

# Record of Meeting

Meeting	Technical Advisory Standing Committee Meeting	
Date / Time	Tuesday 21 June 2022 / 3.00pm – 5.00pm AEDT	
Location	<b>Hybrid:</b> auDA's Boardroom, Level 19, 8 Exhibition Street, Melbourne and via Microsoft Teams	
Present	Nigel Phair (Chair) Dr Lisa Dethridge Paul Day Patrick Fair Geoff Huston, AM	Jonathan Gleeson Kim Lowton Jo O'Brien Anuja Rao Martin Schlatter
Also in attendance	Colin Brown, auDA CPCO Sonia Joksimovic, auDA Co Sec	Matthew Healy, auDA Director Peter Elford, auDA Director
Apologies	Rosemary Sinclair AM, auDA CEO Bruce Tonkin, auDA COO Sophie Mitchell, auDA CCO	

## 1. Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all members present and opened the meeting at 3.03pm.

The Chair noted auDA's CEO, Rosemary Sinclair, COO, Bruce Tonkin and CCO, Sophie Mitchel as apologies for today's meeting, due to international travels to attend ICANN 74.

## 2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair provided an Acknowledgement of Country, paying respect to the traditional owners of the land upon which Committees were located during the meeting, including elders past and present.

## 3. Declaration of Interests

The Committee noted the standing Declarations of Interests Register.

The Chair confirmed from all present that there were no conflicts of interest to be declared.

#### 4. Previous Record of Meeting – 8 March 2022

The Committee reviewed the draft record of the meeting held 8 March 2022 and **resolved** to approve the record of the meeting, as true and correct.

#### 5. Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting

The Committee noted an update on previous meeting actions.

#### 6. History of DNSSEC

The Committee noted the Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC) summary prepared by Geoff Huston, as included in the meeting papers.

The Chair invited Geoff Huston to provide a brief overview of the history of DNSSEC, noting the proper functioning of the internet is critically dependent on the DNS.

Critical points of trust and key weaknesses were outlined with regards to the DNSSEC, concluding that there is not a clear and useful solution to a current set of OPSEC issues, which was noted.

The Committee provided the following observations, which was discussed:

- Market Survey Data – to manage keys and cryptography
- Learnings from cryptocurrency
- Technology mandates for top-level domains
- Data Management Strategy
- National Security; and
- Political Lobbying

The Committee agreed further socio-economic data is required to build a case to ascertain the urgency and importantly discharge its role as a Committee, to then provide advice and recommendations to the auDA Board in relation to this issue.

The Committee noted auDA's COO has raised the DNSSEC issue previously with Home Affairs.

**Action:** It was **agreed** auDA's COO would provide an update DNSSEC Security, to be presented at the next Committee meeting [auDA COO, June 2022].

#### 7. Proposed 2022 Committee Workplan

The Committee suggested the following topics to assist the development of a Committee Workplan:

- DNSSEC (i.e. lowering cost and automated Digital Signature (DS) Management with focus on auDA's strategic pillars for trust and innovation)

- Critical Infrastructure
- Australian National Cyber Security Strategy (i.e. Watching Brief)
- Observations to keep the Committee informed on Methodology, Malware and Failures giving rise to Security Breaches
- New Government Priorities (suggesting the December 2022 meeting timeframe)

## 8. Committee consideration for Guest Speakers to address Technical Matters in Future

The Committee suggested the following guest speakers to address technical matters for future meetings:

- Hamish Hansford – Home Affairs
- Sean Duca – Vice President and Regional Chief Security Officer for Palo Alto Networks, Asia Pacific and Japan
- ICANNS SSAC (Security and Stability Advisory Committee)

**Action:** The Chair encouraged members to consider and advise within one week of the meeting, any additional subject matter experts[Committee, June 2022].

## 9. Update on 2022 auDA Grants Foundation Program

The CPCO was invited to update the Committee of the development of auDA's Foundation 2022 Grants Program, noting a launch event in Sydney, is scheduled 10 August 2022 with TASC members invited to attend.

The Committee noted key themes for the 2022 Grants Program (i.e. First Nations, Cyber Security, Innovation for Small Businesses and Digital Access for Young Australians and remote areas, including disadvantaged communities), with members encouraged to provide feedback to assist its refinement.

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

## 10. auDA Membership/Community Events

The Committee noted auDA's 2022 Member and Stakeholder Events schedule.

The CPCO updated the Committee on upcoming webinars:

- ICANN74 7 July 2022
- Sydney Member EOFY event 12 July 2022
- Melbourne Member EOFY event 19 July 2022

**Action:** Provide the Committee registration details for the upcoming ICANN74 webinar, scheduled 7 July 2022 [CoSec, June 2022].

**Action:** Confirm whether the Member EOFY events will be available virtual [CPCO, June 2022].

## 11. Other Business

Patrick Fair updated the Committee on recent developments on Security of Critical Infrastructure (SoCI) and DNS and observations on how it applies to auDA, which was noted.

A summary of the developments tabled in a PowerPoint Presentation, was noted.

**Action:** It was **agreed** discussion questions, tabled within the PowerPoint Presentation for Committee consideration, will be addressed offline [Committee, June 2022].

The National Cyber Security Paper, released by the Australian Government, was noted for Committee information.

**Action:** It was **agreed** auDA's COO with provide an overview of the June 2022 ICANN74 Policy Forum held in the Netherlands, for the September 2022 meeting [auDA COO, June 2022].

The Company Secretary reminded members to submit their sitting fee invoices prior to the end of financial year end.

## 12. Meeting Close

The Chair confirmed there was no further comments or questions from the Committee.

The Committee noted the next meeting date is scheduled **Tuesday 6 September 2022 at 11.00am - 1.00pm.**

The Meeting closed at 4.58pm

Signed as a true and correct record.

**Nigel Phair**  
Committee Chair

Date: 28 June 2022