

ccNSO: TLD-OPS Standing Committee and Security Subgroup report at ICANN74, by Ali

Open the session, the TLD-OPS Standing Committee chair (Jacque Latour) started with introduction on why TLD-OPS exists and what actions have been done so far. TLD-OPS counts 390 contacts, over 200 ccTLD and 9 contacts changes, has mentioned before leave to the next items.

1. TLD OPS status and operational issues

Despite 390 contacts and 200 ccTLDs in the TLD-OPS, TLD-OPS Standing committee (TOSC) has deplored the continuing lack of members engagement. The same actors are visible.

The TLD-OPS is managing everything manually. The issue having today is don't know if all the contacts are up to date and if they're still working for the ccTLD.

So, It's needed to get a best practice to manage the contacts and also have validation contact process. This is for allowing to know exactly how many contact there are, but also to allow the technical and administrative contact to know all contacts have been set up.

Then, the questions have been asked to know (i) how accurate is the TLD-OPS contacts repository and (ii) how valide are the contacts?

IANA Liaison, Kim, said the vision was under discuss for a while. He gave his support on this initiative makes a lot of sense that IANA is well placed to authenticate customers. Currently IANA is doing some significant revisions the system. This new concept can be added for authorization contacts that will have new roles in terms of managing to do and other concept like security contacts that to these could self-managed through IANA portal and keep up to date. But of course it just comes down to a matter of resourcing and priority

SSAC Liaison, Warren Kumari, thinks that we need to put the contact information in easier to reach format other than the mailing list. As like a shared address book who will synchronize with the phone or something else. Because that way, it will be easier to contact someone.,

Bill Woodcock (PCH) offered his availability if assistance is needed, based in his experience on how maintain contacts.

2. Security committee report

The new team is trying to engage Community in sharing ccTLD relevant security advisories. Since January 2022, 6 relevant security alerts has been revealed .

It noted there's practically no traffic to the mailing list. Then, he invited everybody is interesting in joining the security committee to dropping an email to them.

In additionally, the TLD-OPS would like another outreach channel for the group and requested to ccNSO liaison to see how the ccNSO can help on this. Because, trying to reach people to email is insufficient.

3. AFTLD DR/BCP webinar report

The webinar, has been organized on march 2022 by AfTLD in partnership with TLD-OPS represented by Régis Masse (vice chair). It was success and helpful. Many of the participants requested to get one physically.

4. Next step :

- Develop document to explain the need to see in terms of contact validation
- Replace Abibu, member who is no longer active and who would have left of his ccTLD
- Integrate a new member of the TOSC from Asia region
- Plan next Security committee conference call in one or 3 months

In general the points below have been reviewed

focus for next year or so is to enhance the contact repository, to have contact validation, to have the ccTLD admin/tech to validate their security contact, to ensure the member list is up to date, we have to do all this to increase the trust in TLD-OPS if we use the list as a means to collaborate. IANA or ICANN to run the contact repository, to run the mail server, to develop contact validation tools and techniques.