

President's Report

Lisbon, Portugal



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Agenda

- Strategic Plan and Operating Plan
- Policy Development Activities
- Improvements in IANA function
- ccTLD Accountability frameworks
- Registrar Accreditation Policy and Process Review
- Internationalised Domain Names
- Accountability and Transparency initiatives
- Regional At-Large Organisations
- President's Strategy Committee
- Visit by ITU Secretary General

Strategic Plan

- 2007–2010 Strategic Plan approved at São Paulo meeting in December 2006
- Objectives –
 - Organisational excellence in operations
 - Organisational excellence in policy development
 - Increased international participation in ICANN and the use of the Internet system of unique identifiers
 - Increased participation in and efficiency of the ICANN multi-stakeholder environment
 - Work towards a post-MOU ICANN

Operating Plan 2007–2008

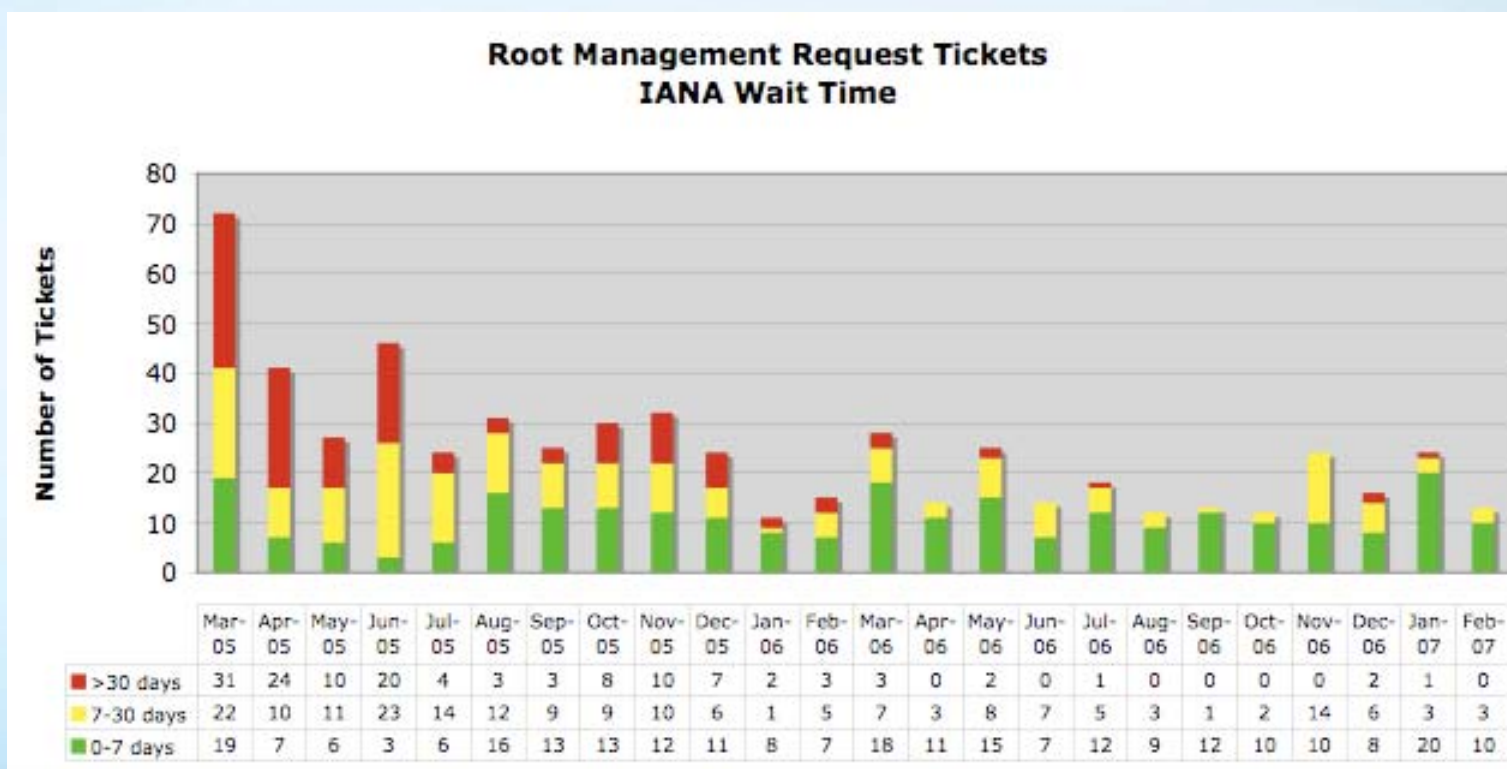
- Operating Plan to be updated and revised based on community feedback during and after Lisbon meeting
- Budget to be approved at Puerto Rico meeting in June
- Kurt Pritz to outline Plan immediately after this report

