SSAC2 Organizational Review

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE
The Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) advises the ICANN community and Board on matters relating to the security and integrity of the Internet’s naming and address allocation systems. This includes operational, administrative, and registration matters. SSAC engages in ongoing threat assessment and risk analysis of the Internet naming and address allocation services to assess where the principal threats to stability and security lie, and advises the ICANN community accordingly. For more information on SSAC, click here.

The goal of the review, to be undertaken pursuant to such criteria and standards as the Board shall direct, shall be to determine (i) whether that organization, council or committee has a continuing purpose in the ICANN structure, (ii) if so, whether any change in structure or operations is desirable to improve its effectiveness and (iii) whether that organization, council or committee is accountable to its constituencies, stakeholder groups, organizations and other stakeholders.

AVAILABLE RESOURCES
- Organizational Review Background and Timing
- Review Work Party
- Review Work Party Meetings
- Background Information, Scope, and Timeline
- Documents and Output of the First SSAC Review

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

NEWS AND UPDATES
Six-monthly written implementation reports
The SSAC Review Implementation Work Party has commenced implementation, and has scheduled to submit on 30 June 2020 its first six-monthly written implementation report on progress to the Organizational Effectiveness Committee of the ICANN Board (OEC).

Acceptance of the Second Organizational Review of the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC2) Detailed Implementation Plan
12 March 2020 - The ICANN Board accepted the SSAC2 Review Detailed Implementation Plan, including the implementation approach contained within; and directed the SSAC2 Review Implementation Work Party to continue implementation in accordance with the SSAC2 Review Detailed Implementation Plan and to provide updates to the Organizational Effectiveness Committee of the ICANN Board (OEC) through written implementation reports on progress every six months. Full Board resolution here.

23 June 2019 - The ICANN Board accepted the final report from the independent examiner, and the Feasibility Assessment. The ICANN Board directed the SSAC to convene an SSAC review implementation work group that drafts a detailed implementation plan of the recommendations, as presented in the Feasibility Assessment, including appropriate implementation costing. More information here.

SSAC2 Review Final Report Available
7 January 2019 - Analysis Group, the independent examiner performing the second Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC2) Review, has published its final report. Read the final report here, or read the announcement here for more information.
Draft Final Report Published for Public Comment and Webinar
15 October 2018 - Analysis Group, the independent examiner conducting the second Security and Stability Advisory Committee Review (SSAC2), has published its draft final report for public comment. Analysis Group will present the draft final report to the community during ICANN63 in Barcelona, Spain, and during a webinar on 20 November 2018 at 21:00 UTC. Read the announcement.

Assessment Report Consultation Period Closed
28 July 2018 - The consultation period on the independent examiner’s assessment report is now closed. The independent examiner will now incorporate feedback into a draft final report, which will contain both the assessment of the SSAC and recommendations for improving the operation of the SSAC. The draft final report is expected to be published for public comment in the coming months.

Deadline Extension - SSAC Review Assessment Report
2 July 2018 - Your comments on the report are encouraged and can be sent to mssi-secretariat@icann.org until the new deadline of 23:59 UTC on 27 July 2018. Read the report.

Assessment Report Published for Community Input | Join the Public Meeting at ICANN62 and Upcoming Webinar
21 June 2018 - Analysis Group, the independent examiner performing the second review of ICANN’s Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC), has published its assessment report. Read the report or read the announcement for more information.

SSAC2 Review Survey Available for Community Input
22 May 2018 - Deadline extended! The survey will now close on Friday May 25th at 23:59 UTC.

Analysis Group Selected to Conduct the SSAC Review
22 February 2018 - Announcement that Analysis Group has been appointed as the Independent Examiner to conduct the review of the SSAC. Learn more.

Extended Deadline; Request for Proposal for the SSAC Organizational Review
1 Aug 2017 - The deadline has been extended for the Request for Proposal for the SSAC Organizational Review. Learn more.

Request for Proposal: SSAC Organizational Review
7 July 2017 - The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is seeking a provider to conduct an independent assessment of the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC). Learn more.

Initiating the Second Review of the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)
18 May 2017 - Resolved (2017.05.18.02), that the Board initiates the second SSAC Review in June 2017 and directs ICANN organization to post a Request for Proposal to procure an independent examiner to begin the review as soon as practically feasible. Learn more