RSSAC Meeting Minutes
2 February 2021 | 15:00-16:30 UTC

Attendance

Cogent
DISA   Kevin Wright, Ryan Stephenson
ICANN   Matt Larson
ISC   Fred Baker, Jeff Osborn
NASA   Barbara Schleckser
Netnod   Lars-Johan Liman
RIPE NCC   Kaveh Ranjbar
UMD   Karl Reuss
USC ISI   Wes Hardaker
US ARL   Howard Kash, Ken Renard
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   Russ Mundy
Liaison from the IAB   Daniel Migault
Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator   James Mitchell
Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer   Duane Wessels

Staff   Andrew McConachie, Danielle Rutherford, Ozan Sahin, and Steve Sheng

Action Items from this Meeting:
- Staff to publish the minutes from 5 January 2021 teleconference.
- Staff to send published minutes from 5 January 2021 teleconference to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to prepare the correspondence to notify relevant ICANN org. function of RSSAC's Fellowship Program appointments.
- Staff to submit session requests for the two work party meetings as well as the RSSAC meeting at ICANN70.
- Staff to work with SSAC support staff to schedule the RSSAC/SSAC joint meeting.
- Staff to circulate four proposed ICANN70 plenary topics on the RSSAC mailing list for feedback.
- Lars-Johan Liman to start an RSSAC document in an effort to publish the guiding principles in RSSAC037 separately.

- Lars-Johan Liman to check whether the working document of the RSS GWG is available to be shared publicly.

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 5 January 2021 teleconference. There were no objections or abstentions.

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ICANN Fellowship Program Appointments

Jeff Osborn reported that following the RSSAC January meeting discussions on accepting two successive terms as a norm, the RSSAC Membership Committee recommended Afifa Abbas as a Fellowship Program mentor and Amir Qayyum to serve another term on the Fellowship Selection Committee.

RSSAC appointed Afifa Abbas to serve as a Fellowship Program mentor for a term that includes three ICANN Public Meetings, beginning with ICANN72. There were no objections or abstentions. Motion by Lars-Johan Liman, second by Jeff Osborn.

RSSAC appointed Amir Qayyum to a second term on the Fellowship Selection Committee. There were no objections or abstentions. Motion by Jeff Osborn, second by Wes Hardaker.

RSSAC thanked Rao Naveed Bin Rais for his service as a Fellowship Program mentor and showed its appreciation to all RSSAC Caucus members who volunteered to serve in the ICANN Fellowship program as RSSAC representatives.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to prepare the correspondence to notify relevant ICANN org. function of RSSAC's Fellowship Program appointments.

ICANN70 Draft RSSAC Schedule

Ozan Sahin introduced the draft RSSAC schedule for ICANN70. The RSSAC discussed whether to have its April meeting two weeks earlier than its usual cadance, at ICANN70. There was a consensus to block 10:30-12:00 EST on Tuesday, 23 March for the RSSAC meeting and make the final decision later.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to submit session requests for the two work party meetings as well as the RSSAC meeting at ICANN70.

Russ Mundy explained that he was in the process of drafting an agenda for the joint RSSAC/SSAC meeting and checked in with RSSAC members to see if there were any agenda items of interest. Ken Renard responded by mentioning the updates from the RSSAC work parties.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to work with SSAC support staff to schedule the RSSAC/SSAC joint meeting.
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Work Items

Tool to Gather A Local Perspective of the RSS Work Party Update

Ken Renard reported that the work party pared down the number of user narratives to three; (1) evaluating proposed location for new instance or root server, (2) informing a decision on underserved area, and (3) recursive operators trying to understand their view of the root server system. Ken added that the core writing team would have a call prior to the monthly work party meeting in order to advance the work party documents.

Effects and Mitigations of a Rogue RSO Work Party Update

Ken Renard reported that the work party had a meeting the previous week and a big change from that meeting was the revision of the introduction paragraph to set the tone that this document was not a strict definition of what was rogue and what was not; but focusing more on informing a future body of what the work party was thinking. Ken added that the work party was likely to remove the detection and mitigation section.

RSSAC Document on Guiding Principles

Ken Renard discussed that during the Rogue RSO work party meeting it was brought up whether the RSSAC would want to publish the guiding principles as a separate document.

Fred Baker responded that instead of publishing a numbered document it might be more appropriate to make a blog entry and pointed out potential consistency issues of publishing the same content in different locations if changes were ever to be made to the content. Russ Mundy commented that the idea was to have the long form of the guiding principles easily and visibly readable by the readers of the Rogue RSO work party document.

There was further discussion on whether to add the guiding principles as an appendix to the work party document or publish it separately, who would be the intended audience of this document and who would draft it.

Duane Wessels suggested that staff would start a document and it could be drafted pretty quickly. Lars-Johan Liman committed to start this document so that RSSAC could have a discussion on it in its next meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Lars-Johan Liman to start an RSSAC document in an effort to publish the guiding principles in RSSAC037 separately.

Reports

Chair/Vice Chair

Fred Baker reported that the recent discussions on the SOAC leaders mailing list were on the ICANN70 plenary topics which were covered earlier in the meeting.

ICANN Board

Kaveh Ranjbar reported that the ICANN Board had a workshop on 22-24 January. Kaveh added that the Board had two liaisons to the Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG) and these liaisons briefed the Board during the workshop on the progress of the RSS GWG work. Kaveh noted that he thought the ICANN Board had a good understanding of this work and he did not see any issues regarding the Board's approach to this work.

Kaveh shared with the RSSAC that the Board Technical Committee (BTC) also met and discussed the recommendations on RSSAC028 and RSSAC047. Kaveh added that the ICANN Board would be passing resolutions on these two RSSAC publications soon.

CSC

Lars-Johan Liman reported that the Customer Standing Committee supported the recommendations in the IANA Functions Review Team (IFRT) Final Report and CSC would be indicating its support during the Public Comment process. Lars-Johan added that the last report from the PTI regarding the IANA services was surprisingly not 100% due to a single request that had come in just the day before Christmas. Lars-Johan noted that CSC had a report from the PTI regarding their customer satisfaction survey which read the customer satisfaction was rising

over time. Lastly, Lars-Johan shared that the CSC had a new liaison from the GNSO (Non-Registry seat), Milton Mueller.

RZERC

Daniel Migault reported that the recommendation on signing the root name server data would be published by the RZERC and another document, the advisory on adding zone data protection in the root zone was ready to be published. Daniel added that there would be a Chair election process as the current Chair Duane Wessels was completing his second term.

SSAC

Russ Mundy had no update.

IAB

Daniel Migault had no update.

IANA

James Mitchell reported that the KSK ceremony 42 was scheduled for 11 February 2021 with live streaming links to be posted on the web site.

Root Zone Maintainer

Duane Wessels had no update.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)

Hiro Hotta reported that the RSS GWG held two meetings in January 2021. Hiro added that by putting partial documents such as Public Root Services (PRS), Strategy, Architecture, and Policy Function (SAPF) together and with the addition of Designation and Removal Function (DRF), the RSS GWG would be starting discussions on the entire document of the working group.

ACTION ITEM: Lars-Johan Liman to check whether the working document of the RSS GWG is available to be shared publicly.

Any Other Business

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 2 March 2021.

Adjournment

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.