

Dear ICANN;

I would like to provide details about my motivation, experience, and qualifications as a Volunteer Review Team Member for the SSR2-RT initiative of ICANN. I have ten years of direct experience working with DNS operation and technologies, registry and registration security abuse, malware and abuse vectors, Risk Assessment and Management, and Corporate Data Security and Business Systems. I believe that my broad interest and domain expertise in the field of information security, governance, risk, and compliance, will greatly benefit the team and objectives of the SSR2 project.

I majored in Computer Information Systems with emphasis in Internet Security and Telecommunications at California Polytechnic State University, Pomona, which is a leading technical university and acknowledged by the U.S. government as a premier school for Information Security and Assurance. I was very active in research in the field of IT Security, Vulnerability and Penetration Testing tools/methods, and practices, and Computer Forensics – which was an emerging field at that time. In college, I wrote two research papers that won the ISACA (Information Security Audit and Control Association) best paper award in the topic of “US Cyber-Security in the context of business preparedness”, and “Telemedicine Security.” ISACA is a respected organization in the field of IT Security, IT-Audit, and IT-Governance.

At a professional capacity, I worked in various fields such as consulting, banking, entertainment, and biotechnology; all of which are active consumers of Internet technology. My tenure in the banking industry was spent during the time when financial institutions are being threatened by malicious hackers, compounded by the global financial crisis. I was in the forefront in protecting the bank from malicious security hacks, as well as ensuring government and regulatory compliance from fiduciary auditors. I successfully performed both high level and end-to-end process reviews as party of my risk assessment and risk management activities. I was the Bank’s subject matter expert regarding key management encryption of ATMs and PIN security, VISA PIN Encryption Security, and Data Consumer Privacy. Multiple times, I have advised management and executives on current state risks, recommendations to remediate risks, and trends/emerging risks affecting information technology and cybersecurity. I have also published work on the mapping of security control objectives between FFIEC (Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council) and COBIT (Control Objectives for Information and Related Technologies), which is available in the ISACA website. This mapping document helps security managers, risk managers, and auditors understand FFIEC security control objectives in the context of COBIT controls.

My work as a program management auditor for the ISO27001 Security Program implementation for a major biotech firm has contributed significant gains on the progress and maturity of the company towards ISO27001 Security Compliance.

Because of the recent events in the entertainment industry, notably the hacking of Sony, and its aftermath, such as leakage of movie content, business emails, and corporate information, I chose to work for an entertainment company believing that the next wave of internet security attacks will be against entertainment studios, and the companies within the entertainment supply chain. In addition, the internet was becoming a means to send content between different supply chain entities, perform

creative and post production work on cloud technologies, and distribute curated content to consumers. As a Security Audit and Compliance Manager, I am responsible for protecting studio and client content from all major studios (FOX, Warner Bros, Disney, Paramount Pictures, Universal, Sony), and emerging retail internet channels (Netflix, Amazon, Hulu, HBO, Apple). In this capacity, I have advised clients and executives in strategies to protecting entertainment content regardless of delivery medium and distribution channels.

I am motivated to join the SSR2 review team because of its very involved tasks on research and policy making that will affect the security and integrity of the Internet. My collegiate and work experience has demonstrated an interest, capability, and mastery, on performing research, technical aptitude, and advising of key stakeholders. My background in advising management on risks, policies, and strategies, will help Internet Policy makers make sound decisions benefiting the internet community. My very close location proximity to the ICANN headquarters in Marina Del Rey, California, is also beneficial so I can meet with key ICANN team members with ease and with little to no expense. In addition, I can provide valuable insight on the practical application of policies and recommendations coming out of the SSR2 because of my experience in different industry verticals.

I hope that my passion to forward internet technology, as well as my collegiate and industry experience, will be of great benefit to the SSR2 team and to the goals and objectives of ICANN. It will be a great honor to be of service to the Internet and to the Global community.

Sincerely,

Alexander Marzo