

## Current status of the Portuguese IPv6 Task Force

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## **Recent Achievements**

- FCCN organised an IPv6 interoperability event in ExpoTelecom, Lisbon, last Oct '03.
- The 6 WGs leaders and the TF coordinator meet for the 2nd time last Nov. '03.
- A document on Administration and Best Practices is being finalised.
- Adocument on IPv6 migration models and another on IPv6 Dissemination strategy are being prepared.
- The main market players already have IPv6 addresses
  - Most of them have trials in place
- FCCN has 6 national IPv6 native connections
- Most of the wireless University Campus will be IPv6 enabled – a pilot trial will start soon.
- Objectives of the TF were revised.



## **Barriers**

- Very few people inside ISPs/Enterprises interested in IPv6 benefits
  - The actions taken by markets players is essentially restricted to technical people
- Lack of Cable and DSL Companies providing IPv6
- How to make €€€ out of IPv6 ???
  - more focus on revenues needed, not on savings
- Very few members of the Task Force are active
  - Lack of resources to dedicate to IPv6



## **Next Steps**

- Help ISPs and others find their business cases over IPv6
- Connect more Universities and Schools natively in IPv6
- Encourage Gigapix's members to enter the IPv6 world
- Keep talking to hardware vendors
- Publish Information/Documents about IPv6
- To organise an IPv6 round table with Portuguese main players to discuss the way forward
- The Portuguese schools will migrate to broadband, where possible/available
  - The call for tenders requires that CPEs to be IPv6 enabled
- Put in place the IPv6 dissemination strategy