

Root Server System Governance Working Group

Teleconference 50 | Thursday, 20 October 2022 | 22:00 UTC

ATTENDANCE

RSS GWG

Fred Baker	RSOs
Kim Davies	Liaison from the IANA
Wes Hardaker	RSOs
Hiro Hotta	RSOs
Peter Koch	ccTLD Registries
Lars-Johan Liman	RSOs
Kurt Pritz	gTLD Registries
Ashwin Rangan	RSOs
Jim Reid	IAB
Ken Renard	RSOs
Karl Reuss	RSOs
Ryan Stephenson	RSOs
Brad Verd	RSOs
Paul Vixie	RSOs
Duane Wessels	Liaison from the RZM

Excused

Geoff Huston	IAB
Carlos Reyes	ICANN org

Absent

Luis Diego Espinoza	ccTLD Registries
Kaveh Ranjbar	RSOs
Barbara Schleckser	RSOs
Suzanne Woolf	SSAC
Hanyu Yang	gTLD Registries

Observers

John Augenstein	RSOs
Robert Carolina	RSOs
David Conrad	RSOs
Andrew Kimble	RSOs
Jeff Osborn	RSOs
Erum Welling	RSOs
Samantha Eisner	ICANN org
Andrea Glandon	ICANN org
Paul Hoffman	ICANN org
David Olive	ICANN org
Mary Wong	ICANN org

MINUTES

Call to Order

Brad Verd called the teleconference to order at 22:03 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.

Administration

Andrea Glandon reviewed the draft minutes of teleconference 49 on 8 September 2022. There were no objections to publishing the draft minutes.

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

Brad Verd confirmed the dates of the upcoming GWG workshop: 6-8 December 2022. Andrea Glandon informed the GWG that the travel support process will begin shortly. GWG members who did not request travel support may begin making their own arrangements. David Olive confirmed the address of the host hotel.

Brad Verd thanked the GWG for the productive work sessions in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and reviewed the schedule of GWG teleconferences until the GWG workshop in early December 2022. Brad Verd committed to having a draft agenda for the GWG workshop by 17 November 2022 to give GWG members time to prepare. The teleconferences on 1 and 15 December 2022 will be canceled.

Draft RSS Governance Principles

The discussion today will focus on the process leading up to the GWG workshop by reviewing the outputs of the work sessions in Kuala Lumpur. Ashwin Rangan asked for clarification about the “mini-Helsinki Process” term. Brad Verd explained that the briefing document for the work sessions in Kuala Lumpur introduced the work method of grouping topics for focused discussions and referenced the appendix of the draft RSS governance principles.

Wes Hardaker commented on the productive work sessions in Kuala Lumpur and asked about the vision for what comes next. Brad Verd explained that the GWG is trying to define principles that will lead to a functional document. The next phase of discussions will explore the details in the three broad topics of separation and balance of powers, designation and removal of RSOs, and finances. Wes Hardaker thanked Brad Verd for the outline. Ashwin Rangan agreed that the discussions in Kuala Lumpur were substantive. Lars-Johan Liman agreed with moving deliberately through the subjects. Kurt Pritz encouraged the GWG to review the draft principles and then link them to a governance function.

Jeff Osborn noted that the GWG worked better in person. Brad Verd suggested a cadence of workshops in between ICANN Public Meetings could help the GWG sustain its work and momentum. For example, the next GWG workshop may be after ICANN76 in Cancun, Mexico.

Ashwin Rangan asked if there would be required reading ahead of the December 2022 workshop. Brad Verd noted that there could be suggested preparatory material to review. The goal is to emerge from the workshop with a good set of principles.

Any Other Business

There were no additional agenda items.

Adjournment

Brad Verd adjourned the teleconference at 22:46 UTC.