

18th NIGERIA INTERNET REGISTRATION ASSOCIATION (NiRA) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL, 2026

Stakeholders Applaud NiRA's Leadership in Strengthening Nigeria's Internet Infrastructure

Members Commend Resilience of .ng Registry at Successful AGM; Stakeholders Call for Policy Frameworks to Accelerate National Domain Adoption

The Nigeria Internet Registration Association (NiRA) successfully convened its 18th Annual General Meeting (AGM), bringing together key stakeholders from across Nigeria's internet, technology, and business ecosystem following the successful conclusion of its Annual General Meeting (AGM) held at Radisson Blu Hotel Ikeja. The meeting, marked by robust participation from members, policymakers, industry leaders, and civil society representatives, centred on NiRA's continued performance, strategic direction, and the imperative of deepening Nigeria's digital identity through the .ng country code top-level domain (ccTLD).

Attendees at the AGM gave a resounding commendation to NiRA's leadership and management team for their steadfast commitment to managing and sustaining the .ng domain registry. Members praised the Association for delivering operational excellence, maintaining registry stability, and driving meaningful growth in an increasingly competitive digital landscape.

NiRA was specifically recognised for its efforts in strengthening Nigeria's digital ecosystem providing a secure, reliable, and trusted infrastructure that underpins online identities for businesses, institutions, and individuals across the country. Members highlighted the Association's resilience in the face of global and local headwinds, noting that its consistent performance has reinforced confidence in Nigeria's internet governance framework.

Stakeholders reaffirmed the strategic importance of the .ng domain as more than a technical resource it is a sovereign national asset and a cornerstone of Nigeria's digital identity. With Nigeria ranking among Africa's largest internet markets, the .ng domain represents a critical enabler of economic growth, digital commerce, and institutional credibility.

The AGM underscored that every Nigerian business, public institution, and innovator operating online has both an opportunity and a responsibility to adopt the .ng domain as their primary digital address reinforcing national identity while contributing to the growth of a locally anchored internet ecosystem.

A significant outcome of the AGM was a unified call from stakeholders for stronger policy intervention to drive the adoption of .ng domains among Nigerian businesses. Participants emphasised that organic growth, while encouraging, must be complemented by deliberate institutional frameworks that make .ng the default choice for new and existing businesses.

Stakeholders specifically called for enhanced collaboration between NiRA and the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), urging the integration of .ng domain registration into the business incorporation and renewal process. Such alignment, members argued, would create a seamless pathway for businesses to establish their digital presence under a Nigerian domain from inception.

Additional recommendations included the development of government-backed policy frameworks that incentivise .ng adoption, the creation of regulatory guidelines that recognise .ng as a standard for digital credibility, and public sector leadership in adopting .ng domains to signal confidence in Nigeria's digital infrastructure.

EXECUTIVE PERSPECTIVES

“.ng is more than a domain it is Nigeria's digital identity. Our focus remains on strengthening trust, driving adoption, and ensuring that Nigeria fully benefits from its internet ecosystem. Every organisation that registers under .ng is not just building a website; they are investing in the sovereignty and credibility of Nigeria's presence in the global digital economy.”

— Mr. Adesola Akinsanya; President, Nigeria Internet Registration Association (NiRA)

“We have continued to build a resilient and secure registry that supports businesses, innovators, and institutions across Nigeria. Our priority is to deepen adoption, expand our stakeholder base, and create greater value throughout the .ng ecosystem. The growth trajectory we are on reflects the hard work of our team and the trust our members continue to place in us.”

— Mrs. Oluwaseyi Onasanya; Chief Operating Officer (COO), NiRA

“The Nigeria Internet Registration Association as a model multi-stakeholder institution that has sustained effective collaboration with government over the years. He noted that this approach reflects a strong and successful framework, positioning Nigeria more prominently on the global digital map.”

— Mr. Biyi Oladipo; Member, Board of Trustees, NiRA

“Adoption of .ng among new businesses must be driven through policy and institutional alignment. The frameworks already exist what is needed is coordinated political will and cross-agency collaboration to translate intent into action.”

— Mr. Muhammad Rudman; Past President, NiRA

Looking ahead, NiRA outlined an ambitious agenda focused on expanding public awareness of the value of .ng domains, deepening partnerships with government agencies, financial institutions, and the private sector, and accelerating digital economy participation among Nigerian businesses.

The Association reaffirmed its commitment to investing in infrastructure resilience, cybersecurity, and stakeholder education ensuring that the .ng registry remains a world-class, trusted foundation for Nigeria's digital future. NiRA also signalled its intent to lead strategic conversations at regional and continental levels, positioning Nigeria as a model for internet governance in Africa.



As Nigeria accelerates its digital transformation agenda, NiRA stands as a steadfast pillar in the nation's internet ecosystem. The Association's unwavering commitment to excellence, governance, and stakeholder value positions it not only as the custodian of Nigeria's domain registry, but as a strategic partner in building a prosperous, inclusive, and globally competitive digital economy.

NiRA remains resolute in its mission to drive .ng adoption, champion internet governance, and ensure that Nigeria's digital infrastructure continues to serve as a launchpad for innovation, investment, and national development.

ABOUT NIRA

The Nigeria Internet Registration Association (NiRA) is the registry responsible for managing Nigeria's country code top-level domain, .ng. Established to promote the development and use of the internet in Nigeria, NiRA oversees the registration, administration, and technical management of all .ng domain names. As a critical component of Nigeria's digital infrastructure, NiRA is committed to fostering a secure, stable, and inclusive internet ecosystem that supports economic growth, digital identity, and national development.

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