RSSAC Meeting Minutes

1 February 2022 | 15:00-16:30 UTC

Attendance

Cogent Paul Vixie

DISA Kevin Wright, Ryan Stephenson

ICANN Matt Larson

ISC Fred Baker, Jeff Osborn

NASA Barbara Schleckser, Tom Miglin

Netnod Lars-Johan Liman RIPE NCC Kaveh Ranjbar UMD Karl Reuss

USC ISI Wes Hardaker, Suzanne Woolf Howard Kash. Ken Renard

US ARL

Verisign **Brad Verd** WIDE Hiro Hotta

Liaison to the Board Kaveh Ranjbar Liaison to the CSC Lars-Johan Liman Liaison to the RZERC **Daniel Migault**

Liaison from the SSAC

Liaison from the IAB Daniel Migault Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator James Mitchell Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer **Duane Wessels**

Observers Andrew Kimble and Erum Welling

Staff Andrew McConachie, Danielle Rutherford, and Ozan Sahin

Action Items from this Meeting:

- Staff to publish the minutes from 4 January 2022 teleconference.
- Staff to send published minutes from 4 January 2022 teleconference to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to submit RSSAC's topic for the Joint ICANN Board/RSSAC meeting before 18 February 2022 deadline.
- Staff to publish RSSAC047v2: RSSAC Advisory on Metrics for the DNS Root Servers and the Root Server System.
- Staff to check with Paul Hoffman to see whether an implementation report with revised metrics could be expected in March 2022.
- Brad Verd, Kaveh Ranjbar and Paul Vixie to start drafting an RSSAC statement to address the government concerns about the root server system.

Call to Order

Fred Baker called the meeting to order at 15:00 UTC.

Roll Call

Fred Baker conducted a roll call. Quorum was present to conduct the meeting and to take formal action, if necessary.

Agenda Review

Fred Baker reviewed the agenda and there was no objection or requested additions.

Administration

Approval of Minutes

The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from 4 January 2022 teleconference. There were no objections or abstentions.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish the minutes from 4 January 2021 teleconference. ACTION ITEM: Staff to send published minutes from 4 January 2021 teleconference to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.

Appointment of ICANN Fellowship Program Mentor

Ozan Sahin reported that three RSSAC Caucus members, Afifa Abbas, Harish Chowdhary, and Ali Hussain volunteered to serve as an ICANN Fellowship Program mentor.

RSSAC reappointed Afifa Abbas for a second one-year term on the ICANN Fellowship Program Mentoring Committee. The term will cover three ICANN public meetings beginning with ICANN75.

Draft RSSAC ICANN73 Schedule

Ozan Sahin reported that ICANN73 would take place as a virtual meeting between 7-10 March 2022. Ozan also flagged that ICANN Board Chair Maarten Botterman reached out to SOAC Chairs on 31 January to share two suggested Board topics and to request SOAC topics and questions for the joint meetings with the Board that will take place during ICANN73. Fred Baker and Kaveh Ranjbar proposed "Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG) process" as RSSAC's topic for the meeting with the ICANN Board at ICANN73.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to submit RSSAC's topic for the Joint ICANN Board/RSSAC meeting before 18 February 2022 deadline.

Work Items

RSSAC047v2: RSSAC Advisory on Metrics for the DNS Root Servers and the Root Server System

Ozan Sahin reported that the output of the RSSAC047v2 work party completed its stable period and it was ready for an RSSAC vote.

The RSSAC approved RSSAC047v2: RSSAC Advisory on Metrics for the DNS Root Servers and the Root Server System. There were no objections or abstentions.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish RSSAC047v2: RSSAC Advisory on Metrics for the DNS Root Servers and the Root Server System.

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Reports

Chair/Vice Chair

Ken Renard pointed out the recent meetings on some of the internet related regulatory activities that could touch the root server operators. Ken mentioned that the ICANN organization's efforts in following these activities were brought up during the RSSAC leadership's 1:1 meeting with ICANN CEO Göran Marby. Ken suggested RSSAC to engage with related ICANN org functions on these activities.

The RSSAC discussed topics including efforts to replace the IANA root, lack of understanding among the governments and their advisors about the difference between the resolvers and authority servers. Wes Hardaker brought up the concerns of disconnection due to accidents or intention. Kaveh Ranjbar suggested writing an RSSAC statement to explain the reasoning behind RSSAC037 and the root server system governance evolution process and the efforts to get an open and inclusive RSS governance model.

ACTION ITEM: Brad Verd, Kaveh Ranjbar and Paul Vixie to start drafting an RSSAC statement to address the government concerns about the root server system.

ICANN Board

Kaveh Ranjbar reported that the Board Technical Committee (BTC) was in the process of reviewing the recent letter ICANN Board received from the RSS GWG Chair.

CSC

Lars-Johan Liman reported that the Customer Standing Committee and the PTI were involved in a dialogue on whether to do an overhaul of all SLAs for the service.

RZERC

Daniel Migault had no updates.

IAB

Daniel Migault had no updates.

IANA

James Mitchell reported that a Public Comment proceeding on Root Zone Update Process Study would open in February 2022. James added that KSK Ceremony 44 would take place on 16 February 2022.

Root Zone Maintainer

Duane Wessels mentioned that a draft ZONE MD deployment plan was shared with the RZERC, which was then forwarded to the RSSAC by Daniel Migault on 18 January after the RZERC monthly meeting. Duane invited RSSAC members to review the draft plan and provide feedback.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)

Lars-Johan Liman reported that RSS GWG was in the process of reviewing the Success Criteria document. Liman added that a response from the Board was expected on the topic of changing the composition of the RSS GWG.

Any Other Business

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 8 March 2022 at 14:30 UTC.

Adjournment

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.