Root Server System Governance Working Group
Teleconference #41 | 24 March 2021 | 22:00 UTC

ATTENDANCE

RSS GWG

Fred Baker	RSOs
Kim Davies	Liaison from the IANA
Wes Hardaker	RSOs
Ted Hardie	IAB
Hiro Hotta	RSOs
Geoff Huston	IAB
Lars-Johan Liman	RSOs
Akinori Maemura	Alternate Liaison from the ICANN Board
Kurt Pritz	gTLD Registries
Ashwin Rangan	RSOs
Kaveh Ranjbar	RSOs
Ken Renard	RSOs
Karl Reuss	RSOs
Barbara Schleckser	RSOs
Ryan Stephenson	RSOs
Tripti Sinha	Liaison from the ICANN Board
Brad Verd	RSOs
Duane Wessels	Liaison from the RZM

Excused

Luis Diego Espinoza	ccTLD Registries
Suzanne Woolf	SSAC

Absences

Paul Vixie	RSOs
Hanyu Yang	gTLD Registries

ICANN org

Sam Eisner
Paul Hoffman
Carlos Reyes

Mary Wong

MINUTES

Call to Order
Ted Hardie called the teleconference to order at 22:04 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.

Review Draft Minutes of Teleconference 40
Carlos Reyes reviewed the draft minutes for teleconference 40 on 24 February 2022. There were no objections to publishing the draft minutes.

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

Welcome New Members and Introductions
Ted Hardie welcomed the new members, denoted with an asterisk (*), and asked all GWG to introduce themselves: Fred Baker*, Kim Davies, Wes Hardaker*, Ted Hardie, Hiro Hotta, Geoff Huston, Lars-Johan Liman, Akinori Maemura, Kurt Pritz, Ashwin Rangan*, Kaveh Ranjbar*, Ken Renard*, Karl Reuss*, Ryan Stephenson*, Tripti Sinha, Brad Verd, and Duane Wessels. Carlos Reyes introduced Luis Diego Espinoza, Paul Vixie*, Suzanne Woolf, and Hanyu Yang in absentia. Carlos Reyes also introduced ICANN org support for the GWG: Sam Eisner, Paul Hoffman, and Mary Wong, and two observers: Robert Carolina and Jeff Osborn. Barbara Schleckser* introduced herself later in the teleconference.

Review Process for Teleconference Observers
Ted Hardie asked the GWG what its process should be for allowing observers on teleconferences. Fred Baker explained that he had no objections to observers and suggested that observers should coordinate their input with GWG members that represent their organization. Wes Hardaker suggested defining the role of observers and opening GWG teleconferences to observer participation. Lars-Johan Liman noted that the GWG should specifically call on observers. Ryan Stephenson asked what would happen if an observer raised their hand. Ted Hardie explained that the observer should chat with a GWG member, and the GWG member could ask the chair to recognize the observer.

Ted Hardie asked for a vote on the proposal to allow observers who may only speak when recognized by the chair. Fred Baker asked if the vote would overturn an existing GWG practice, and Ted Hardie clarified that the vote would establish a practice. Fred Baker, Wes Hardaker,

Lars Johan-Liman, Kurt Pritz, Ashwin Rangan, Kaveh Ranjbar, Ken Renard, Karl Reuss, and Brad Verd voted in favor of the proposal. Ted Hardie, Geoff Huston, and Ryan Stephenson abstained. Luis Diego Espinoza, Barbara Schleckser, Paul Vixie, Suzanne Woolf, and Hanyu Yang did not object over email. The GWG adopted the proposal.

Review Upcoming Membership Changes
Carlos Reyes reminded the GWG of upcoming membership changes. The Country Code Names Supporting Organization will fill the existing vacancy from the ccTLD registries in late March 2022, and the Internet Architecture Board will replace Ted Hardie in May 2022.

Review GWG Chair Election Process and Timeline
Carlos Reyes reminded the GWG of the upcoming GWG chair election process and asked the GWG if it would consider revising the timeline to allow for the onboarding of the new GWG member from the ccTLD registries. Lars-Johan Liman stated that this adjustment would be gracious. There were no objections. The revised timeline is: one-week nomination period that will open on Monday, 4 April and close on Monday, 11 April. The 72-hour voting period will open on Tuesday, 12 April and close on Friday, 15 April.

ACTION ITEM: Carlos Reyes to distribute the revised timeline and conduct the election process.

Consider Standing Day and Time of Teleconferences
Carlos Reyes asked the GWG if it would like to adjust its standing day (Thursday) and time (22:00 UTC) for its teleconferences every other week. Ted Hardie noted that the growth in membership has not changed the geographic distribution of the GWG. Lars-Johan Liman proposed keeping the current arrangement. There were no objections.

Discuss Next Phase of Work
Ted Hardie asked the GWG how it would like to proceed with its work. Brad Verd suggested writing a proposal based on the success criteria. Fred Baker asked for more information about all previous proposals considered by the GWG. Brad Verd withdrew the previous suggestion and endorsed the approach suggested by Fred Baker. Ted Hardie explained that the GWG discussed three proposals initially but only developed one proposal in detail. Wes Hardaker remarked about the difficulty of understanding intent for different proposals. Lars-Johan Liman suggested a consistent approach. Ted Hardie agreed to schedule an upcoming teleconference to review the three proposals considered by the GWG.

ACTION ITEM: Ted Hardie and Carlos Reyes to coordinate the agenda of an upcoming teleconference to review the three proposals considered by the GWG.

Discuss Potential In-Person Work Session(s) During ICANN74

Ted Hardie noted that the upcoming ICANN74 Policy Forum provides an opportunity for the GWG to conduct in-person work sessions with remote participation available to GWG members who cannot be present. Brad Verd, Lars-Johan Liman, and Fred Baker expressed their support. Geoff Huston and Ryan Stephenson noted that they will not be attending ICANN74. Ashwin Rangan advised the GWG to provide its request as soon as possible. Ted Hardie suggested contacting all GWG members to confirm their plans.

ACTION ITEM: Carlos Reyes to ask GWG members about their expected participation in ICANN74.

Any Other Business

There were no additional agenda items. The next teleconference will be Thursday, 7 April 2022 at 22:00 UTC.

Adjournment

Ted Hardie adjourned the teleconference at 22:57 UTC.