Root Server System Governance Working Group
Teleconference 75 | Thursday, 8 August 2024 | 22:00 UTC

ATTENDANCE

RSS GWG
Edmon Chung	Liaison from the ICANN Board (Alternate)
Luis Diego Espinoza	ccTLD registries
Hiro Hotta	RSOs
Geoff Huston	IAB
Lars-Johan Liman	RSOs
Jeff Osborn	RSOs
Ken Renard	RSOs
Brad Verd	RSOs
Duane Wessels	Liaison from the RZM
Suzanne Woolf	SSAC

Excused
Kim Davies	Liaison from the IANA
Wes Hardaker	RSOs
Christian Kaufmann	Liaison from the ICANN Board
Peter Koch	ccTLD registries
Ashwin Rangan	RSOs
Karl Reuss	RSOs

Absent
John Augenstein	RSOs
Hans Petter Holen	RSOs
Kurt Pritz	gTLD registries
Jim Reid	IAB
Barbara Schleckser	RSOs
Paul Vixie	RSOs
Hanyu Yang	gTLD registries

Observers
Robert Carolina	RSOs

ICANN staff support
Carlos Reyes

MINUTES

Call to Order
Brad Verd called the teleconference to order at 22:06 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.

Administration
The RSS GWG reviewed the draft minutes of teleconference 74. There were no objections to publishing the draft minutes.

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

What are the stages to achieve a turnkey model?
Brad Verd reminded the RSS GWG that the previous discussion focused on RSS GS Council decision-making. John Crain stated that moving the discussion forward on this teleconference would be good, but without a critical mass of members present, then the RSS GWG may revisit the same content later. Brad Verd said the goal for this exercise is to define the first stage of the RSS GS so that the RSS GWG can develop its recommendations. The RSS GS will have the challenge of addressing specific details in the initial stages. Peter Koch asked for clarity about where the work of the RSS GWG ends and where the work of the RSS GS begins. Brad Verd explained that the RSS GS will have to make its own decisions because the RSS GWG is merely developing recommendations.

Peter Koch asked who approves the transition of the RSS GS from one stage to another. Brad Verd stated that it is certainly not the responsibility of the RSS GWG. Samantha Eisner stated that this issue highlights the need for designing the RSS GS with clear lines of accountability. Hans Petter Holen agreed that after it delivers its recommendations, the RSS GWG is not responsible for the evolution of the RSS GS. Furthermore, if the RSS GS is established within ICANN, then ICANN can serve that function because it already has accountability mechanisms. If the RSS GS is established outside of ICANN, then the RSS GWG will have to design accountability mechanisms. Brad Verd referred to the previous discussion about the RSS GS Council having decision-making power, so it would have to approve the transition of the RSS GS from one stage to the next. Peter Koch said the question may have been premature, and it is fine that this discussion remains open. Brad Verd reiterated that the RSS GWG had not reached a conclusion about decision-making power yet.

Hans Petter Holen summarized the discussion: It is the responsibility of the RSS GWG to develop recommendations for the establishment of the RSS GS. The RSS GWG may have recommendations beyond that initial stage, but it will be up to the RSS GS to consider them. Brad Verd encouraged the RSS GWG to think more about this, noting that it already has a lot of the necessary documentation for its eventual recommendations.

Any Other Business
There were no additional agenda items.

Adjournment
Brad Verd adjourned the teleconference at 22:38 UTC.