## **Internet** Governance in 2015



## How will we remember 2015? We looked back at the main highlights month by month, and the processes which prevailed throughout the year.

Privacy Intermediaries **IANA** Data and Financing Cyberespionage **WSIS +10** Cybercrime Net neutrality and E-commerce Cybersecurity SDGs development transition protection freedom iurisdiction of opinion The long-The effects of the The US FCC's new A French court Tech giants faced Annual report of Based on G20 leaders The ten-vear Prominent Countries agreed Governments Sony Pictures net neutrality rules legal action: Uber standing Safe **WSIS** review established throughout the the Special on measures to feedback from adopted 17 agreed to refrain hack and threats - reclassifying jurisdiction over a Rapporteur on Sustainable concluded was slammed by finance the the IG community, Harbour agrefrom conducting year, broadband Intersurrounding the case involving injunctions the Promotion sustainable the US NTIA Development ement was inval-ICT-enabled theft successfully with cybersecurity release of *The* net access service and Protection of Goals and of intellectual Californian-based across Europe as came under focus development announced an idated by the the adoption of Interview as a telecommuni-Facebook, while the Right to agenda. The extension of the committed to Court of Justice property, including the WSIS+10 the new business after new (December 2014) cations service -Freedom of Addis Ababa IANA contract by of the European new data retenmodel posed arrangements on 'significantly rade secrets. This resolution, carried forward signified a U-turn. tion bills and various legal information Opinion and Action Agenda one year until 30 increase access Union (Max gave broader reaching rough into January, with The new rules rulings impacted challenges; security coopera-Expression addresses global September 2016, to ICTs and strive Schrems case) support to earlier consensus on new cybersecupaved the way for the responsibility Google faced established a The ruling tion emerged priorities and with the possibilto provide agreements development, rity legislative similar rules in the of ISPs and anti-trust action between NATO clear link outlines over 100 ity of extending it universal and triggered uncersecurity, and proposals in the EU later in the against cyberaffordable access year. Global in the EU for and the EU, China measures. further for USA. Cyberat-Internet compabetween freedom tainty; interim espionage reached human rights tacks, heightened debates on zero nies. Digital alleged abuse of and Russia, and of opinion and another three to the Internet in solutions were by the US and issues, and security measrating services rights groups its dominant within EU privacy. The least developed adopted, while EU China, and the UK ambiguous years, ures, and internafollowed; in India agreed on the member states office of the if required. countries by and USA officials and China market compromise on and Egypt, tional negotia-Manila Principles position. following the Special Rappor-2020'. kick-started IG issues. This tions throughout Facebook's Free on Intermediary newly adopted teur on the Right All SDGs will relv negotiations on IG issues were will be tested by Basics initiative the year Liability. European Agenda to Privacy was on digital tech-Safe under focus at the the fast growth of confirmed our was suspended. on Security. created. Harbour 2.0. 10th Internet the Internet. The nologies in the predictions for Governance implementation IGF was extended 2015 which process. Forum. for 10 years. placed security at the top of the list.⊡ March February April May July August September October November December January June

IANA transition: Substantial progress was made; the draft proposal was finalised shortly after ICANN 54, and has now entered the implementation phase. Accountability proposals were also being finalised. WSIS+10: The ten-year review process dominated much of the digital policy process in 2015, culminating in a high level meeting in December during which the Tunis Agenda of 2005 was reconfirmed.



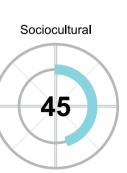












Relevance of issues in online media

The relevance score (0 - 100) for each IG Basket was computed from 45,478 online news and reports. The sources were compiled from various online media during the second half of 2015. Online media favorited Economic, Human Rights, and Development issues.

The score of 50, achieved by Security issues, at the same time presents the average relevance score; Sociocultural, Legal, and Infrastructure and Standardisation issues scored below average.