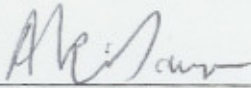
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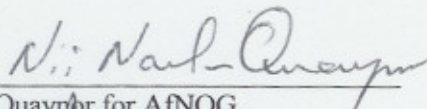
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- 8) AAU, AfriNIC and AfNOG will support each other to raise funds in support of all the activities in a transparent manner.

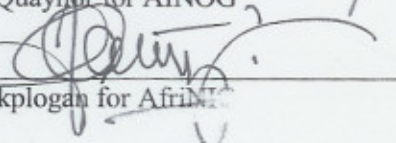
This agreement will be reviewed every two years after evaluation of its application and its impact on the common goals.

Signed 
Akilagpa Sawyerr (Secretary-General, AAU)

Date 11 / 09 / 2006

Signed 
Dr. Nii Quaynor for AfNOG

Date 11 / 09 / 2006

Signed 
Adiel Akplogan for AfriNIC

Date 20 / 09 / 2006