ATTENDANCE

**RSS GWG**
Kim Davies  
Luis Diego Espinoza  
Ted Hardie  
Hiro Hotta  
Geoff Huston  
Lars-Johan Liman  
Akinori Maemura  
Kurt Pritz  
Tripti Sinha  
Brad Verd  
Duane Wessels  
Suzanne Woolf  

Liaison from the IANA  
ccTLD Registries Representative  
IAB Representative  
RSO Representative  
IAB Representative  
RSO Representative  
Alternate Liaison from the ICANN Board  
gTLD Registries Representative  
Liaison from the ICANN Board  
RSO Representative  
Liaison from the RZM  
SSAC Representative

**Absences**
Hanyu Yang  
gTLD Registries Representative

**ICANN org**
Sam Eisner  
Paul Hoffman  
Wendy Profit  
Carlos Reyes  
Mary Wong
MINUTES

Call to Order
Ted Hardie called the teleconference to order at 22:05 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.

Administration
Carlos Reyes reviewed the draft minutes for teleconference 39 on 17 February 2022. There were no objections to publishing the draft minutes.

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

Review Appointment Letter to RSOs via RSSAC
Ted Hardie reviewed the appointment letter to the root server operators (RSOs) which he sent via the Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC). This appointment letter was based on the appointment letter from 2019. Ted Hardie sent it to the RSSAC leaders and copied the GWG mailing list.

Discuss Draft Resolution for Working Method of Consensus
Ted Hardie reviewed the draft resolution to adopt consensus as the working method of the GWG. The text in the resolution is based on the GWG charter:

Resolved, the Root Service System Governance Working Group will operate henceforth solely on the basis of consensus. For the purposes of RSS GWG work and outcomes, consensus is defined as general agreement without any formal objections.

Carlos Reyes conducted a roll call vote. There were no objections. Hanyu Yang approved the resolution in an email on 2 March 2022. The GWG approved the resolution unanimously.

Discuss Work Plan Revisions
Luis Diego Espinoza asked if the revised work plan considered potential delays waiting for RSO input. Ted Hardie clarified that hopefully that will not happen since the remaining RSOs are joining the GWG. The work plan cannot foresee every issue, such as resolving input from Public Comment. Paul Hoffman explained that the Public Comment process is typically 6-8 weeks. Carlos Reyes clarified that the GWG can adjust its work plan. Kurt Pritz asked if there are specific milestones for each teleconference to ensure the GWG remains on track.
Ted Hardie asked the ICANN Board liaison and alternate liaison if the proposed work plan aligned with the expectations of the ICANN Board. Tripti Sinha noted that the work plan was reasonable; Akinori Maemura. Ted Hardie agreed to include the revised work plan in a response to the ICANN Board letter from 16 February 2022. Tripti Sinha emphasized the importance of getting this work done right rather than rushing to meet a timeline. Suzanne Woolf noted that the work plan may change when upcoming GWG membership changes are effected.

**Discuss GWG Reply to ICANN Board Letter**

Ted Hardie reminded the GWG that the ICANN Board requested a report in its recent letter. Tripti Sinha explained that the GWG reply will go to the ICANN Board. Then the ICANN Board chair who will refer it to the ICANN Board Root Server System Governance Caucus. Ted Hardie agreed to write the first draft of the reply for the consideration of the GWG.

**ACTION ITEM:** Ted Hardie to write the first draft of the reply to the ICANN Board.

**Any other business**

Ted Hardie confirmed that the next teleconference will be Thursday, 10 March 2022 at 22:00 UTC. However, if the GWG approves the reply to the ICANN Board before that date, then there will be no need for a teleconference.

There were no additional agenda items.

**Adjournment**

Ted Hardie adjourned the teleconference at 22:33 UTC.