Lanka Education and Research Network

Overview of LEARN and NOC Operation Updates

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LEARN

- Lanka Education & Research Network
 - NREN of Sri Lanka
 - Private company owned by 16 state universities include UGC
 - Managed by BoD
 - Members from primary member institution
 - Chairman from UGC

Human Resources

- Chief Executive Officer
 - Prof. K.S.Walgama (ceo@learn.ac.lk)
- Administrative staff
 - Operations Manager
 - Mr. Rajeewa Abeygunarathna (rajeewa@learn.ac.lk)
 - Account Assistant
 - Sectary to CEO
 - Mr. Dinesh Gunawardana (dinesh@learn.ac.lk)

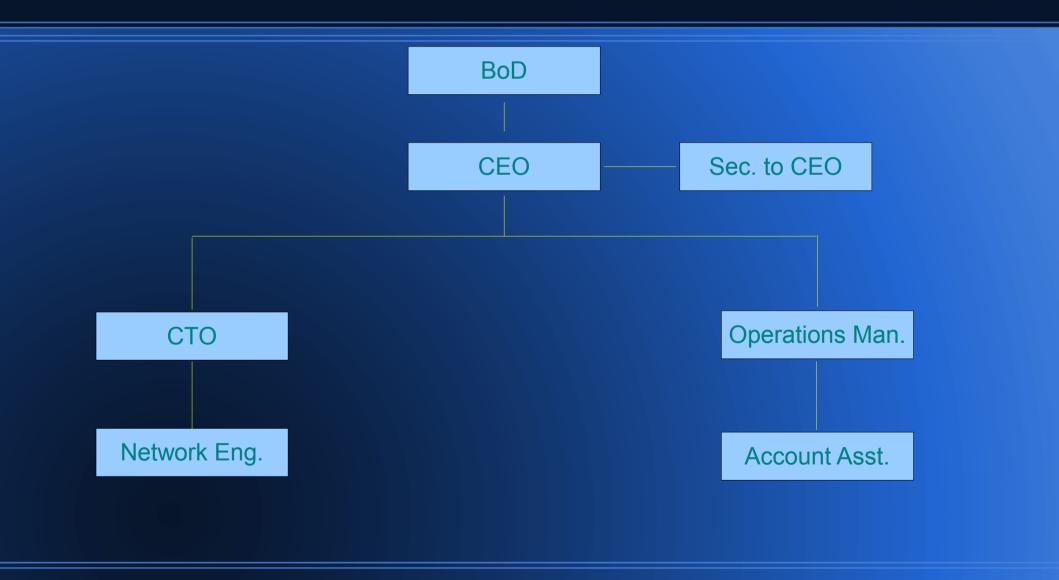


Human Resources (cont.)

- LEARN NOC Staff
 - A Network engineer (noc@learn.ac.lk)
 - Mr. Senevi Herath (senevih@learn.ac.lk)
 - Planing to recruit another engineer
- APAN Secretariat
 - Three officers



Organization





Organization (proposed)





Backbone

Local Connectivity

- VPLS network leased from Sri Lanka Telecom
- 500 Mbps or less
- 45 institutes connected
- http://www.learn.ac.lk/ibw-1.5Gbps
- Ipv6 enabled backbone
- International Connectivity
 - Commodity Internet 1.5Gbps via SLT
 - TEIN4 45 Mbps



Internet bandwidth at a very low rate

- Total bandwidth 1.5Gps (1.65Gbps with 10% burst)
 - 68\$ per 1Mbps
 - The lowest in the country
 - Because of huge bargaining power
- Spare bandwidth (700Mbps)
 - High Internet access performance



Network Equipments

- Access Routers (Managed by LEARN)
 - at the boarder of member institute
- Core Devices
 - two boarder routers for peering with TEIN4 and Internet
 - Servers for (DNS, Web, SIP gateway, Mail relay, spam filtering, etc)
 - Global Google Cache node (GGC)
 - Google/Youtube cache (serve over 300 Mbps)



Services

- Core Network Services
 - DNS, Domain registration (.ac.lk)
 - Mail relaying, Spam filtering
 - SIP Gateway
 - Web hosting
- Under Experiment
 - Eduroam
 - Cloud Services (Open Stack PaaS)



LEARN NMS

- MRTG for Link Utilization
 - 5 minute resolution
 - https://lnms.learn.ac.lk/mrtg/
- Cacti is the LEARN NMS
 - Weathermap, thresholding (thold), monitor
- Traffic plots generated by PHP scripts
 - More detail than MRTG
 - 1 minute resolution
 - https://lnms.learn.ac.lk/traffic/



NOC Operations

- Maintenance of Core Equ. / Core services
 - Core equipments (hardware)
 - Standard network services
 - Monitoring network and its services
 - Security related matters
- Maintenance of backbone
 - Coordinate with Sri Lanka Telecom
- Upgrades/Developments
 - Bandwidth, software and hardware



NOC Trainings/Workshops

- Local Trainings/Workshops
 - local network related training for the technical staff of LEARN member institutes
- LEARN is willing to provide technical resources for local researches
- LEARN is willing support for development of application which runs on REN



Thank You

