

## Root Server System Governance Working Group

Teleconference #38 | 27 January 2021 | 22:00 UTC

### ATTENDANCE

#### **RSS GWG**

Kim Davies	Liaison from the IANA
Ted Hardie	IAB Representative
Hiro Hotta	RSO Representative
Geoff Huston	IAB Representative
Lars-Johan Liman	RSO Representative
Akinori Maemura	Alternate Liaison from the ICANN Board
Kurt Pritz	gTLD Registries Representative
Tripti Sinha	Liaison from the ICANN Board
Brad Verd	RSO Representative
Duane Wessels	Liaison from the RZM
Suzanne Woolf	SSAC Representative
Hanyu Yang	gTLD Registries Representative

#### **Absences**

Luis Diego Espinoza	ccTLD Registries Representative
Hanyu Yang	gTLD Registries Representative

#### **ICANN org**

Adiel Akplogan  
Sam Eisner  
Paul Hoffman  
David Olive  
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 minutes for teleconference 37 on 13 January 2022. There were no objections to publishing the draft minutes.

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

### **Review of RSSAC058**

Paul Hoffman noted the expectation that tensions between success criteria may exist. Ted Hardie led a review of RSSAC058, including specific discussions about root server operator (RSO) accountability. Brad Verd and Lars-Johan Liman clarified the balance required between root server system (RSS) governance and RSO independence. Suzanne Woolf explained the need for criteria and structures to have the opportunity to evolve. Ted Hardie suggested that RSS governance should be able to handle scenarios such as acquisition. Ted Hardie also reviewed success criteria related to organizational, operational, and technical diversity. Ted Hardie asked about transferability. Sam Eisner noted that RSS governance includes assessing the fitness of potential RSOs. Ted Hardie suggested that legal input will be necessary and some transfers may even require collective community action.

### **Any other business**

Ted Hardie asked Tripti Sinha about the status of the ICANN Board response to the GWG letter from 17 January 2022. Tripti Sinha noted that the ICANN Board was working on its response.

There were no additional agenda items.

### **Adjournment**

Ted Hardie adjourned the teleconference at 22:47 UTC.