

UASG Community Update

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Universal Acceptance

Agenda

- * Overview of UASG
- * UASG changes and status
- * Collaboration with UA WGs and ICANN community
- * Call to action



UASG History and Vision

1. UASG formation

Universal Acceptance Steering Group was started In 2015. First face to face meeting was in ICANN53

2. Vision

All domain names and all email addresses work in all software applications

UASG Charter

UASG Charter formed the entire functioning and governance of the steering group, including the rules for meeting, financial power, membership , scope etc.

UASG will provide advice and recommendations to ICANN organization to pursue the objectives of UASG

Full details are at: <https://uasg.tech/uasg-charter/>

UASG Charter

Charter for Chair

UASG Chair appointment is always through election for two year position. The primary authorities Chair has

- 1: Appoint WG Chair
2. Financial Approval

Full details are at:

<https://uasg.tech/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/07-Position-Description-Chair-UASG.pdf>

Charter for Vice Chair

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UASG Charter

Charter for Ambassadors

UA ambassadors are appointed by application process where leadership decides and appoints ambassador. Certificate is also issued to each ambassador.

Application for of UA ambassador is at:

<https://uasg.tech/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/UA-Ambassadors-18-01-15.pdf>

1. Face to Face meeting - Once a year
2. ICANN participation – Day Zero
3. Website – uasg.tech

Recent Changes in UASG

Elected Leadership from 13th March 2019

Chair



Dr. Ajay Data

Vice Chair



Mark Svancarek

Vice Chair



Dennis Tan Tanaka

Vice Chair



Dusan Stojicevic

UASG is Evolving and Transforming

UASG Strategic Action Plan

- * Working Groups (WGs)
 - * Action Items
 - * Charter
 - * Project / budget

UASG Working Groups

- * Communication
- * Technical
- * EAI
- * Measurement
- * Ambassador
- * Local Initiative

UASG Leadership Team

- * Elected Leadership

UASG Coordination Group

- * Elected Leadership
- * Chair and Vice Chairs of WGs
- * ICANN Org

ICANN Board IDN UA WG

- * ICANN UA Program Oversight

ICANN UA Program

- * ICANN Staff Support for UASG

UASG is Open and Transparent

Strategic Plan

- * Open/transparent process and involvement of community

Working Groups

- * Regular online calls
- * Open to participation
- * Entire working group discussions and actions taken are on [wiki](#)

F2F Sessions at ICANN Meetings

- * Open sessions. Everyone is welcome to attend

Community Updates

- * Quarterly updates through online calls. It was being done over email
- * Updates at ICANN meetings

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UA Work is Multi-stakeholder

UASG Members

- * 450+ members on UA Discuss email list
- * Additional specialized contributions through dedicated WG email lists

ALAC

- * RALOs involved to support UA communication

GAC

- * WG on Universal Acceptance



Dynamic Coalition on DNS Issues at IGF

- * Focus on UA

UASG Leadership, Ambassadors and WG Chairs



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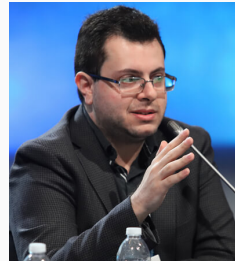
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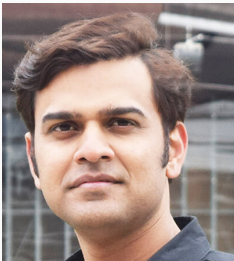
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UA Related Projects and Activities

- * Being implemented
 - * Commonwealth of Independent States and Eastern Europe (CIS-EE) Local Initiative
 - * Website evaluation for 20 countries
 - * UA readiness definition
 - * Training on EAI deployment
 - * Training on programming for UA ready applications using Java
- * Being finalized
 - * India Local Initiative
 - * UA readiness of open source applications
- * Being designed
 - * China and Egypt Local Initiatives
 - * UA readiness of content management systems
 - * Evaluation of Email tools and services which advertise UA support
 - * Evaluation of programming languages for UA readiness
 - * Messaging for UASG Stakeholders
- * UA Ambassadors outreach

UASG Encourages Constructive Discussion

Custodian

- * Uphold the charter and work within the boundaries

Difference of Opinion

- * Is okay

Rough Consensus

- * All major decision are sent to discuss list and coordination list before they are considered by UASG leadership



UASG Call to Action

Join WG

- * All WG are open and you can join

UA Discuss List

- * Open to discuss anything related to UA

Success Stories

- * Share successful stories of UA, we would like to learn from them



UASG Chair's Recent Blog Post-ICANN66

<https://uasg.tech/2019/12/universal-acceptance-continues-momentum-during-icann66/>



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