RSSAC Meeting Minutes
14 February 2023 | 15:00-16:30 UTC

Attendance

Cogent
DISA     John Augenstein
ICANN    Matt Larson
ISC      Jeff Osborn, Rob Carolina
NASA     Barbara Schleckser, Tom Miglin
Netnod
RIPE NCC Hans Petter Holen
UMD      Karl Reuss
USC ISI  Wes Hardaker, Suzanne Woolf
US ARL  Howard Kash, Ken Renard
Verisign Brad Verd
WIDE     Hiro Hotta

Liaison to the Board         Wes Hardaker
Liaison to the CSC          Ken Renard
Liaison to the RZERC       Daniel Migault
Liaison from the IAB       Daniel Migault
Liaison from the SSAC      Russ Mundy
Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator James Mitchell
Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer

Apologies       Duane Wessels
Observers        Erum Welling
Staff            Andrew McConachie, Ozan Sahin, and Steve Sheng

Action Items from this Meeting:

- Staff to publish the minutes from the 10 January 2023 meeting
- Staff to send published minutes from the 10 January 2023 meeting to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list
- Staff to add Zaher Qassrawi to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to start a 72-hour electronic vote to select the recipient of 2022 RSSAC Caucus recognition.
- Staff to start a 72-hour electronic vote to make the selection for liaison to the ICANN Fellowship Program Selection Committee.
• Staff to share draft RSS Information slide deck with RSSAC members for review and input.
• Staff to add RSS Messaging effort to the list of RSSAC Work Planning.
• Staff to add NomCom update to the agenda of the monthly RSSAC meeting.

Call to Order
Jeff Osborn called the meeting to order at 15:00 UTC.

Roll Call
Jeff Osborn conducted a roll call. Quorum was present to conduct the meeting and to take formal action, if necessary.

Agenda Review
Jeff Osborn reviewed the agenda. There were no objections or other requested additions.

Administration

Approval of Minutes
The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from the 10 January 2023 meeting. There were no abstentions or objections.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish the minutes from 10 January 2023 meeting.
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RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee Update
Jeff Osborn reported that the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee received an application from Zaher Qassrawi. Jeff stated that the recommendation from the Membership Committee was to accept this application.

The RSSAC accepted Zaher Qassrawi’s RSSAC Caucus membership application. There were no objections or abstentions.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to add Zaher Qassrawi to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.

Ozan Sahin reported that the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee shared a short list of four RSSAC Caucus members for 2022 RSSAC Caucus member recognition. Ozan added that RSSAC did not take a vote last year and decided to recognize all of the three short-listed candidates. Finally, it was agreed to start a 72-hour electronic vote to select the recipient of this recognition.
ACTION ITEM: Staff to start a 72-hour electronic vote to select the recipient of 2022 RSSAC Caucus recognition.

Ozan Sahin reported that there were three RSSAC Caucus members interested in serving on the ICANN Fellowship Program Selection Committee: Hafiz Farooq, Ali Hussain, and Gaurav Kansal. It was agreed to start a 72-hour electronic vote to make the selection for liaison to the ICANN Fellowship Program Selection Committee.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to start a 72-hour electronic vote to make the selection for liaison to the ICANN Fellowship Program Selection Committee.

ICANN76 Draft RSSAC Schedule

Registration and Health and Safety Requirements

Ozan Sahin reported that the registration deadline for ICANN76 in person participants was 8 March 2023. Ozan shared a link to a recent announcement with a summary of health and safety updates for ICANN76.

RSS Information Session

Andrew McConachie reported that the RSSAC Admin Committee suggested RSO representatives to present RSS Information slides rather than the support staff. Ken Renard supported the suggestion and volunteered to take part in the presentation. Jeff Osborn proposed for ICANN78 (Hamburg meeting) that RSSAC offers a session for non-technical audience that is followed by another one for technical audience. Andrew committed to share a draft RSS Information slide deck with RSSAC for review and input.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to share draft RSS Information slide deck with RSSAC members for review and input.

RSS Messaging

Jeff Osborn presented a slide deck explaining why RSSAC needed to work on and improve its messaging to the rest of the community. Jeff stated that a one-hour work session was scheduled at ICANN76 to discuss the topic further.

