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SENIX Senegalese Internet Exchange Point

FranceIX



SENIX: 3 years of discussion

- ❑ Senegal has not yet an IXP, whereas
 - ✓ There are 3 marine cables landing in this country
 - ✓ The market is quite ready for it (ISP, Operators,...)

- ❑ The project of setting an IXP in Senegal lasts for 3 years...
 - ✓ Training have been done by AXIS and ISOC
 - ✓ The majority of Senegalese ICT community support this IXP
 - ✓ Regulatory and government encourage its creation
 - ✓ ... but still now no IXP yet!

- ❑ Why?
 - ✓ The incumbent resistance
 - ✓ No involvement of the entire ICT community
 - ✓ In reality, the benefits of an IXP were not well assimilated by the community

SENIX: what had changed?

☐ AfPiF 2014, held in Senegal in Sept 2014

- ✓ Peering and IXP mechanisms explained to the senegalese actors
- ✓ More pressure on Gov from the internet community

☐ Meeting FranceIX / Ministry of Telecommunication, Paris March 2015

- ✓ Presentation of FranceIX : type of customers, organization and benefits for customers
- ✓ Support of FranceIX for setting up the SENIX, without commercial interest
 - Decision to organize a workshop in Dakar for the entire community

☐ Workshop and Roadmap

- ✓ Workshop August 20th: well attended by the entire ICT community
- ✓ Adoption of the draft statute's of the Association and the proposed roadmap
 - **October 6th**: General Assembly to create the Association which will own the IXP
 - **Dec 2015**: Hiring the SENIX team
 - **Jan 2016**: Launch of SENIX