RSSAC Meeting Minutes

8 March 2022 | 14:30-16:00 UTC

Attendance

Cogent

DISA Kevin Wright, Ryan Stephenson ICANN Matt Larson, Terry Manderson

ISC Fred Baker, Jeff Osborn
NASA Barbara Schleckser
Netnod Lars-Johan Liman
RIPE NCC Kaveh Ranjbar
UMD Karl Reuss

USC ISI

US ARL Howard Kash, Ken Renard

Verisign Brad Verd WIDE Hiro Hotta

Liaison to the Board

Liaison to the CSC

Liaison to the RZERC

Liaison from the IAB

Liaison from the SSAC

Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator

Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer

Kaveh Ranjbar

Lars-Johan Liman

Daniel Migault

Russ Mundy

James Mitchell

Duane Wessels

Apologies Wes Hardaker

Staff Andrew McConachie, Danielle Rutherford, Ozan Sahin, and Steve Sheng

Action Items from this Meeting:

- Staff to publish the minutes from 1 February 2022 teleconference.
- Staff to send published minutes from 1 February 2022 teleconference to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.

Call to Order

Fred Baker called the meeting to order at 14:30 UTC.

Roll Call

Fred Baker conducted a roll call. Quorum was present to conduct the meeting and to take formal action, if necessary.

Agenda Review

Fred Baker reviewed the agenda and there were no objections or requested additions.

ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) Outreach Subcommittee Presentation

Vittorio Bertola gave a presentation on the open ICANN leadership positions for which NomCom would be making appointments. Vittorio stated that the application deadline for these positions was 11 March 2022.

Administration

Approval of Minutes

The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from 1 February 2022 teleconference. There were no objections or abstentions.

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RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee Update

Ken Renard reported that the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee started the discussion of whether the breadth of expertise in the RSSAC Caucus needs to be extended to touch on things like legal regulatory or governance experience. Ken asked the RSSAC members whether they want to add any specific expertise to the RSSAC Caucus membership.

Kaveh Ranjbar supported the idea of having more diversity in the RSSAC Caucus and suggested loosening the DNS community experience and DNS knowledge expectations in the application process. Lars-Johan Liman agreed with Kaveh and, in addition to the legal and regulatory expertise, Liman added that accepting new RSSAC Caucus members with registry operations expertise and resolver operator expertise would make sense. Daniel Migault supported improving the diversity in the RSSAC Caucus and stated that new RSSAC Caucus members with experience in measurements could be beneficial. Russ Mundy suggested adjusting the wording of the requirements instead of loosening them, so that an applicant would not be expected to meet all of the requirements but only a subset of them.

Work Items

Potential New Work Item: The Intended Users of the RSS

Guest speaker Paul Hoffman stated that RSSAC never published a statement defining or describing the systems that are the target of the root server system. Paul proposed publishing a short paper on this topic.

Lars-Johan Liman agreed that this effort could be worthwhile. Liman suggested avoiding the use of the word "target". Duane Wessels pointed out some potential complexities due to the evolution of the Root Server System governance process and that a work party on this work effort could take more time than expected.

Fred Baker suggested that RSSAC would continue discussions on the mailing list to decide whether or not a work party needs to be set up.

Potential RSSAC Statement on the Evolution of the Root Server System Governance

Ken Renard introduced the RSSAC Statement on the Evolution of the Root Server System Governance draft to the RSSAC and invited RSSAC members to provide their input. In terms of the timeline and the next steps, Ken proposed continuation of the discussion on the mailing list followed by a potential RSSAC vote during the RSSAC April meeting.

Reports

Chair/Vice Chair

Ken Renard reported that RSSAC leadership was collecting names and email addresses from the RSOs following that the Governance Working Group (GWG) has opened up to all RSOs.

ICANN Board

Kaveh Ranjbar reported that the ICANN Board passed a resolution to provide financial assistance to support maintaining Internet connectivity in response to the events unfolding in Ukraine and the surrounding region.

CSC

Lars-Johan Liman reported that the Customer Standing Committee received a report that showed PTI met SLAs 100%. Liman added that CSC had a discussion with the periodic review team that was reviewing the CSC and IANA. Discussion topics included; the eligibility of non-voting members to become the Chair, frequency of the meetings, review of the SLAs, and attracting the right people for CSC membership. Liman also reported that the CSC Chair election would likely be postponed to early autumn 2022.

RZERC

Daniel Migault reported that RZERC discussed the ZONEMD RRset document provided by the Root Zone Maintainer during its most recent meeting.

IAB

Daniel Migault had no updates.

SSAC

Russ Mundy reminded RSSAC members of the DNSSEC and Security Workshop at ICANN73 and invited them to join.

IANA

James Mitchell reminded RSSAC members of the "5 Years Since IANA Transition: What's Next?" ICANN73 session taking place later on Tuesday, 8 March.

Root Zone Maintainer

Duane Wessels reported that he presented the ZONE MD deployment plan during the last RZERC meeting. Duane added that he would be asking some questions about this plan to the RSOs in the upcoming RSO meeting.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)

Lars-Johan Liman reported that RSS GWG was expecting to receive names of the additional representatives from the RSOs. Liman added that RSS GWG was finalizing a letter in response to a letter received from the ICANN Board requesting a summary of its recent meetings and an updated timeline going forward. Brad Verd stated that based on the rough timeline put together, RSS GWG would get RSO representatives on board in March, followed by a new Chair election in April and the work would begin in May.

Any Other Business

Kaveh Ranjbar announced that, for rotation purposes, RIPE NCC would submit a request to replace the alternate representative Anand Buddhdev with Razvan Oprea.

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 5 April 2022 at 14:00 UTC.

Adjournment

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.