

**Root Zone Evolution Review Committee (RZERC) Meeting Minutes**  
**20 July 2021 | 19:00 - 20:00 UTC**

**Attendance**

**ICANN Board** Kaveh Ranjbar  
**PTI** Kim Davies  
**SSAC** Geoff Huston  
**RSSAC** Daniel Migault  
**IETF** Tim April  
**GNSO RySG** Howard Eland (GNSO RySG)  
**ccNSO** Peter Koch  
**Verisign (RZM)** Duane Wessels

**Staff** Danielle Rutherford

**Apologies** Carlos Martinez (ASO)

**Action Items from this Teleconference**

- **ACTION ITEM:** Danielle to publish approved 15 June 2021 minutes on RZERC's website.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Danielle to confirm RZERC002 statements of understanding for Recommendations 1A, 1B, 1C, and 2B to ICANN org
- **ACTION ITEM:** Danielle to respond to ICANN org with clarifying comments for RZERC003 Recommendation 3
- **ACTION ITEM:** Tim April will synthesize a proposal of how to conduct the topic scoping exercise and send it to the RZERC membership

**Call to Order**

Tim April called the teleconference to order at 19:05 UTC.

**Roll Call**

Danielle Rutherford conducted a roll call.

**Agenda Review**

There were no amendments to the agenda for this meeting.

## **Administration**

### ***Draft Minutes from 15 June***

Tim April called for a vote on the draft minutes from the previous teleconference. There were no objections to the minutes and the minutes were approved.

- **ACTION ITEM: Danielle to publish approved 18 May 2021 minutes on RZERC's website.**

### ***Updated Board Advice understandings for RZERC002***

Tim April reviewed the updated statements of understanding from ICANN org for RZERC002 Recommendation 1A, 1B, 1C, and 2B. There were no comments from any of the RZERC members on the new statements of understanding and the understandings were approved.

- **ACTION ITEM: Danielle to confirm RZERC002 statements of understanding for Recommendations 1A, 1B, 1C, and 2B to ICANN org**

### ***Updated clarifying comments for RZERC003***

Danielle Rutherford reviewed draft text for clarifying comments on the RZERC003 statements of understanding from ICANN org. Kim Davies agreed with the text in the clarifying comments and confirmed the interpretation of some text in the clarifying comments with fellow Committee members.

Duane Wessels asked about the clarifying comment text in Recommendation 3. RZERC members discussed the appropriate intended audience in Recommendation 3. The RZERC determined the RZERC intended this as a recommendation to the broader community of software development. The appropriate action is for this to be taken up as an update to the standard specification of hyperlocal (i.e. RFC 8806). No further action by ICANN org directly is envisaged in this recommendation. ICANN org is not expected to wait for a conclusion on this recommendation to proceed with the other recommendations in RZERC003.

- **ACTION ITEM: Danielle to respond to ICANN org with clarifying comments for RZERC003 Recommendation 3**

## **Work Items**

### ***Topic Scoping Exercise***

Tim April shared his proposed plan for the RZERC to repeat the topic scoping exercise RZERC conducted in 2016 prior to the RZERC's Charter Review this year. The goal for this exercise would be to try and kick off between this meeting and the next meeting so that the RZERC can review the results prior to initiating the charter review process. Geoff Huston asked if this order was backwards, and that the RZERC should first conduct the charter review and then conduct the topic scoping exercise. Duane Wessels clarified the intent of the topic scoping exercise initially was to test the understanding and interpretation of the original RZERC charter. Peter Koch stated that he saw the topic scoping exercise as a stress test for the charter rather than a

wishlist of what the RZERC would like to do. Peter Koch agreed the topic scoping exercise should be conducted before the charter review.

Kim Davies stated that he would like one goal for the exercise is to come to consensus on the activities that can be considered routine, operational activities for PTI and/or Verisign and on the types of activities that clearly should go for RZERC review.

- **ACTION ITEM: Tim April will synthesize a proposal of how to conduct the topic scoping exercise and send it to the RZERC membership**

### **Adjournment**

The RZERC concluded the teleconference without objections at 20:02 UTC.