ASO AC 2021 Work Plan Review

1.- Appoint the ASO AC Chair and Vice Chairs

a. In January 2021, hold an electronic vote for the Chair for that year. (The list of candidates and the voting timetable should have been finalized during December 2020.)

The voting timetable was finalized in December 2020, Kevin Blumberg and Hervé Clément were candidates. The election was opened on 1 January 2021. The secretariat announced on 7 January 2021 that Kevin Blumberg had been elected Chair for 2021.

b. At the January ASO AC meeting, confirm the election result.

The election result was confirmed during the 13 January 2021 meeting.

c. At the January ASO AC meeting, the newly elected Chair shall appoint two ASO AC members to be Vice Chairs. To be appointed, each of the appointees shall first, accept the appointment.

During that same meeting, Kevin Blumberg shared he had proposed Hervé Clément and Mike Silber to be appointed as Vice Chairs. Both had accepted.

d. The ASO AC will confirm the appointment of the Vice Chairs at the same January ASO AC meeting (in the event of no vote taking place) or at the subsequent meeting, if a vote is required.

The Vice Chairs appointments were confirmed, with no voting required per the ASO AC Operating Procedures.

e. Update the aso-chairs@ mailing list and notify the relevant ICANN parties.

The mailing list was updated by the Secretariat on 13 January 2021 and the relevant ICANN parties were notified.

2.- Review ASO AC mailing lists and ASO wiki

a. At the beginning of the year, review the lists of subscribers.

The list of subscribers was reviewed.

b. Determine if we need to review mailing list and ASO wiki policies, procedures, subscription guidelines, etc.

No need to review these aspects was identified.

3.- Review ASO AC Members Personal Profile

a. At the beginning of the year, ASO AC members must review their personal profile published on the ASO website.

The Secretariat requested ASO AC members to review their personal profiles on 11 January 2021. James Kennedy's profile was added in June 2021 after his appointment to the ASO AC.

b. Personal profile must have employer details and all relevant volunteer affiliations.

All profiles contain this information.

4.- Form the Policy Proposal Facilitator Teams (PPFT), appoint PPFT members for Global Policy Proposals (GPP), and review the process to track and define a potential "global policy".

The PPFT was formed in February 2021 and was composed of Martin Hannigan (ARIN), Wafa Dahmani (AfriNIC), Shubham Saran (APNIC), Esteban Lescano (LACNIC) and Hervé Clément (RIPE NCC). A Global Policy Development (GPD) Review session was held on 20 October 2021, including a presentation from each RIR of an overview of the GPD process in each region.

5.- Set the timetable for the year's meetings

a. In January 2021, set the timetable (dates and times) for the rest of the meetings of the year (2021).

The timetable was proposed in January 2021 and approved during the January 2021 meeting.

6.- Adopt the ASO AC Work Plan for 2021

a. In January, adopt the work plan for the year. The work plan should have been drafted by a volunteer selected at the end of the previous year.

In November 2020, Mike Silber volunteered to draft the ASO AC 2021 Work Plan 2021, which was adopted during the January 2021 meeting.

7.- Continue the appointment process for the ICANN Board Seat No. 9

a. Qualification Review Committee reviews the qualifications of candidate applicants. The list of qualified candidates are posted per operating procedures.

The QRC was established comprising Nurani Nimpuno (RIPE NCC), Aftab Siddiqui (APNIC), Ricardo Patara (LACNIC), Louie Lee (ARIN) and Mike Silber (AfriNIC). The QRC reviewed the qualifications of the applicants and the qualifications of the candidates were reviewed and a list of 10 candidates was posted on the ASO website.

b. The Interview Committee is formed from the members of the QRC. The IC will finalize details concerning the various interviews in the selection process.

The QRC members formed the IC and actively prepared the content of the questionnaires and the way the interviews would be conducted.

c. Conduct the selection process, and announce the selection.

The IC conducted

- a first round of written interviews (=> 8 candidates),
- a second round of videoconferences 10-18 March (=> 4 candidates)
- a third round of videoconferences 5-6 April –

Alan Barrett was finally elected and the selection was announced publicly in June 2021.

8.- Appoint members to the ICANN NomCom and other groups as required

a. Early in the year confirm with ICANN NomCom their deadline for the ASO representative appointment

ICANN officially shared that a NomCom delegate would be requested from the ASO AC by the end of July 2021.

b. Review and finalize the NomCom appointment process.

The appointment process timeline was defined, including a sufficiently long nomination period to ensure proper outreach. The selection process was similar to the previous year.

c. Perform outreach to seek candidates for an ICANN NomCom representative.

Outreach was undertaken.

d. Considering ICANN NomCom time appointment requirements, appoint the ICANN NomCom representative and announce the appointment.

Brajesh Jain was appointed as the ASO AC NomCom representative and the result was announced prior to the requested deadline.

9.- Participate in RIR Global policy process and tracking of ongoing Global Policy Proposals (GPPs) (if any)

a. The Policy Proposal Facilitator Team will help the ASO AC determine if an RIR policy proposal can potentially be a GPP. If so, the PPFT will track the proposal through each region's PDP and produce a report for the ASO AC to help assess if the requirements are met.

