

Minutes of Meeting

MEAC-SWG Call 10 – Wednesday 12 October 2016

The tenth call for the MEAC-SWG took place on Wednesday 12 October 2016 at 10.30 – 11.00 UTC. The call had 11 members and observers of the MEAC-SWG, and 3 ICANN staff members.

On the Call we had Walid Al-Saqaf (Chair), Ahmed Bakhat Masood, Hadia Elminiawi, Manal Ismail, Nadira Alaraj, Chokri Ben Romdhane, Michael Oghia, Jim Quirk, Salam Yamout, Tijani Ben Jemaa, and Zied Bouziri. And from ICANN Staff, we had Baher Esmat, Milena Timurcuoglu, and Fahd Batayneh.

The agenda for the call covered the following topics:

- Progress and New Timeline;
- Final Diagrams;
- Strategy Document;
- Public Comments Period;
- ICANN 57 Preparations; and
- AoB

Progress and New Timeline

The Chair went through the current timeline and where we stand at. The progress has so far been good with the 3 focus area diagrams more-or-less concluded.

Final Diagrams

The diagrams are almost final. Manal brought up the idea of having an incident repository for ISPs and ccTLDs. ICANN staff did suggest that this could be challenging not only because such entities would prefer not to announce the attacks they suffer from, but also because the ICANN Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR) Team do not have this project as part of their plans for FY17. Other entities; such as FIRST, do maintain similar repositories, though.

Nadira Alaraj suggested on the mailing list to use verbs for objectives rather than nouns. However, during the call, the group was in agreement to keep the objectives as nouns.

Nadira Alaraj also suggested changing the word "Encourage" in action 3.1 of FA1 to "Conduct awareness programs to encourage..." to make it measurable. The suggestion was approved by attendees.

Strategy Document

ICANN Staff have not worked on the core of the strategy document yet due to the intense travel schedules. The document does have some text in it such as statistics, introductions, and objectives. The focus areas are yet to be included in the document. ICANN Staff did emphasize, though, that since the diagrams are almost final, converting them into text should be pretty straightforward.

Hadia asked if the SWG members can edit the document, and the Chair said that this is possible. ICANN Staff did emphasize that the strategy is developed by the community from start to end, and that ICANN Staff are just helping all the way in making the task of the SWG easier. ICANN Staff will develop the draft strategy document, and then share with the SWG for feedback and suggestions/recommendations.

ICANN Staff did suggest that work will start on developing the draft strategy document early next week.

Public Comments Period

ICANN Staff did seek internal advice on issuing the strategy document for public comments. The strategy document will be issued for a 21 day public comment period as suggested by the SWG.

ICANN 57 Preparations

There were no updates on the date and time of the MEAC Strategy session at ICANN 57 in Hyderabad. Once ICANN Staff learn of the final date and time, they will share it with the SWG over the mailing list.

Any Other Business

There was no other business. The Chair adjourned the call.