Russ Mundy agreed that the messaging needed improvement and gave the example of a cartoon show on DNS security to mitigate a similar problem that was identified on DNS security topic. Suzanne Woolf and Ken Renard emphasized the importance of the feedback loop in the process of improving RSSAC messaging and Ken suggested leveraging the ICANN Learn platform in this process. Adiel Akplogan told RSSAC that the ICANN org Technical Engagement team would be ready to work together in this initiative, if needed. Erum Welling suggested
encouraging individuals to talk to RSO representatives in anticipation that individuals could hesitate to ask RSS related questions in front of big audiences.

Knowledge-Sharing and Instantiating Norms for DNS and Naming Security (KINDNS)
Invited guest Adiel Akplogan, VP for Technical Engagement at ICANN, gave a presentation on the topic of KINDNS.

Work Items

RSSAC001v2 Work Party
Steve Sheng reported that the work party finished updating RSSAC001 during its most recent meeting. Steve added that the document would go through a review process as the next step and the work party would wait for the RFC7720 update to make sure both documents are published at the same time.

RSSAC002v5 Work Party
Ken Renard reported that the RSSAC001v2 work party and RSSAC002v5 work party were initially thought to be intertwined but they were recently broken apart to make sure the work parties could progress independently. Ken added that the next work party meeting would be held on 23 February 2023.

RSSAC Work Planning for 2023
Steve Sheng invited RSSAC members to review the planning document and provide feedback.

Steve also introduced a draft statement of work (SoW) proposed by an RSSAC Caucus member on the topic of Baseline Models for Outliers/Anomalies Detection in the DNS Root Server System. While discussing potential next steps for this SoW, Steve added that RSSAC was expecting Paul Hoffman to report on the RSSAC047 implementation in March 2023 and the RSSAC Admin team suggestion was to wait for at least six months to have RSSAC047 data ready before anything can be done with this data.

Given the direction to wait for RSSAC047 data, Wes Hardaker suggested forming a special interest group or mailing list to promote the use of research and brainstorm. Jeff Osborn requested RSS Messaging effort be added to the RSSAC Work Planning list.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to add RSS Messaging effort to the list of RSSAC Work Planning.
Reports

Chair/Vice Chair
Ken Renard highlighted the ICANN76 work session on security incident reporting and invited RSSAC members to review the draft statement of work and come prepared for this session.

ICANN Board
Wes Hardaker reported that the ICANN Board hot topics included WHOIS disclosure system and the new gTLD Subsequent Procedures. Wes added that the Board started the CEO search.

CSC
Ken Renard reported that the SLAs were not met 100% this time (by 0.4%) because of WHOIS availability due to denial of service.

RZERC
Daniel Migault reported that, in the January meeting, RZERC discussed the recommendation from RZERC003 to introduce ZONEMD as well as the RZERC charter review. Daniel added that RZERC support staff would be contacting RSSAC soon to offer a feedback session about the RZERC charter update.

IAB
Daniel Migault had no updates.

SSAC
Russ Mundy invited RSSAC members to reach out on (1) potential presentation topics for the DNSSEC and Security workshop and (2) the agenda and structure of the SSAC and RSSAC joint meeting.

IANA
James Mitchell reported that ICANN selected the members for the design team to evolve root zone security. James added that he would keep RSSAC informed about the progress of this design team.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)
Brad Verd reported that RSS GWG had a number of sessions scheduled at ICANN76 to make substantial progress.
Any Other Business

Hiro Hotta reported that NomCom meetings were not recorded due to confidentiality issues and therefore he missed some of the RSSAC and RSS GWG sessions at ICANN75 to attend NomCom sessions. Hiro added that open ICANN and PTI leadership positions for which NomCom would be making selections were announced in January. Hiro invited RSSAC members to consider applying for these positions before the 20 March 2023 deadline.

Jeff suggested adding Hiro’s update on NomCom to the monthly RSSAC meeting agenda as a regular report and Hiro agreed to be added.

**ACTION ITEM: Staff to add NomCom update to the agenda of the monthly RSSAC meeting.**

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 14 March 2023 at 14:00 UTC.

Adjournment

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.