Martin Hannigan pointed out that ARIN policy proposal 2021-1 could involve a GPP discussion. It was determined by ARIN that proposal 2021-1 adopted an "Editorial Change" status without any global policy impact.

b. The ASO AC will forward any GPP to the ICANN Board along with the AC's assessment of the GPP.

NA

- 10. Begin the appointment process for the ICANN Board Seat No. 10
- a. Review and finalize the appointment process.

The appointment process was discussed during the year.

b. Determine the time frame for the selection process.

The timeframe was discussed and published on the ASO web site during September 2021.

c. Send out the call for candidates.

The calls were sent by each RIR at the same time.

d. Form committees as the procedure dictates.

The QRC was formed in October 2021 and comprises Mike Silber (AFRINIC), Shubham Saran (APNIC), Martin Hannigan (ARIN), Ricardo Patara (LACNIC), Hervé Clément (RIPE NCC).

11. Review the current ASO AC Operating Procedures and if changes are required follow procedures for updating the guide.

The Operating Procedures were discussed in 2021 and further work will continue in 2022.

12. Participate and conduct outreach efforts at ICANN Meetings.

Plan for any ASO AC attendees at ICANN meetings.

NA: all 2021 ICANN meetings are virtual.

b. As the first ICANN meeting of the 2021 calendar year is likely to be virtual, organise a virtual ASO AC meeting with attendance by as many ASO AC members as possible.

That meeting, focused on Global Policy Development Process was organized in October.

c. Review the possibility of an "in person" ASO AC meeting during the 2021 calendar year.

It was determined that there was no possibility of an "in person" meeting during 2021.

d. Where possible at ICANN meeting(s) during calendar year 2021, hold (virtual or in person) public meetings for reporting and outreach from the numbers community to other parts of the ICANN community. Develop the content based on the make-up of the audience.

The last ASO AC update had been prepared for ICANN 70.

e. Hold discussions with the ICANN Board and other ICANN groups. Identify topics and start scheduling early to minimize conflict.

As discussed with the NRO EC and as there had not been specific subject to share, there were no meetings with the ICANN Board in 2021.

- 13. Provide regular updates to the Numbering communities.
- a. Update the ASO Report with information of the last 2020 RIRs meetings.

The document was updated and published for the ICANN 70 virtual meeting.

https://aso.icann.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/ICANN70_ASO_Policy_Update_FINAL.pdf

b. Present ASO activity report at RIR meetings during the year.

The activities are presented regularly at RIR meetings.

14. Review the ASO AC activities for the current year

a. In November 2021, call for an AC member to volunteer to prepare the Activity Review of the work that was accomplished over the 2021 calendar year. The draft should be circulated prior to the December 2021 meeting for comments and discussion.

After having presented the pre-review in August, Hervé Clément volunteered in November 2021 to prepare this Activity Review. The final version was sent on 11 January 2022 to the ASO AC.

i. Review should include the effectiveness of activities of PPFT members.

Included.

ii. In January 2022, accept the ASO AC 2021 Activities Review.

Accepted during the January 2022 meeting.

15. Draft the ASO AC Work Plan for 2022

a. By the first week of November, call for an AC member to volunteer to draft the ASO AC Work Plan for the following year. The draft should be circulated in December 2021 for consideration and adoption in January 2022.

In November 2021, Saul Stein and James Kennedy volunteered to prepare the ASO AC Work Plan for 2022, which was circulated in December 2021.

16. Review all the ASO AC appointments made to different ICANN committees and working groups.

a. Review for sufficient reason for each appointment to continue.

i. If there is enough reason, then check with the current appointee if he/she wants to continue; otherwise, appoint a new candidate.

The NRO EC appointed Hervé Clément as a member of the ICANN 2021 Community Excellence Award Selection Panel, the results of which were announced in June 2021.

ii. If there is not enough reason, then terminate the appointment and notify the relevant group.

N/A

b. Define the term for each appointment and review the terms.

Done.

17. Review the transparency of AC's work

a. In November 2021, review what went well and what improvements can be made with the transparency of the ASO AC in terms of meetings (full, subgroup/committees), mailing list, etc. Make adjustments as necessary.

Kevin Blumberg and Shubham Sharan volunteered in November to review the transparency of AC's work. The document was shared within the ASO AC and accepted in January 2022.

18. Set the date and time for the January 2022 meeting.

a. In December 2021, set the date and time of the first meeting of 2022.

The first 2022 meeting took place on 12 January 2022.

19. Begin to set the timetable for 2022 meetings.

a. In December 2021, consider the dates and times for the meetings for the following year, including drafting and reviewing the timetable (dates and times) for the rest of next year (2022). Conflicts with these meetings should be avoided when possible: RIR, ICANN, IGF, and possibly large regional NOGs.

The proposed timetable was shared by the Secretariat in December 2021.

b. By October 2021, set a place and date for a possible face to face meeting of the entire ASO AC in 2022.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation and uncertainty regarding travel, it was not possible to confirm the possibility of in-person ASO AC meeting, nor to set a place and date.

20. Begin the process for selecting the ASO AC Chair for 2022.

a. In the December 2021 meeting, determine the timetable and election schedule.

The nomination phase took place during December 2021 and the election period 2 -9 January 2022.

b. In December 2021, call for nominations & seconds, and finalize the list of candidates.

Kevin Blumberg was the only candidate.