

Media Release

auDA appointment to DNS Abuse Institute Advisory Council

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auDA welcomes the appointment of its Chief Operating Officer, Dr Bruce Tonkin, to the Domain Name System (DNS) Abuse Institute (the Institute) Advisory Council.

The Institute was created by Public Interest Registry to foster industry collaboration and develop solutions to combat DNS abuse including malware, botnets, phishing, pharming, and related spam.

In this new role Bruce will actively participate in Advisory Council meetings to provide insight and guidance on DNS abuse reduction and prevention initiatives undertaken by the Institute. He is joined by global experts from the Internet, domain name, privacy and cyber security sectors.

auDA CEO, Rosemary Sinclair AM, commended the Institute on its appointment. She said, "There are few candidates in Australia with more experience in domain names and DNS abuse than Bruce. He brings with him a great wealth of knowledge and passion for Internet connectivity and cyber security and will be an asset to the Advisory Council."

Bruce said, "I am thrilled to join the Advisory Council. I look forward to sharing lessons from auDA's strong track record of combatting DNS abuse and advancing the Institute's aims".

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Note to media:

More information on the DNS Abuse Institute Advisory Council can be found on the DNS Abuse Institute's [website](#).

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About auDA:

.au Domain Administration Limited (auDA) is a not-for-profit organisation that works with a range of stakeholders including industry, government and the Australian and International community to develop the rules for and administer the .au country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD). The .au ccTLD is a key to part of Australia's digital infrastructure, and auDA is endorsed by the Australian Government, and has an agreement with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), to ensure that the .au domain namespace is a secure, reliable and trusted Australian public asset for all Internet users.