Caribbean Update

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CARIBBEAN CONTEXT

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Over the past several years ARIN has invested in expanding its outreach to the Caribbean…and with good reason.

The Caribbean is home to 22 of the 29 territories in the ARIN Service Region.

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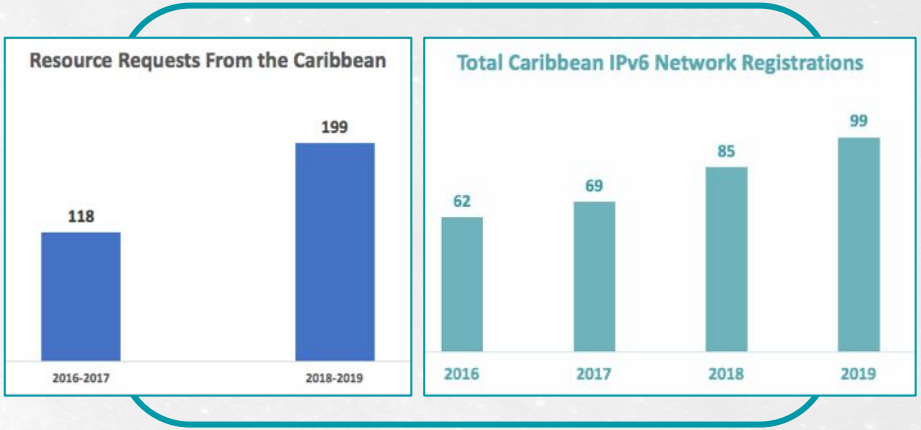
The ARIN Caribbean Forum, established in 2018, brought more direct points of contact with our stakeholders in the Caribbean, facilitating:

- ✔ tech community development;
- ✔ internet policy dialogue with governments; and
- ✔ law enforcement and public safety collaborations.



DID YOU KNOW:
Since 2018, we observed a rise in requests for Internet number resources and an increased adoption of IPv6 in the Caribbean

The COVID-19 Impact

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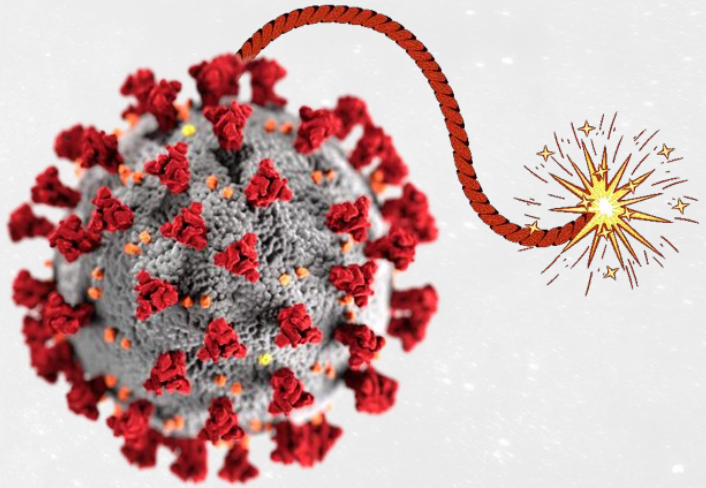
Pandemic related lockdowns and public-health restrictions have led to an unprecedented surge in demand for Internet Connectivity and reliance on the Internet for digital government, essential services and e-commerce throughout the Caribbean.



OPPORTUNITY IN THE CRISIS

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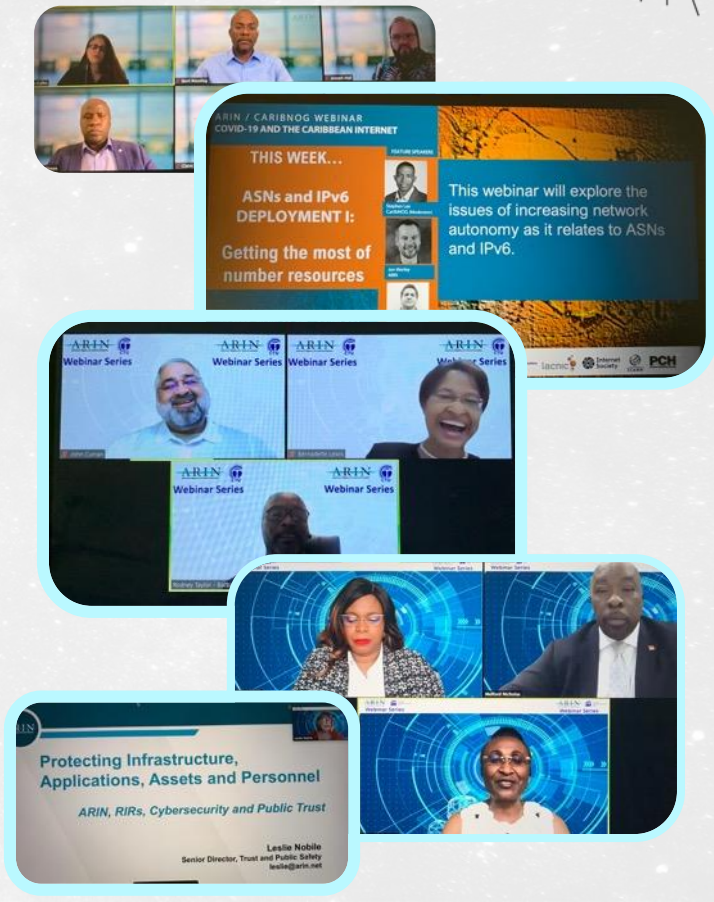
ARIN responded by providing a series of targeted virtual events, via the ARIN Caribbean Forum in collaboration with our partners in the region, such as the Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU), the Caribbean Network Operators Group (CaribNOG) and our sister iOrgs (LACNIC, ISOC, ICANN)



STRENGTHENING THE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY

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The ARIN/CaribNOG webinar series, "COVID-19 and the Caribbean Internet," explored the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on **infrastructure, security, access policy, network service delivery**.

The series comprised of 10 weekly sessions, conducted from 9 April to 12 June 2020

FACILITATING INTERNET PUBLIC POLICY DEVELOPMENT

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The ARIN/CTU webinar series comprised of 4 weekly sessions from 9 - 30 July 2020 under the theme "**Accelerating 21st Century Government in the Caribbean**"

Each webinar was designed to sensitize leaders and policy makers about global Internet trends, and their relevance to a safe, open and secure Internet.

OUR EVOLVING CARIBBEAN OUTREACH

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ARIN is also supporting other regional initiatives such as the Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (CIGF), Caribbean Peering and Interconnection Forum (CarPIF) and the CaribNOG regional meetings

We are also **strengthening our collaboration with intergovernmental organizations**, including CARICOM and the Organization for Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

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"ARIN has well earned its reputation as a trustworthy, committed and reliable actor in the service of Internet development in the Caribbean"

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LOOKING FORWARD

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4 STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE CARIBBEAN

To be recognized as strong and capable **partner for Internet technical coordination** in the Caribbean

To have **strong government relations engagement** with all applicable territories

To have **ARIN services well-known** to the Caribbean Internet community

To **support the strengthening and resiliency of Internet infrastructure** in the Caribbean

Our work in the Caribbean provides benefits to the entire ARIN Service Region.

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ARIN is Committed to the Caribbean

Serving the Technical Community
Strengthening Internet Infrastructure
Facilitating Collaborative Relationships
Enabling **CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT**

THANKS!

Any
Questions?