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Internet for All: .au working with .pg

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Beginnings

- Longstanding relationship between Australia and Papua New Guinea
- Early discussions at ICANN and APTLD meetings
- auDA in house and consultant time, working with PNG UOT staff
- No formalities, but discussed an MOU

auDA assistance to .pg

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- .pg currently consists of manual processes to register and maintain .pg domains
 - Difficult to get traction with major registrars that sell domain names, so not competitive with other alternatives such as .com in Papua New Guinea
- Updated the .pg domain name policy to incorporate best practice rules
- Assisted in presenting proposed new .pg policy to multi-stakeholder DNS Forum in Port Moresby
- Assisted .pg to develop requirements for an open international tender to operate the .pg registry
- Next steps:
 - Once .pg has selected a company to operate .pg registry, provide guidance on contract and project to migrate the current registry system to the new registry
 - Once a new .pg registry is in place, assist with building knowledge in the local community on how to take advantage of the features of the new registry and grow .pg for the local community

Things we can do to support each other's development

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- Build our links with each other
- Speaking openly about shared challenges and shared experiences
- Being able to take the time to learn enough for genuine collaboration

Thank you!

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