Policy Development Activities

- New ccTLDs accountability frameworks
- Outreach to other SOs and ACs, including working session with GAC on public policy principles
- Whois – discussion of Final draft report
- New generic top-level domain discussion
- .XXX decision to be made by Board this week
- All discussions taking place this week
- Where/Why/Who
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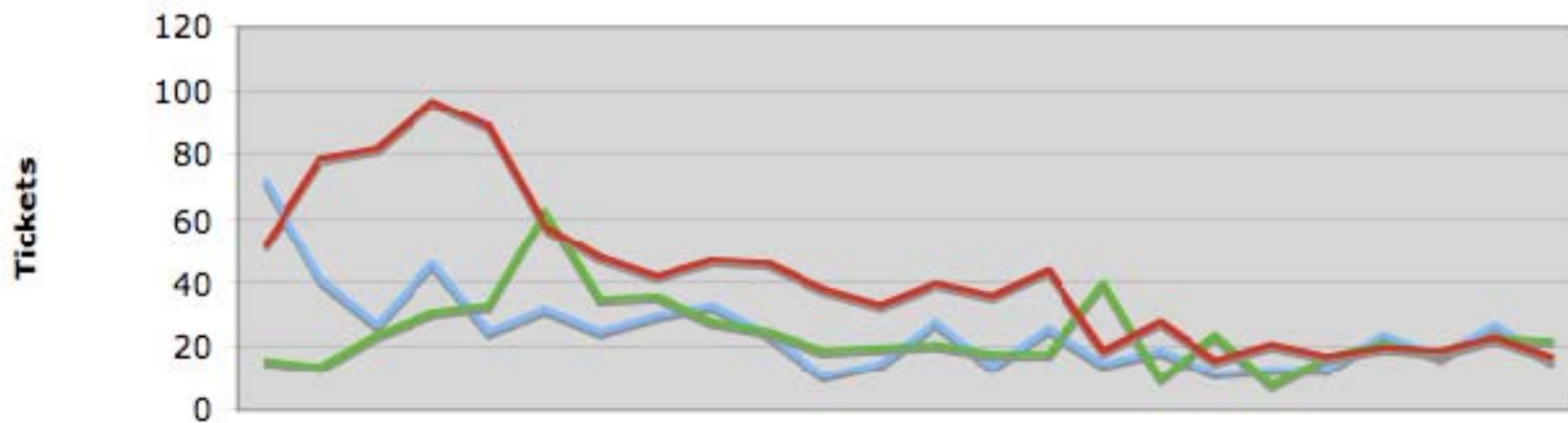
Improvements in IANA function

