# **Record of Meeting**

Meeting	Technical Advisory Standing Committee Meeting	
Date / Time	Tuesday 8 March 2022 / 11.00am – 1.00pm AEDT	
Location	Teams Meeting	
Present	Nigel Phair (Chair) Paul Day Dr Lisa Dethridge Patrick Fair Geoff Huston, AM ( <i>joined at 11.12am</i> )	Kim Lowton Jo O'Brien Anuja Rao Martin Schlatter
Also in attendance	Rosemary Sinclair AM, auDA CEO Sonia Joksimovic, auDA Co Sec Bruce Tonkin, auDA COO Colin Brown, auDA CPCO	Matthew Healy, auDA Director Peter Elford, auDA Director
Apologies	Jonathan Gleeson Sophie Mitchell, auDA CCO	

#### 1. Welcome and Introduction

The Chair noted a reconstitution of the Committee, welcomed all members present to the inaugural meeting and opened the meeting at 11am.

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

**Action:** It was **agreed** members are to complete and return the declaration form for an Interest Register to be tabled at future meetings.

#### 4. Previous Record of Meeting – 14 December 2021

The Committee noted the approved record of the meeting from 14 December 2021.

# 5. Actions Arising from Previous Meeting

The Chair noted the completed actions from the previous meeting.

#### 6. Round Table Introduction of the Committee

The Chair invited attendees to provide a brief introduction.

#### 7. auDA Board Objectives for TASC

The Chair invited Board representative, Peter Elford, to outline the Board objectives for the Advisory Committee.

The Committee discussed how it can contribute to the Company's core strategic objectives to build trust and innovation and add value to the Board through its advice role.

The Committee noted the Government is responding to increased threats on cyber security and the Chair suggested members explore case studies and the damage caused to critical infrastructure for future discussion.

The auDA COO differentiated risks to auDA (i.e. change to DNS configuration which impacts infrastructure integrity) and its community (i.e. compromised websites that are the source of phishing and malware associated with .au domains) for Committee information.

The auDA COO further noted data on enquires and complaint types auDA receives, at the Registry level for Committee information.

Geoff Huston suggested the following websites to provide useful insight to members:

https://stats.labs.apnic.net/dnssec/AU

https://www.potaroo.net/ispcol/2022-02/dns4eu.html

https://stats.labs.apnic.net/rvrs/AU

#### 8. Role of the Committee

The Chair noted the reconstitution of the Committee aligns with the new auDA Board (appointed November 2019) and its updated Terms of Endorsement from the Australian Government (published November 2021).

The CPCO referenced the Committee Charter for members information.

The Committee discussed the responsibility of the Board to make informed decisions and the Committee's role to assist with expert advice and recommendations.

Members were encouraged to provide feedback to assist potential topics for the Committee to consider.

It was suggested that the Committee Charter be reviewed to provide clearer focus on the risks about which the Board is seeking advice.

The Chair requested members provide feedback for a Committee workplan to be developed, which is to include guest speakers and subject matter experts.

It was noted this workplan will also assist measuring the Committee's future performance and success, and how it is adding value to the auDA Board.

**Action:** It was **agreed** Management is to consider focus areas (i.e. hot issues) for the Committee to assist with.

**Action:** It was **agreed** information on DNS Development, will be shared with the Committee to assist future discussions.

**Action:** It was **agreed** Geoff Huston will present at the next meeting on the history of DNSSEC, its benefit and why it is being adopted by some and not others.

#### 9. Overview of the 2022 auDA Grants Foundation Program

The CPCO was invited to inform the Committee of the auDA Foundation 2022 Grants Program and noted the key focus of auDA's future investment is to support innovation.

The Committee noted the 2021 Grants Foundation Program awarded \$600,000 in funding to support 15 eligible applicants in various projects.

The Committee noted the beneficiary categories and further noted a few of these successful applicants are focused on small businesses and cyber security.

**Action:** It was **agreed** the CPCO would distribute the list of recipients and their projects to the Committee.

The Committee was encouraged to provide feedback to assist the 2022 Innovation and Impact Strategy.

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 noted the Committee will be kept informed on the development of online webinars focus topics and interstate seminars.

There is no conflict of interest for Advisory members to register as members of auDA, and members of the GASC are encouraged to join as members to receive regular information about auDA's activities.

## 11. 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 21 June 2022 at 3.00pm - 5.00pm**.

The Meeting closed at 12.55pm

Signed as a true and correct record.

#### Nigel Phair

Committee Chair

Date: