# ICANN Civil Society and Internet Governance

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#### Question

Asked: How did the development of civil society participation at ICANN mirror that of civil society in global and regional Internet governance processes?

Instead: How has ICANN civil society influenced global and regional Internet governance processes?



#### In the beginning

- First meetings specifically about Internet policy 1995
- Stakeholder governance, 1997 and ICANN 1998



#### NCUC, ICANN civil society, WSIS

- NCUC "Our Story" (began in 1999)
- Representation of the global Internet community "atlarge"
- 2001 ICANN civil society bring their experience to WSIS



#### **ICANN Civil Society**

- Among the first to promote multistakeholder approaches, WSIS – IGF – global Internet policy
- You have influenced global civil society, and global and regional Internet governance processes
- You create/develop policy for the DNS

### Thank you!



## Ministerial Declaration, G7 Digital and Technology Ministers' meeting 28 April 2021

- We will CONTRIBUTE to specific areas of digital technical standards development <u>as part of</u> the multistakeholder community where there are significant realworld implications that could affect our citizens, our shared values as open and democratic societies, or our shared economic prosperity.
- We will CONTINUE our support for a multi-stakeholder approach to policy-making, working with companies, civil society, academics and representative groups...

(source, annex 1 "Framework for G7 Collaboration on Digital Technical Standards")