

Root Server System Governance Working Group

Teleconference #4 | 16 April 2020 | 22:00 UTC

ATTENDANCE

RSS GWG

Joe Abley	SSAC Representative
Luis Espinoza	ccTLD Registries Representative
Ted Hardie	IAB Representative
Hiro Hotta	RSO Representative
Geoff Huston	IAB Representative
Lito Ibarra	Alternate Liaison from the ICANN Board
Peter Janssen	ccTLD Registries Representative
Brad Verd	RSO Representative
Kurt Pritz	gTLD Registries Representative
Naela Sarras	Liaison from the IANA
Tripti Sinha	Liaison from the ICANN Board
Duane Wessels	Liaison from Root Zone Maintainer
Hanyu Yang	gTLD Registries Representative

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Paul Hoffman
Becky Nash
Wendy Profit
Carlos Reyes
Mary Wong

Absences

Lars-Johan Liman RSO Representative

MINUTES

Call to Order

Ted Hardie called the teleconference to order at 22:02 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.

Administration

Carlos Reyes reviewed the draft minutes of teleconference #3 on 2 April 2020. There were no objections to publish the minutes.

ACTION ITEM: Carlos Reyes to publish the approved minutes on the RSS GWG workspace.

Carlos Reyes provided an update on the private workspace and how to access it. Carlos Reyes also reviewed a proposed schedule for developing reports to the ICANN Board Technical Committee (BTC).

DECISION: With the assistance of support staff, Ted Hardie will develop the reports to the BTC and provide them to the RSS GWG for awareness before submitting them to the BTC.

Source Documents

The RSS GWG discussed “RSSAC047: RSSAC Advisory on Metrics for the DNS Root Servers and Root Server System” as a potential source document that constrain the output of the RSS GWG. The RSS GWG agreed that RSSAC047 may be a better reference document for future functions established through its work. The RSS GWG also discussed “RSSAC049: RSSAC Statement on Joining the Empowered Community” and agreed that this input may be relevant as it considers amendments to the ICANN Bylaws.

Scenarios and Scope

Ted Hardie asked the RSS GWG to consider hypothetical scenarios as an approach to determine its scope of work. Kurt Pritz suggested that the RSS GWG may want to determine the scope of work based on risk. Joe Abley stated that a governance model should be able to address a limited set of primitives. Paul Hoffman noted that the RSS GWG should consider how the functions respond to technical changes; Hanyu Yang agreed. Geoff Huston remarked that the RSS GWG may want to think about governance in more abstract terms and about the impact of governance on the independence and autonomy of root server operators. Ted Hardie also noted that there are various pressures—namely, financial, organizational, and technical—that provide a framework for a set of actions that the governance model should address. Ted Hardie asked Geoff Huston to continue this discussion on the RSS GWG mailing list.

ACTION ITEM: Geoff Huston to continue the discussion about scenarios and scope on the RSS GWG mailing list.

Ongoing RSSAC Work on the Financial Function

Brad Verd provided an update on current RSSAC discussions about the financial function outlined in RSSAC037. The output of this work will be provided to the RSS GWG as input to its deliberations. Geoff Huston encouraged dialogue between the RSS GWG and RSSAC on this matter.

Any Other Business

Carlos Reyes reviewed the action items and the date of the next teleconference. There were no additional agenda items.

Adjournment

Ted Hardie adjourned the teleconference at 23:01 UTC.