

## RSSAC Meeting Minutes

7 January 2020 | 15:00-16:30 UTC

### Attendance

Cogent	Paul Vixie
DISA	Kevin Wright, Ryan Stephenson
ICANN	Matt Larson
ISC	Fred Baker, Jeff Osborn
NASA	Keith Bluestein, Tom Miglin
Netnod	Lars-Johan Liman
RIPE NCC	Kaveh Ranjbar
UMD	Karl Reuss
USC ISI	Wes Hardaker, Suzanne Woolf
US ARL	Ken Renard
Verisign	Brad Verd, Matt Weinberg
WIDE	Hiro Hotta

Liaison to the Board	Kaveh Ranjbar
Liaison to the CSC	Lars-Johan Liman
Liaison to the RZERC	Brad Verd
Liaison from the SSAC	Russ Mundy
Liaison from the IAB	Daniel Migault
Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator	Naela Sarras
Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer	Duane Wessels

Staff            Andrew McConachie, Carlos Reyes, Danielle Rutherford, Ozan Sahin, and Steve Sheng

### Action Items from this Meeting:

- Staff to publish the minutes from 3 December 2019 teleconference.
- Staff to send published minutes from 3 December 2019 teleconference to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to notify ICANN org as well as the applicants on the RSSAC decision regarding ICANN Fellowship Program Mentor.
- Staff to send RSSAC2 Organizational Review Detailed Implementation Plan to ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee.
- Andrew McConachie to share the updated version of RSSAC002v4 on the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to circulate the list of potential work items on the RSSAC Caucus list in order to receive input on how these items should be prioritized.

- Ozan Sahin to reach out to ICANN Meetings and Travel Teams to see if the notice period could be extended to the end of January 2020 for the potential RSSAC Spring 2020 Workshop.
- Brad Verd and Lars-Johan Liman to draft an RSSAC statement on the RSSAC next generation's addition to the Empowered Community.
- Ozan Sahin to work with the CSC support staff to minimize conflicts on the ICANN67 schedule.

### **Call to Order**

Fred Baker called the meeting to order at 15:00 UTC.

### **Roll Call**

Fred Baker conducted a roll call. Quorum was present to conduct the meeting and to take formal action, if necessary.

### **Agenda Review**

Fred Baker reviewed the agenda and there was no objection or requested additions.

### **Administration**

### **Approval of Minutes**

The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from the 3 December 2019 teleconference.

**ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish the minutes from 3 December 2019 teleconference.**

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### **RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee Composition for 2020**

Fred Baker noted that the members of the 2019 RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee, Alejandro Acosta, Dave Lawrance, and Matt Weinberg, were all interested to serve in 2020 RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee. Fred Baker added that the RSSAC Vice Chair (Brad Verd) was the ex officio member of the Committee. The RSSAC decided that all members of the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee would continue their service in 2020.

### **ICANN Fellowship Program Mentor Selection**

Ozan Sahin provided a background on the ICANN Fellowship Mentoring Program and gave some information about the following seven applicants highlighting their statements of interest: Anupam Agrawal, Ramanou Biaou, Harish Chowdhary, Abdalmonem Galila, Ihtisham Khalid, Dessalegn Yehuala, and Rao Naveed Bin Rais.

Following discussion on the applicants the RSSAC selected Rao Naveed Bin Rais as the ICANN Fellowship Program Mentor for the three ICANN public meetings starting with ICANN68 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Motion by Lars-Johan Liman and second by Wes Hardaker.

**ACTION ITEM: Staff to notify ICANN org as well as the applicants on the RSSAC decision.**

### **RSSAC2 Organizational Review Detailed Implementation Plan**

Carlos Reyes provided a background on the RSSAC2 Organizational Review which had been conducted in 2017 and the RSSAC actions on the recommendations that came out of this review. Carlos reminded the group that RSSAC had accepted six recommendations after its review. Carlos added that, of the six recommendations, two had been completed, two were ongoing activities which could get closed out, and one of the final two were related to the membership structure of the RSSAC and the other one was about improving the RSSAC Caucus. Carlos noted that the RSSAC stated both of those two were tied to any changes that would come out of the evolution of root server system governance. Carlos explained that if the RSSAC approved the proposed implementation plan staff would send it to ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee (OEC).

