Nigerian Network Operators Group (ngNOG)

About ngNOG

- Domestication of AfNOG (www.afnog.org) workshops and meetings
- Started out of the need to meet growing demand for local capacity especially in Higher Education Institutions networks
- Hosted in a different HEI annually (November)
- 4 days of hands-on workshops run concurrently followed by 2 days of tutorials and conference
- Conference theme is chosen based on current issues

History and Growth

- 1 Track (Unix System Administration) at Pre-NOG July 2006, University of Ibadan (http://forum.org.ng/pre-ngnog/report)
 35 delegates from 14 institutions
- 3 Tracks at University of Jos, November 2006 (http://forum.org.ng/NgNOG/2006Reports)
 56 participants from 14 institutions and organizations
- 5 Tracks at Bayero University Kano, November 2007 (http://forum.org.ng/ngNOG/2007Report)
 75 participants from 21 institutions and organizations

Growth (contd..)

Two new tracks included in 2007:

3. Energy Planning & Appropriate Power Technologies (APT)

5. ICT Strategic Planning and Network Computing Policy (NPC)



Next host, November 2008; University of Lagos

 Selection of host is similar to AfNOG's: institutions and/or organizations submit bids following domesticated (AfNOG) version of hosting criteria

Achievements

- Capacity building at reduced cost
- Growing instructors (presently 16 in no. 50: 50 from academic community and private sectors)
- Customized curriculum to meet local needs
- Collaboration among HEIs and other stakeholders
- Growing interest in ICT related policies that affect HEIs
- Community building; mailing list
 ngnog-discuss@forum.org.ng

Future plans....

- Discussions to create another track on Academic Computing and Content Creation in 2008 edition
- Boot camp for instructors
- Plans to include other stakeholders including related associations (ISPAN, NCS, CPN), regulatory agencies (NCC, NITDA) etc
- Institutional NOGs
 - Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto
 - University of Jos
 - University of Benin
 - University of Port-Harcourt

Partners

- Partnership for Higher Education in Africa (PHEA)
- Carnegie Corporation of New York
- John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
- Network Start up Resource Centre (NSRC)
- Association of African Universities (AAU) Research and Education Networking Unit
- Internet Society (ISOC) Nigeria Chapter
- Solartime Energy Ltd
- GDES/ SKANNET Ibadan
- Consultancy Support Services
- African Network Operators Group (AfNOG)..... and their many ghosts