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Olaf Kolkman was born and raised in the Netherlands. He was trained as an astronomer but his interest in Internet technology took hold of his career path around 1996. He joined the RIPE NCC around 1997 where he got involved in the test-traffic project. That project brought him in contact with the IETF and he attended his first meeting in Munich.

After acting as operations manager for a while he became systems architect, responsible for DNSSEC deployment at the NCC, in 2000.

From that time on he has been active in the DNS community for instance as co-chair of the DNSEXT working group. In 2005 he joined NLnet Labs, a R&D foundation, as chief executive. He is an IAB member since March 2006. He chairs the IAB since March 2007.

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