The RSSAC approved the RSSAC2 Organizational Review Detailed Implementation Plan. Motion by Lars-Johan Liman and second by Paul Vixie.

**ACTION ITEM: Staff to send RSSAC2 Organizational Review Detailed Implementation Plan to ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee.**

### **Work Items**

#### **KSK Rollover Public Comment Input**

Andrew McConachie reported that he had created a straw-man document based on the comments on the mailing list and thanked everyone who contributed. Andrew pointed out the teleconference on 8 January 2020 during which further discussion would take place. Brad Verd suggested finalizing the document within a week and then going through the stable and voting periods. Fred Baker and Russ Mundy agreed with Brad Verd.

#### **RSS Metrics Work Party Update**

Duane Wessels reported that the work party had a call in December 2019 after which Work Party Co-Chairs and support staff finalized the document and put out version four for final Caucus review. Duane pointed out the deadline for this review, 10 January 2020, and a planned vote on the RSSAC February monthly call.

## **Modern Resolver Behavior Work Party Update**

Fred Baker reminded the RSSAC that he shared a report drafted by Paul Hoffman regarding the work of the Modern Resolver Behavior Work Party on the RSSAC Caucus mailing list. Fred invited the RSSAC members to share their feedback on this document.

## **Publication Updates: RSSAC002v4, RSSAC023v2, RSSAC026v2**

Andrew McConachie reported that RSSAC Caucus had a meeting to update RSSAC002v4 just before the RSSAC monthly teleconference and the group was close to finishing it up after working on a few action items.

**ACTION ITEM: Andrew McConachie to share the updated version of RSSAC002v4 on the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.**

Andrew continued that the RSSAC Caucus had a meeting to update RSSAC023v2 the previous day. Andrew noted that he expected to have another call to finalize this document. Lastly, Andrew added that RSSAC026v2 was in a holding pattern until the metrics document came out and the plan was to publish both of the documents at the same time to ensure the alignment of terminology.

## **Future Work Items**

Fred Baker talked about the list of potential RSSAC work items, which was created approximately two years ago, and expressed the need to edit the list. Paul Vixie noted the importance of the list as it came through the RSSAC Caucus.

Steve Sheng mentioned that the potential work items on the list were divided into five categories. Lars-Johan Liman discussed that Rogue Operators item could be taken care of by the strategic planning function proposed in the new model.

Wes Hardaker suggested sending an email to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list with the list of potential work items in order to get input on how to prioritize them.

Regarding this email, Daniel Migault suggested to provide an opportunity for the RSSAC Caucus members to indicate their willingness to take the pen on any of the work items on the list and indicate their commitment.

Lars-Johan Liman supported the idea of having a workshop and suggested the Chair Fred Baker to appoint a group of RSSAC members to work on the workshop agenda. Paul Vixie stressed that organizing a workshop made sense to him. Given the deadlines of providing notice to ICANN Meetings and Travel teams, Paul suggested the RSSAC to determine whether to hold a workshop in spring based on the input from the RSSAC Caucus on potential work items.

**ACTION ITEM: Staff to circulate the list of potential work items on the RSSAC Caucus list in order to receive input on how these items should be prioritized.**

**ACTION ITEM: Ozan Sahin to reach out to ICANN Meetings and Travel Teams to see if the notice period could be extended to the end of January 2020 for the potential RSSAC Spring 2020 Workshop.**

Lars-Johan Liman mentioned that he could attend the workshop if it was held from 14 April to 16 April 2020. Paul Vixie noted that he could also attend the workshop on the same dates if it was held in Amsterdam. Kaveh Ranjbar confirmed that RIPE NCC could support an RSSAC workshop to be held in Amsterdam from 14 April to 16 April 2020.

### **Joining the Empowered Community**

Fred Baker noted that there had been push back in the past on having the RSSAC be a member of the Empowered Community as an advisory committee. Fred discussed that, from his perspective, it would be good for the RSSAC next generation to be part of the Empowered Community.

