RSSAC Meeting Minutes
13 December 2022 | 15:00-16:30 UTC

Attendance

Cogent
DISA     John Augenstein
ICANN    Matt Larson
ISC      Fred Baker, Jeff Osborn
NASA     Tom Miglin
Netnod   Lars-Johan Liman
RIPE NCC Kaveh Ranjbar
UMD      Karl Reuss
USC ISI  Wes Hardaker
US ARL  Howard Kash, Ken Renard
Verisign Brad Verd
WIDE

Liaison to the Board   Wes Hardaker
Liaison to the CSC     Ken Renard
Liaison to the RZERC  
Liaison from the IAB   
Liaison from the SSAC  Russ Mundy
Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator
Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer Duane Wessels

Apologies   Daniel Migault and James Mitchell

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

Action Items from this Meeting:

● Staff to publish the minutes from the 1 November 2022 meeting
● Staff to send published minutes from the 1 November 2022 meeting to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list
● Staff to publish approved RSSAC work plan.
● Staff to send out a doodle poll to schedule a teleconference on KINDNS in January 2023.
● Staff to check with the ICANN legal team to understand the timeline on the bylaw changes about the appointment of RSSAC members by the ICANN Board (12.2(c)(ii)) and report back to RSSAC.
Call to Order
Fred Baker called the meeting to order at 15:00 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. Ken Renard asked to add an item to the agenda about ICANN76 plenary sessions. There were no objections or other requested additions.

Administration

Approval of Minutes
The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from the 1 November 2022 meeting. There were no abstentions or objections.

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RSSAC Chair Election
Ozan Sahin explained the rules of the electronic vote and the ranked choice voting system. Lars-Johan Liman and Jeff Osborn explained why they wanted to volunteer to serve in the RSSAC Chair position. A 72-hour online vote started during the meeting.

RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee Update
Jeff Osborn reported that the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee was in the process of reviewing RSSAC Caucus members to create a list of most active members for RSSAC’s consideration for the annual Caucus Membership Recognition.

Ozan Sahin reported that the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee reviewed all of the five candidates who volunteered to serve as the liaison to the ICANN Fellowship Mentoring Committee. Ozan briefly introduced all candidates to RSSAC based on their EOIs and SOIs and noted that the Membership Committee did not recommend any particular candidates to RSSAC as all five candidates were qualified for the role. A 72-hour online vote started during the meeting.
RSSAC Work Plan

Fred Baker stated that the RSSAC Admin Committee reviewed the annual RSSAC work plan and suggested one addition to the list which is beginning RSSAC047 review every two-three years around May. RSSAC approved the work plan as proposed. Motion by Wes Hardaker and second by Jeff Osborn. There were no abstentions or objections.

**ACTION ITEM:** Staff to publish approved RSSAC work plan.

RSSAC FAQ Update

Andrew McConachie gave an update on the RSSAC FAQ review process and reminded RSSAC members that a teleconference was scheduled for Thursday, 15 December to review the changes on the working document.

FY24 Additional Budget Requests

Ozan Sahin reported that the RSSAC Admin Committee could not identify any items for which RSSAC could submit a FY24 Additional Budget Request. Ozan invited RSSAC members to share with the RSSAC Admin Committee if they could think of any ABR items. Ozan also shared that ICANN org was offering two informational webinar sessions on 15 December about ICANN’s draft FY24 Plans and Budget.

Work Items

RSSAC001v2 Work Party

Duane Wessels reported that, during its most recent teleconference, the work party discussed the expectation for an RSO to serve root zone data as validly distributed by the RZM. Duane stated that the work party would be discussing how and where root server operators should publish their documentation in its upcoming meetings.

RSSAC002v5 Work Party

Ken Renard reported that the work party was in a little bit of a holding pattern waiting for a review of the metrics from non-RSO work party members. Ken added that the next work party meeting would be held on 12 January 2023.

KINDNS

Andrew McConachie explained that KINDNS was an ICANN initiative to promote voluntary security best practices for authoritative and recursive DNS operators. Andrew said the idea was a documentation exercise to see how RSOs or the whole RSS aligned with KINDNS as an initiative. Ken Renard invited RSSAC members to review the “General Platform Hardening Implementation Guidelines” and “Critical Zone Managers’ Implementation Guidelines” lists that
Andrew had put together. RSSAC agreed to have a teleconference in January 2023 to discuss KINDNS.

**ACTION ITEM:** Staff to send out a doodle poll to schedule a teleconference on KINDNS in January 2023.

**NomCom Review Implementation Update**

Ozan Sahin provided an update on the NomCom Review implementation process and reminded RSSAC members that Recommendation 7 would change RSSAC liaison’s service duration and Recommendation 9 would change the liaison’s status to a voting member. Ozan shared that RSSAC had provided input to this process by publishing RSSAC035: RSSAC Statement on the Draft Final Report of the Second Organizational Review of the Nominating Committee back in May 2018. Ozan added that a Public Comment proceeding on bylaw changes resulting from the implementation of the NomCom Review recommendations was expected around February 2023.

Lars-Johan Liman pointed out the circular relationship between the RSSAC, NomCom, and ICANN Board that would occur after RSSAC liaison gains a voting status following the bylaw changes. Therefore, Liman suggested that the bylaws requiring appointment of RSSAC members by the ICANN Board should also change.

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**Reports**

**Chair/Vice Chair**

Fred Baker and Ken Renard had no updates.

**ICANN Board**

Wes Hardaker reported that the ICANN Board would have a workshop in January 2023 and the hot topics included improving the ways of communication with SOs and ACs, new gTLD Subsequent Procedures, DNS abuse, and access to WHOIS data.

**CSC**

Ken Renard reported that the Customer Standing Committee November meeting was canceled due to a conflict with ICANN DNS Symposium and CSC would have its December meeting on 14th. Ken added that the SLAs were met 100%.
SSAC
Russ Mundy had no updates.

Root Zone Maintainer
Duane Wessels had no updates.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)
There were no updates.

Any Other Business
Ken Renard reported that the ICANN76 planning committee was looking for input from ICANN community groups on the three plenary topic proposals. Ken invited RSSAC members to indicate their preference if they had one.

RSSAC members and support staff thanked Fred Baker and expressed their gratitude for his leadership and contributions to the RSSAC and internet at large, as Fred’s term as the RSSAC chair was coming to an end by the end of 2022.

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 10 January 2023 at 15:00 UTC.

Adjournment
The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.