



## Theresa Swinehart

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A leading advocate for an open and secure Internet and an expert in global Internet governance and cooperation, Theresa Swinehart works with stakeholders and policymakers around the globe to advocate the Internet's multistakeholder model. She oversees a team with overarching responsibility for a range of initiatives including the organization's strategic planning work, the reviews program for organizational and specific reviews, and cross departmental and community initiatives including data protection / privacy and evolving accountability work.

Swinehart rejoined ICANN after serving three years as the Executive Director of Global Internet Policy for Verizon Communications, where she specialized in emerging Internet governance issues, and stakeholder and policy leader engagement.

Swinehart spent nearly ten years at ICANN prior to joining Verizon in 2010. Her previous position at ICANN was as Vice President, Global and Strategic Partnerships. Her responsibilities included contributing to its reform process, leading the international team and the organization's strategy for global engagement and outreach.

Before joining ICANN, Swinehart was Director for Global E-Commerce at MCI, where she was responsible for emerging international Internet issues, including Internet service provider (ISP) liability. She represented MCI in the formation of ICANN.

Swinehart began her career in international human rights. She holds a law degree from American University Washington College of Law (USA), a postgraduate degree in International Studies from the University of Vienna (Austria), and a BA in International Relations from the University of California, Davis (USA).

Swinehart has represented organizations in numerous international forums. She served on the Internet Society (ISOC) Board of Trustees and the Internet



Governance Forum Multistakeholder Advisory Committee (MAG). She is fluent in English and German and conversant in French.