

Press Release – AfriNIC launches MyAfriNIC, its Member’s Portal

AfriNIC, the Regional Internet Registry for Africa, is pleased to inform the African Internet Community that the member portal for the African Community, has been launched on 26th September 2007 during the AfriNIC-7 Public Policy Meeting which was held in Durban, South Africa.

MyAfriNIC is a web-based portal will allow members to perform the following tasks:

- Manage their organisation contact details
- Manage their Internet Number Resources
- Manage their payment.

MyAfriNIC will also include online payment and new member registration amongst its unique features.

Adiel Akplogan, the CEO of AfriNIC, said “we took some time to develop and launch MyAfriNIC, but we wanted to make sure that the service we provide to our community is at the highest level and hopefully this portal will exceed our members’ expectations.”

Members from a range of countries in the AfriNIC service region volunteered to conduct an initial trial of the portal in a live environment which ended in March 2007. These members were eNetworks (South Africa), Ghana Telecoms (Ghana), Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Egypt), Ponto de Intercambio Internet Angola (Angola), Skannet (Nigeria), Sonatel (Senegal) and Sudatel (Sudan). The suggestions and comments received from these members have been incorporated.

MyAfriNIC has been developed by Frank Nnebe, the Software and Engineering Manager at AfriNIC. Regarding this first version of MyAfriNIC, Frank mentioned: “This is the first version of MyAfriNIC being rolled out. We have already identified several additional features and services which are being developed and will be incorporated in a future release.”

MyAfriNIC can be accessed via <http://my.afriNIC.net>.

AfriNIC is a non-governmental and not-for-profit membership based organisation. Its main role is to serve Africa region as Regional Internet Registry, like the four other continents which have their own RIR.

AfriNIC’s mission is “To provide professional and efficient distribution of Internet number resources to the African Internet community, to support Internet technology usage and development across the continent and strengthen self Internet governance in Africa by encouraging a participative policy development.”

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