PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy and Planned Activities

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What is PRIDA?

PRIDA is a joint initiative of the African Union (AU), the European Union (EU) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

✓ Aims at enabling the African continent to reap the benefits of digitalization:
  ➢ By addressing various dimensions of broadband demand and supply in Africa;
  ➢ By monitoring and evaluating the harmonization of ICT/Telecommunications’ policies, legal and regulatory frameworks;
  ➢ By streamlining the Internet Governance (IG) structures and processes; and building the capacities of AU Member States in the IG space.
PRIDA Track of IG

PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy has two tracks:

1. To strengthen the IG structures and processes at the national, regional and continental levels.
   - Streamlining the policy development processes at all these levels and;
   - Coordinating African’s participation in IG matters at the Global level

2. To build and develop capacity and offer coaching services to the Internet Community and Diplomats of Member States.
   - Strengthening the ability of African stakeholders to actively participate in the global IG processes (policy and technical debates) and;
   - Developing negotiation skills before and during International meetings where decisions are taken.
PRIDA IG Implementation Strategy Actors, Workflows and Structures

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PRIDA Focal Points

RECs

National IGF National Conveners

Regional IGF Regional Conveners

Continental IGF AUC

Global IGF
1. Three assessment studies done between April and July 2019

2. A **Validation workshop** for the assessment studies, **IGF toolkit** and the planned contextualized training modules was held in **November 2019**

3. Draft PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy is available
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What has PRIDA Done So Far?

a) Harmonization of national, regional and continental IGFs
   I. IGF Toolkit to be used for the National, Regional and Continental IGFs is available (French and English).
   II. Rationalised Scheduling of IGFs and IG schools from 2020
       a) All National IGFs to be held between January and June of each year
       b) All regional IGFs to be held between July and September each year
       c) African IGF to be held in October each year
   III. Support to Regional IG schools and Regional IGFs

b) Capacity building and development
   I. Eleven (11) Training modules developed and tested
   II. Seventy (70) Regional Trainers Trained in May 2019 in Addis Ababa
   III. Collaboration with DIPLO to contextualize the content for African Internet stakeholders and Diplomats
1. Finalization of the PRIDA IG implementation strategy
2. Finalization of the study on sustainability of IG trainings
3. Support the creation of National IGFs where they do not exist and continue supporting Regional and Continental IGFs
4. Develop contextualized Online and Offline training modules for the Internet Community with embedded Certification (French & English)
5. Develop contextualized Online and Offline training modules for Diplomats with embedded Certification (French & English)
6. Complete Development of a Digital Platform to be hosted by AUC
7. Develop a framework for digital policy clinic for on demand coaching
8. Foster Communities of Practice around IG, composed of researchers, practitioners, technical experts and policy makers
Thank You

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