Brad Verd reminded the group that while creating RSSAC037 and RSSAC038 there were discussions supporting the idea of being able to exercise some Empowered Community powers if contracts would be involved at some point in the Root Server System (RSS) Evolution process. Brad discussed that if the RSSAC members had a consensus on being a member of the Empowered Community then it would be important to make a statement so that RSS Governance Working Group (GWG) would know that going forward. Brad pointed out a recent letter from the ASO to the ICANN Board requesting an inspection, as an example of how the Empowered Community powers could be exercised. Brad also added that the issue of having a circular relationship between the ICANN Board and the RSSAC members had been resolved with bylaw changes.

Lars-Johan Liman agreed with Brad and thought that the right party, which was still undefined, had to be a member of the Empowered Community. Lars-Johan brought up that a statement from the RSSAC would be helpful for the GWG and suggested drafting a document with Brad Verd for the RSSAC to discuss in its next monthly meeting. Brad supported the idea.

**ACTION ITEM: Brad Verd and Lars-Johan Liman to draft an RSSAC statement on the RSSAC next generation's addition to the Empowered Community.**

### **2020 RSSAC Workshop Planning**

Ozan Sahin reminded the RSSAC members to complete the doodle poll on potential workshop days. There were no other discussions as this item had already been covered while discussing "Future Work Items".

### **ICANN67 Draft Schedule**

Ozan Sahin introduced the preliminary ICANN67 schedule for the RSSAC. Lars-Johan Liman asked staff to ensure the link to the schedule was accessible and/or readable by the RSSAC

members so that he could check it to avoid potential conflicts with the Customer Standing Committee (CSC) sessions.

**ACTION ITEM: Ozan Sahin to work with the CSC support staff to minimize conflicts on the ICANN67 schedule.**

Fred Baker asked to avoid a conflict between the DNSSEC Workshop and the RSSAC Administrative meeting on Wednesday, if possible.

## **Reports**

### **Co-Chairs**

Fred Baker reported that SO/AC Chairs would be meeting on 27 and 28 January 2020.

### **ICANN Board**

Kaveh Ranjbar reported that the ICANN Board would have a workshop in Los Angeles starting from Friday, 24 January 2020. Kaveh noted that there were no RSSAC related items on the agenda although he expected GWG composition to be discussed during the meeting.

### **CSC**

Lars-Johan Liman reported that the Customer Standing Committee was discussing its remit and the list of items that the committee monitored, including DNSSEC parameters.

### **RZERC**

Brad Verd reported that the RZERC was not going to comment on the KSK plan presented by the IANA. Brad added that the RZERC was working through its work plan for the year.

### **SSAC**

Russ Mundy expressed his thanks to the RSSAC for supporting the SSAC comments on the Post Quantum Crypto comment proceeding. Russ pointed out another public comment exercise, Proposal for Future Root Zone KSK Rollovers, where the RSSAC and the SSAC had also worked together while drafting their responses. Russ noted that the SSAC was considering the possibility of asking for insight as the plan shared with the community was a high-level abstract. Russ wondered whether RSSAC would want to join with a request to see any subsequent documents produced by the PTI. Fred Baker responded that he would personally be interested to see additional documents. Brad Verd added that it would be nice if the statements from the RSSAC and the SSAC regarding the KSK rollover proposal were not in contradiction.

## **IAB**

Daniel Migault reported that the IAB published the list of volunteers for its representatives to the RSS Governance Working Group (GWG). Daniel added that 13 January was the deadline to provide feedback on the volunteers.

## **IANA Functions Operator**

Naela Sarras had no update.

## **Root Zone Maintainer**

Duane Wessels had no update.

## **Any Other Business**

Kaveh Ranjbar reported that the decision for the ASO to exercise one of the Empowered Community powers was taken by the NRO Executive Council (EC) which consisted of CEOs of the five RIRs. Kaveh noted that he was representing the RIPE NCC in NRO EC while, at the same time, being the liaison to the ICANN Board from the RSSAC. Kaveh explained that, due to the conflict of interest in this situation, he did not take part in the decision-making process and informed involved parties accordingly.

## **Adjournment**

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.