

RSSAC Meeting Minutes

15 June 2023 | 14:45-16:15 UTC

Attendance

Cogent

DISA John Augenstein, Jill Place

ICANN Matt Larson

ISC Jeff Osborn, Rob Carolina

NASA Tom Miglin

Netnod Lars-Johan Liman

RIPE NCC

UMD Karl Reuss

USC ISI Wes Hardaker

US ARL Howard Kash, Ken Renard

Verisign Brad Verd

WIDE

Liaison to the Board Wes Hardaker

Liaison to the CSC Ken Renard

Liaison to the RZERC Daniel Migault

Liaison from the IAB Daniel Migault

Liaison from the SSAC Russ Mundy

Liaison from the IANA Functions Operator James Mitchell

Liaison from the Root Zone Maintainer Duane Wessels

Apologies Hiro Hotta (WIDE)

Staff Andrew McConachie and Ozan Sahin

Action Items from this Meeting:

- Staff to publish the minutes from the 2 May 2023 meeting.
- Staff to send published minutes from the 2 May 2023 meeting to the RSSAC Caucus mailing list.
- Staff to work with the Caucus membership committee to reach out to inactive Caucus members to see if they would be interested in switching to “mail list members.”
- Caucus membership committee and RSSAC admin committee to work together to reflect this new type of Caucus membership on the RSSAC webpage and RSSAC operational procedures document.
- Staff to prepare an appointment note on Lars-Johan Liman’s appointment as the RSSAC representative to the IFR2.
- Staff to publish RSSAC002v5.

- Staff to publish RSS Security Incident Reporting SoW and initiate a new RSSAC Caucus work party.
- Staff to set up an RSSAC teleconference on the topic of NomCom Rebalancing.
- Staff to work with Paul Hoffman to create a list of inconsistencies in RSSAC023v2 and share the list with RSSAC.

Call to Order

Jeff Osborn called the meeting to order at 14:45 UTC.

Roll Call

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

Agenda Review

Jeff Osborn reviewed the agenda. There were no objections or other requested additions.

Administration

Approval of Minutes

The RSSAC approved the draft minutes from the 2 May 2023 meeting. There were no abstentions or objections. Motion by Ken Renard and second by Lars-Johan Liman.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish the minutes from 2 May 2023 meeting.

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RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee Update

Ozan Sahin, support staff for RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee, explained that the committee conducted an RSSAC Caucus member activity study and 21 Caucus members were found to be inactive. Ozan shared that a common question from inactive Caucus members was whether it would be possible to switch to an “observer only” type of Caucus membership.

Ozan opened it up for a discussion on whether RSSAC members would like to create an “observer only” or “mailing list only” type of membership in the RSSAC Caucus. Wes Hardaker and Brad Verd expressed that they were not against adding a “mailing list only” class to the RSSAC Caucus membership; however RSSAC Caucus members were still required to be skilled and qualified. Duane Wessels and Lars-Johan Liman agreed with Wes and Brad. Russ Mundy suggested naming this class of Caucus participants as Caucus observers, not Caucus members.

RSSAC members also indicated that they are okay with turning down repeating RSSAC Caucus membership applications if the membership committee deems the application “not qualified”.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to work with the Caucus membership committee to reach out to inactive Caucus members to see if they would be interested in switching to “mail list members.”

ACTION ITEM: Caucus membership committee and RSSAC admin committee to work together to reflect this new type of Caucus membership on the RSSAC webpage and RSSAC operational procedures document.

Appointment of Representative to the IFR2

RSSAC appointed Lars-Johan Liman as its representative to the Second IANA Naming Function Review (IFR) Team by acclamation. Motion by Ken Renard, second by Brad Verd.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to prepare an appointment note on Lars-Johan Liman’s appointment as the RSSAC representative to the IFR2.

ICANN78 RSSAC Travel Support

Ozan Sahin reminded the RSSAC that RSSAC had six travel support slots for ICANN78 in Hamburg, Germany. Ozan invited interested RSSAC members to submit their travel support requests by 15 June 2023.

Work Items

RSSAC002v5

Ken Renard explained that RSSAC002v5 was about the metrics collected by root server operators. Ken added that the document went through a review period and became stable. RSSAC approved RSSAC002v5. There were no abstentions or objections. Motion by Lars-Johan Liman and second by Ken Renard.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish RSSAC002v5.

RSS Security Incident Reporting Statement of Work

Ken Renard explained that the statement of work (SoW) for the RSS Security Incident Reporting work party became stable and was ready for a vote. Ken invited RSSAC members to join the afternoon work session on the topic. RSSAC approved the RSS Security Incident Reporting SoW and initiated a new RSSAC Caucus work party. There were no abstentions or objections. Motion by Wes Hardaker and second by Lars-Johan Liman.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish RSS Security Incident Reporting SoW and initiate a new RSSAC Caucus work party.

