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# **IPv6 Council Nigeria Has Been Founded**

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**Lagos/Luxembourg, February 2, 2014 -** The IPv6 Forum welcomes the formation of a new IPv6 initiative with the establishment of the IPv6 Council Nigeria formed **November 14, 2014** under the leadership of Mr. Muhammed Rudman, CEO, Internet eXchange Point of Nigeria (IXPN) and a Board member of the Nigeria Internet Registration Association (NiRA), as its Chair and Mr. Chris Uwaje, Chair: Mobile Software Solutions Ltd and 2014 WSA African Content Awardee as its vice-chair.

"The Nigeria IPv6 Council will be winning key stakeholders from government, industry and academia to design the IPv6 roadmap and vision together for Nigeria to embrace the New Internet world based on IPv6" stated, Mr. Muhammed Rudman, Chair, IPv6 Council Nigeria.

"The Nigeria IPv6 Council will drive the right messages to the prime stakeholders to enable IPv6 in their networks to empower the developers and the users to be on part with the rest of the world" stated, Mr. Chris Uwaje, Vice-Chair, IPv6 Council Nigeria.

The prime objective of the Nigeria IPv6 Council and its members is to promote deployment and coordinated uptake of the new Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) with support from industry, education, research communities and government agencies enabling equitable access to technology and knowledge.

"The Nigeria IPv6 Council has been created to extend to the Nigerian Internet community a strong voice and representation in the new Internet world to create momentum in deploying IPv6" stated Latif Ladid, IPv6 Forum President.

The Internet World has been using the Internet Protocol version 4 (IPv4) for the last two decades. Despite its tremendous success, IPv4 is showing signs of strain especially in its fast depleting IP address space and its growing security concerns. IPv6 preserves everything good in today's Internet, and adds much more, such as virtually unlimited IP address space to connect everyone and everything, stateless auto-configuration, seamless mobility, automated network management, end to end security and new optional service levels.

## **About the Nigeria IPv6 Council**

The Nigeria IPv6 Council is a chapter of the IPv6 Forum dedicated to the advancement and promotion of IPv6 best practices and lessons learned in Nigeria. Comprised of individual members, as opposed to corporate sponsors, its mission is to provide technical leadership and innovative thought for the successful integration of IPv6 into all facets of networking and telecommunications infrastructure, present and future. Please visit: (under construction)

#### **About IPv6 Forum**

The IPv6 Forum is a world-wide consortium of international Internet service providers (ISPs) and National Research & Education Networks (NRENs), with a mission to promote IPv6 by improving market and user awareness, creating a quality and secure New Generation Internet and allowing world-wide equitable access to knowledge and technology. The key focus of the IPv6 Forum today is to provide technical guidance for the deployment of IPv6. IPv6 Summits are organized by the IPv6 Forum and staged in various locations around the world to provide industry and market with the best available information on this rapidly advancing technology. Please visit <a href="http://www.ipv6forum.com">http://www.ipv6forum.com</a>

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