

UASG Election 2017

The following candidates are standing for the position of Vice-Chair of the UASG

<p>Edmon Chung</p> 	<p><i>Disclaimer: DotAsiaOrganisation is part of the TLD Operating Community and has a Registry Agreement with ICANN to operate the .Asia gTLD. DotAsiaOrganisation is a shareholder of HNET Asia, which provides registry services for the .MO ccTLD, and is a shareholder of Namesphere Holdings Ltd., which has shareholding stake in several new gTLD applicants and is a front- end registry services provider for a number of new gTLDs. DotAsiaOrganisation is a membership based not-for-profit organization incorporated as a limited-by guarantee corporation in Hong Kong. DotAsia has a mandate to promote Internet development and adoption in Asia. DotAsia currently has 30 members including: 22 Sponsor (ccTLD) members and 8 Co-Sponsor members (Internet organizations). Members of DotAsia (http://www.dot.asia/dotasia-organisation/community-governance/#dotasiamembers) include ccTLD operators as well as APNIC (an Regional Internet Registry -- RIR) and APRALO (a Regional At Large Organization -- RALO) who are organizations within the ICANN structure. DotAsia members participate in the governance and elects the board of directors of the organization. I am an inventor of patents supporting Internationalized Domain Names (IDN) and Email Address Internationalization (EAI), and has a personal passion to see to the deployment and utilization of IDN and EAI. I serve on board of the IGFSa, ISOC HK and CDNC, and lead the secretariat for the APriGF which are potential supporters, collaborators and forum for UA advocacy</i></p>
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Ajay Data



Dr. Ajay Data, Founder & CEO, Data Infosys Limited, is most sought after leader for mentoring, technology guidance and motivating entrepreneurs. With a team of 1100+ people, Ajay is running multiple technology companies and won many recognitions and awards at National and International level. Data has done his MBA in Computer Applications and Doctorate in Electronic Data Processing. He has created many innovating products and got patents in his name.



Dr. Data has strong interest in multi-lingual internet and with a vision to connect people globally without language barrier, Dr. Data innovated and brought a handful of surprise for the whole World with his latest innovation: DATAMAIL - world's first linguistic E-Mail software solution, totally FREE for everyone.



Dr. Data has been executing lot of Government technology projects at national level and has been Rajasthan state Anchor for Data Security Council of India – (A focal body for data protection in India) while holding the chairman position of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Dr. Data has been participating and speaking at various seminars and dialogues for linguistic issues and UA. Even Dr. has been able to push efforts to make all Government sites UA ready.

Recently Russia has adopted this EAI technology with huge appreciation. Govt of India recently felicitated him for this innovation under Digital India program and Aegis Graham Bell Award for innovative Enterprise solution.

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Looking forward to do my bit for UASG, as I have live and working experience for EAI and all its components and would be happy to rapidly take UA initiatives to all parts of the world with all of UA members.

	<p><i>Disclaimer: I am the CEO of Data Xgen Technologies, who has developed the first EAI working Solution and made it commercially available for users and companies. My other Company Data Infosys Limited is registrar for .in and .bharat (IDN) domains.</i></p>
<p>Christian Dawson</p> 	<p><i>Disclaimer: Christian is Executive Director of i2Coalition, which has nearly 100 members in the cloud infrastructure community, many of which operate within the naming community. He is also co-founder of a small consultancy called Open-i Advisors. Finally, he is a shareholder in cloud services provider ServInt. Christian is a member of the ISPCP, a constituency within ICANN. He is also a policy fellow at the Open Technology Institute</i></p>
<p>Jothan Frakes</p> 	<p>I would appreciate the privilege to serve the ICANN community, through the Universal Acceptance Steering Group as one of the Vice Chairs. I am extremely familiar with UA, and have worked within the development and open source communities with outreach and activities about UA and Domain Names. As the co-founder of the largest commercial conference in the Domain Name industry, NamesCon, I have experience in reaching larger crowds with encouraging messaging about our industry. For nearly a decade I have worked two sides of the problem space at the core of UA while in a volunteer capacity with Mozilla and the Public Suffix List [http://publicsuffix.org]. For the benefit of registries proactively within the ICANN community I have worked to help developers and the open source community appreciate and understand DNS and TLDs and their evolution. For the benefit of the open source and application developer community I have worked to help with connecting with ccTLD, gTLD, and other direct resources within the registry and registrar space to help clarify, educate, and reduce confusion. The UASG have made good progress, and I can contribute towards enhancing and expanding that progress in alignment with the group's objectives, if chosen.</p> <p><i>Disclaimer: Owner and CEO of Plisk.com ICANN Accredited Registrar. Founder, NamesCon and DOMAINfest Conferences, Owner of Roundtable.org & StartupSpace.com conferences. Volunteer at Mozilla on Public Suffix List (“PSL”).</i></p>

	<p><i>Member of: Internet Society SFBA Chapter & National US Chapter, Domain Name Association, Internet Commerce Association</i></p>
<p>Rich Merdinger</p> 	<p><i>Disclaimer: Mr. Merdinger is a Vice President at GoDaddy, which has contracts with ICANN to serve as an Accredited Registrar and to operate the Brand TLD .GODADDY.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Merdinger currently also serves as Chair of the Domain Name Association, a domain industry organization dedicated to furthering the use of domain names as the primary navigation mechanism for the Internet.</i></p>
<p>Mark Svancarek</p> 	<p><i>Disclaimer: Mr. Svancarek is a Principal Program Manager at Microsoft. Microsoft has a broad portfolio of products and services to offer those customers and partners who will benefit from EAI, IDNs, and/or support for web sites using a new TLD as an Office 365 or Azure address.</i></p> <p><i>GoDaddy is a syndication partner for Microsoft Office 365. Mutual customers of GoDaddy and Microsoft will benefit from the ability to offer Office 365 accounts which use company addresses (AKA vanity domain names”) based on IDNs or new TLDs.</i></p>