- Continued improvement in IANA functions



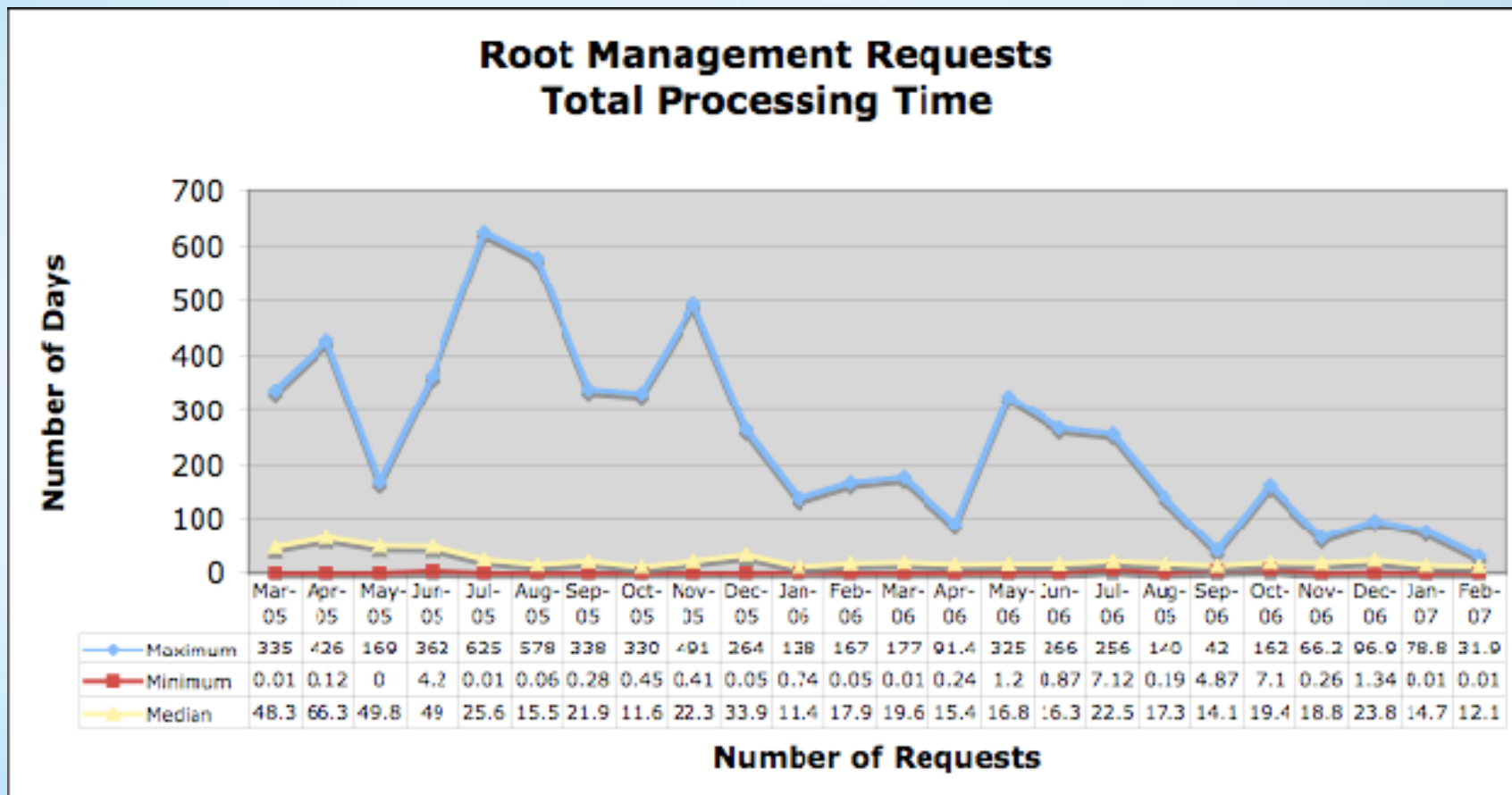
IANA Improvement

Root Management Requests



	Mar-05	Apr-05	May-05	Jun-05	Jul-05	Aug-05	Sep-05	Oct-05	Nov-05	Dec-05	Jan-06	Feb-06	Mar-06	Apr-06	May-06	Jun-06	Jul-06	Aug-06	Sep-06	Oct-06	Nov-06	Dec-06	Jan-07	Feb-07
Created	72	41	27	46	25	32	25	30	33	24	11	15	28	14	26	15	19	12	13	13	24	17	27	16
Closed	16	14	24	31	33	63	35	36	28	25	19	20	21	18	18	40	10	24	8	17	21	18	23	22
Enqueued	52	79	82	97	89	58	48	42	47	46	38	33	40	36	44	19	28	16	21	17	20	19	23	17

IANA Improvement



New ccTLDs – Accountability Frameworks

- 12 months since ICANN posted Accountability Framework template documents
- 8 exchanges of letters and 11 accountability framework documents have been signed since São Paulo meeting, including Libya (.ly) yesterday
- Anticipated three more to be signed during this meeting
- Discussions ongoing with a number of other ccTLDs
- Parties are pleased with progress to date

Registrar Accreditation Policy and Process Must be Reviewed

- RegisterFly has made clear the need for comprehensive review of registrar accreditation process and RAA content
- Debate follows in this Public Forum
- Registrars, ALAC and registrants via ICANN remote site to participate
- Summary of comments received to date to be provided
- This meeting not end of consultation

Internationalised Domain Names

- IDN Program Plan key components –
 - Maintain a secure, stable, and single interoperable Internet
 - Encompass all actions and deliverables needed to deploy internationalised top-level labels
 - Make Internet resources available to users worldwide in their local scripts
 - Supply IDN dedicated staff resources and project plans for more transparency
- December 2006 root zone replicate testing successful – results posted on website
- IETF also reviewed protocols that enable additional Unicode characters to be available in IDNs
- Top-level deployment in root zone hopeful for end 2007/08

Accountability & Transparency Initiatives

- New Board minutes reporting goals
 - Expanded, more detailed reporting
 - Shorter time to website posting (72 hours maximum)
- Report by OneWorldTrust
 - “ICANN is in many ways a very transparent organisation. It discloses a large quantity of information, probably more than any other global organisation”
 - Improvements needed: recommendations made
 - Report to be made public this week

Accountability & Transparency Initiatives

- Management Operating Principles
 - Community has made clear the process should not be rushed
 - Draft Management Operating Principles are now in development
 - Consultation will take place in preparation for decision at Puerto Rico meeting in June

Improved Website

- <http://www.icann.org/>
- Focus is on better navigation and access
- Clarification of ICANN's processes
- Better dialogue and online participation
 - <http://blog.icann.org/>
 - <http://public.icann.org/>
- Further improvements to be made

Regional At-Large Organisations

- Latin America-Caribbean RALO launched at São Paulo meeting, December 2006
- In March 2007, public comment opened for
 - Africa RALO
 - Asia-Australia-Pacific RALO
- Signing of MOUs expected this week

President's Strategy Committee

- Issues –
 - ICANN's status and responsiveness to an evolving global environment
 - Legal status and identity
 - Regional presence
 - Root zone management and transparency
 - Ongoing contingency planning
 - Contributing to capacity development
 - Participation and role of stakeholders
- Final recommendations to be presented at Lisbon meeting

Visit by ITU Secretary General

- International Telecommunication Union Secretary General Hamadoun Touré to attend Lisbon meeting, Friday, 30 March
- First time ITU Secretary General has attended an ICANN meeting

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GENEVA (Reuters) - The Internet should continue to be overseen by major agencies including ICANN and the ITU, rather than any new "superstructure", the new head of the International Telecommunications Union said on Friday.

Hamadoun Toure, who took up the reins of the United Nations agency this month, said the ITU would focus on tackling cyber-security and in narrowing the "digital divide" between rich and poor countries.

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