

#### Internet Governance

A national and international challenge

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# What is Internet governance?

The easy bit - Critical DNS infrastructure

# And who's in charge of that right now?

In .au

In other countries



## What is Internet governance?

The hard bit – 'Everything Else'

And what is 'Everything Else' and who's in charge of that right now?

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#### What is 'Everything Else'?

World Summit on the Information Society

Working Group on Internet Governance



### Internet Governance – a working definition

Internet governance is the development and application by Governments, the private sector and civil society, in their respective roles, of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programmes that shape the evolution and use of the Internet.



#### Which means?

Critical DNS Infrastructure and other significant public policy issues, such as critical Internet resources, the security and safety of the Internet, and developmental aspects and issues pertaining to the use of the Internet including:

spam cyber crime digital divide



### That all seems fine – what's the problem?

'Everything Else' is really, really hard to tackle

Critical DNS Infrastructure box is an easy way out – 'at least we're doing something'

The ITU, Brazil, Iran, China (oh and bits



#### ICANN's Achilles Heel(s)

The United States Government

The perception and the spin

The reality

An alternate Root



#### Things are not really that bad

The MOU

The IGF



### How fascinating – how do I make sure I get to have my say?

auDA - membership

ICANN – gNSO and ALAC

IGF - open, transparent, equal footing



#### Useful references

auDA - www.auda.org.au

ICANN - www.icann.org

WGIG - www.wgig.org

WSIS - www.itu.int/wsis

IGF - www.intgovforum.org



#### Thank You!

Questions?