#### What is the NRO?

- Established by Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) among 4 RIRs
  - Signed 24 October 2003
  - Since joined by AfriNIC
- Lightweight Tool for...
  - Coordination between RIRs
  - Point of Contact for external parties
  - "Coalition of RIRs"
- NRO Incorporation
  - Being prepared



# Functions (EC)

Function distribution in Executive Council:

Adiel Akplogan Member

Raul Echeberria Chairman

Axel Pawlik Member

Ray Plzak Secretary

Paul Wilson Treasurer



# Functions (AC)

NRO fulfilling the functions of ICANN Address Supporting Organisation

- Advice to ICANN Board regarding Numbering Resources
- Appoint two members to ICANN board
- Appoint member to ICANN Nominating Committee

### **Activities**

- Ongoing: ICANN contract drafting
  - Producing Contract Drafts for
    - -ICANN contribution
    - -IANA Service Levels
- WSIS (-> Internet Governance Forum)
  - Monitoring, coordinating, influencing
- Communications Coordination Group
- Engineering Coordination Group

# **WSIS** History

- IG big issue concerning us
  - Others are Capacity Building, Financing, etc
- After Geneva Summit 2003:
  Working Group on Internet Governance
- 40 participants, multistakeholder
- WGIG report
  - Published July 2005
  - See <u>www.wgig.org</u>
  - Four IG models
  - Forum



# WSIS Status pre-Tunis

- PrepComm Geneva
  - no consensus on Internet Governance
- 3 Main Positions
  - US: "The UN will never run the Internet", US will continue stewardship, recognising other states sovereign rights
  - Strong Regulatory Stance (China, Cuba, Saudi Arabia, Iran...): More governmental control
  - EU Surprise: "New Model needed", in between other positions



#### **WSIS Tunis**

- Internet Community demonstrating Cooperation, Capacity Building etc pp
  - Under ISOC umbrella
  - RIPE NCC leading NRO effort
  - Seeking dialogue
- "Tunis Agenda", Paragraph 38
  - **38.** We call for the **reinforcement of specialised regional Internet resource management institutions** to guarantee the national interest and rights of countries in that particular region to manage their own Internet resources, while maintaining global coordination in this area.
- Internet Governance Forum



### Internet Governance Forum

- aka "WSIS, next Generation"
- Discussion Forum
  - Not decision making
- Open ended and multistakeholder
- Athens, Greece (2006)
- Timeframe: Second half of 2006



# Questions, Comments?

Number Resource Organization