

## 2021-2025 MEAC Strategy Working Group

Minutes of Meeting – Call 13 | Monday 3 February 2020

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The 2021-2025 MEAC-SWG had their thirteenth teleconference call on Monday 3 February 2020 at 11.00 UTC.

On the call, we had *Rafik Dammak, Hadia Elminiawi, Baha Toman, Chokri Ben Romdhane, Fouad Bajwa, Hanan Alkhatib, Nabil Alkhamery, and Zakir Ben Rehman*. And from ICANN staff, the call had *Baher Esmat, Seher Sagiroglu, Magali Jean, and Fahd Batayneh*.

The agenda for the call was to discuss the input shared on the online Google Docs >> <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GG-ZSymhp3sM8EmHQ37FxXB9ybnID8DEfYRxedzdn4/edit>. The objective was to refine the input shared in the document so far, and try to finalize it into a set of GOALS and ACTIONS that are relevant for the region.

The Chair welcomed attendees to the call, and started with the Google Docs. He went through the input that was shared, and started refining it as discussions were held.

*Nabil Alkhamery* suggested developing frameworks for different security aspects of the DNS. ICANN Staff suggested that the DNS includes several dimensions. For example, work related to standards and protocols is done at the IETF, and that ICANN's OCTO follow such work. For root-servers and their instances, the 12 operators come together under the hood of ICANN's Root-Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC). Registries and Registrars can run their own systems provided they fulfill whatever compliance obligations they have. Nabil then spoke about ccTLDs and how they can all be on the same level of technical readiness. ICANN Staff suggested that while ICANN's policies are enforced on GTLDs to a great deal, it is not the same for ccTLDs as ccTLDs have the full authority as to how they build/run their infrastructure and business model.

The major part of the call was to discuss the wording and of the different ACTIONS suggested in the document. The objective was to develop wordings that were comprehensive yet concise and straight to the point.

Fahd B from ICANN Staff shared the following timelines:

- Finalize draft strategy document by **9 FEB 2020** and discuss on the 10 FEB 2020 call
- Issue draft strategy document for public comments on **Monday 17 FEB 2020**, and leave for 42 days until Friday 27 MAR 2020

On 10 FEB, a draft strategy document must be shared with ICANN's Comms team to push the work widely. SWG members were strongly requested to provide their input by the current weekend so that ICANN Staff have enough time to develop the draft report.

The next call for the SWG will be on Monday 10 February at 11.00 – 12.00 UTC. This call will discuss the draft strategy document.

The call was adjourned.

## Follow-Up Items

1. Continue to edit the Google document
2. Start work on the draft strategy document