RSSAC Feedback on NomCom Rebalancing

Ozan Sahin explained that he and Hans Petter Holen started a document that included the six questions for which the ICANN Board was looking to get input from SOACs. Ozan reminded the group that the deadline for feedback was the end of June.

Wes Hardaker encouraged RSSAC members to review the six questions from the ICANN Board and share their thoughts. RSSAC agreed to set up a call to discuss potential RSSAC input on NomCom Rebalancing.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to set up an RSSAC teleconference on the topic of NomCom Rebalancing.

RSSAC001v2 Work Party

Duane Wessels reported that the work party document was in a second last call period and explained the changes from the first last call review. Duane added that the document was expected to be up for RSSAC's consideration for approval during the July 2023 meeting.

Implementation of RSSAC047

Paul Hoffman explained that RSSAC047 was metrics being measured by outside parties of the root server operators. Paul reminded the group that the first recommendation from the document was for ICANN to commission an initial implementation of the measurement system. Paul mentioned that initial implementation was completed by ICANN. Paul talked about three holes regarding the validation, reporting and monitoring and added that RSSAC could consider going forward with recommendation 2 and 3 from RSSAC047.

RSSAC discussed the next steps in the implementation of RSSAC047. In light of the data collected, a few questions were shared with respect to the next steps: Did RSSAC get the threshold right? Did RSSAC list a proper set of things to be collecting and measuring and is there a need for adjustments? Duane Wessels suggested forming another work party to review these questions before taking another big step towards the implementation of RSSAC047.

History of IP Addresses

Paul Hoffman mentioned that he and Andrew McConachie had worked on a statement of work on the history of IP addresses used by the RSOs, some of which were already in the history document (RSSAC023v2). Paul proposed setting up a work party to research the IP addresses that have been used.

Brad Verd expressed that RSSAC023v2 needed to be fixed if there were inconsistencies in it. Duane Wessels agreed that any inconsistencies in RSSAC023v2 needed to be addressed. Duane added that RSSAC could also consider writing a document on how the root server's address is changed, how long a root server responds on the old one and how much advance notice should be given about this change. Karl Reuss mentioned that he would be interested in such a work effort. Russ Mundy brought up that updating the root server expectations document could be a better idea than writing a separate document.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to work with Paul Hoffman to create a list of inconsistencies in RSSAC023v2 and share the list with RSSAC.

Presentation from ICANN org Reviews Team

Larisa Gurnick, Evin Erdoğan, and Jason Kean from ICANN Reviews Team gave a presentation about the Implementation of the NomCom2 Review, NomCom Rebalancing, Implementation of the Second Organizational Review of the RSSAC, Holistic Review, Continuous Improvement Program, and Lifecycle of Reviews Project.

Reports

Chair/Vice Chair

Jeff Osborn and Ken Renard had no updates.

ICANN Board

Wes Hardaker reported that the ICANN Board met right before ICANN77. Wes added that the ICANN Board hot topics included the CEO search, future rounds of new gTLD applications, closed generics, and phasing out of WHOIS and switching over to RDAP.

Ken Renard mentioned that RSSAC had appointed himself and Brad Verd to the SubPro Implementation Review Team. Ken added that it was understood that the group was focused on the front part of the process by making the applicant guidebook; so Ken and Brad resigned from this group until the group gets back to the back end of the process.

CSC

Ken Renard reported that the SLAs were met 100% in May and things were going well.

RZERC

Daniel Migault mentioned that he sent a note to RSSAC about how RZERC was addressing the comments received during the RZERC Charter Review Public Comment period. Daniel shared that he was collecting any feedback from RSSAC about this effort and he requested RSSAC members to share any feedback by the end of June.

IAB

Daniel Migault had no updates.

SSAC

Russ Mundy thanked RSSAC members for joining the joint meeting with the SSAC at ICANN77.

IANA

James Mitchell had no updates.

RZM

Duane Wessels reminded RSSAC members that ZONEMD was coming to the root zone in 2023; 13 September 2023 being the target date for the first phase and 6 December 2023 being the target date for second phase.

Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG)

Brad Verd reported that RSS GWG had four sessions at ICANN77 and made progress.

Any Other Business

Ozan Sahin expressed that the RSSAC Admin Team proposed to have the RSSAC July meeting on Tuesday, 11 July 2023.

It was agreed to have the next RSSAC Meeting on Tuesday, 11 July 2023.

Adjournment

The RSSAC concluded the meeting without objections.