

## ICANN BOARD PAPER NO. 2017.11.02.1a-Organizational Meeting

**TITLE:** Board Committee Memberships and Leadership

**PROPOSED ACTION:** For Board Consideration and Approval

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of its responsibilities, the Board Governance Committee (BGC) is tasked with “[c]reating and recommending to the full Board for approval a slate of nominees for Board Chair, Board Vice Chair, and chairmanship and membership of each Board Committee, including filling any vacancies which may occur in these positions during the year.” ([BGC Charter](#), § II.C.)

Accordingly, the Board is being asked to review and adopt the BGC’s recommendations set forth below:

Board Chair: Cherine Chalaby

Board Vice-Chair: Chris Disspain

#### Membership and Leadership of Board Committees:

- Audit
  - Akinori Maemura
  - Mike Silber
  - Lousewies van der Laan (Chair)
  - Sarah Deutsch
- Compensation
  - Cherine Chalaby (Chair)
  - Chris Disspain
  - Ram Mohan
  - George Sadowsky
  - Jonne Soininen
- Executive
  - Cherine Chalaby (Chair)
  - Chris Disspain
  - Goran Marby
- Finance
  - Maarten Botterman

- Ron da Silva (Chair)
- Chris Disspain
- Khaled Koubaa
- George Sadowsky
  
- Governance
  - Maarten Botterman
  - Becky Burr (Chair)
  - Ron da Silva
  - Ram Mohan
  - Lousewies van der Laan
  
- Risk
  - Rafael Lito Ibarra (Co-Chair)
  - Akinori Maemura
  - Ram Mohan (Co-Chair)
  - Kaveh Ranjbar
  - Matthew Shears
  - Jonne Soininen
  
- Organizational Effectiveness
  - Rafael Lito Ibarra
  - Khaled Koubaa (Chair)
  - George Sadowsky
  - Léon Sanchez
  - Matthew Shears
  - Avri Doria
  
- Accountability Mechanisms
  - Becky Burr
  - Chris Disspain (Chair)
  - Léon Sanchez
  - Mike Silber
  - Sarah Deutsch
  
- Technical
  - Cherine Chalaby
  - Ron da Silva
  - Rafael Lito Ibarra (Vice Chair)
  - Akinori Maemura
  - Ram Mohan
  - Kaveh Ranjbar (Chair)
  - George Sadowsky
  - Jonne Soininen
  - Avri Doria

**PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:**

a. Election of ICANN Board Chair

Resolved (2017.11.02.xx), Cherine Chalaby is elected as Chair of the Board.

b. Election of ICANN Board Vice Chair

Resolved (2017.11.02.xx), Chris Disspain is elected as Vice-Chair of the Board.

c. Appointment of Membership and Leadership of Board Committees

Resolved (2017.11.02.xx), membership and leadership of the following Board Committees is established as follows:

**Audit**

Lousewies van der Laan (Chair)  
Akinori Maemura  
Mike Silber  
Sarah Deutsch

**Compensation**

Cherine Chalaby (Chair)  
Chris Disspain  
Ram Mohan  
George Sadowsky  
Jonne Soininen

**Executive**

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**Finance**

Ron da Silva (Chair)  
Maarten Botterman  
Chris Disspain  
Khaled Koubaa  
George Sadowsky

**Governance**

Becky Burr (Chair)  
Maarten Botterman  
Ron da Silva  
Ram Mohan  
Lousewies van der Laan

**Risk**

Rafael Lito Ibarra (Co-Chair)  
Ram Mohan (Co-Chair)

Akinori Maemura  
Kaveh Ranjbar  
Matthew Shears  
Jonne Soininen

**Organizational Effectiveness**

Khaled Koubaa (Chair)  
Rafael Lito Ibarra  
George Sadowsky  
Léon Sanchez  
Matthew Shears  
Avri Doria

**Accountability Mechanisms**

Chris Disspain (Chair)  
Becky Burr  
Sarah Deutsch  
Léon Sanchez  
Mike Silber

**Technical**

Kaveh Ranjbar (Chair)  
Rafael Lito Ibarra (Vice Chair)  
Cherine Chalaby  
Ron da Silva  
Akinori Maemura  
Ram Mohan  
George Sadowsky  
Jonne Soininen  
Avri Doria

**PROPOSED RATIONALE:**

Article 7, Section 7.2 and Article 14 of the ICANN Bylaws call for the Board to appoint the Board Chair, Board Vice Chair, and chairmanship and membership of each Board Committee, including filling any vacancies which may occur in these positions during the year. The appointment of the Board leadership and Board Committee slates is consistent with ICANN's Mission and is in the public interest as it is important to ensure that the Board and its Committees have the properly skilled expertise to carry forth ICANN's Mission, Commitments and Core Values.

This decision will have no direct fiscal impact on the organization and no impact on the security, stability or resiliency of the domain name system.

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