

# UASG Monthly report

February 2023

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## 1, Overview of the work in 2022

Since the regular meeting of the UASG Working Group in March 2022, I have been engaged in specific work as the ccNSO's liaison to the group. I will have taken part in 10 UASG working group meetings by the end of February 2022, online participated 6 UASG-related sessions in ICANN 74 and ICANN 75, 9 UA DAY working group meetings, and 3 UA DAY Proposal meetings. The work related to UA is mainly discussed as follows:

a. Planning and officially launching UA DAY project (launched in August), including setting up UA DAY project discussion group, having full discussion on target objects, planning schedule of activities, global event location, budget, design of proposal requirements, preparation of event materials, etc. And officially announced UA DAY and the Call for Proposals event on ICANN and UASG websites on January 5, 2023 (<https://uasg.tech/ua-day/>).

b. Report the work of UASG to ICANNorg on (May), including the introduction of the organizational structure and operating mode of UASG. Moreover, aim to increase ICANN's assistance with the UASG's efforts, including ICANN's active support in establishing a conversation between the UASG and international technology organizations, the creation of a regular UASG option at ICANN meetings, ICANN's help in co-branding activities to promote UA, the suggestion that the ICANN website could support multiple language versions and EAI electronic communications, and the invitation to Göran Marby, ICANN's president at the time, to serve as the UASG Ambassador.

c. Discuss UASG FY23 planning and release in June;

d. Discuss the topics to be discussed by UASG in ICANN74 and ICANN 75, UASG held the UAWG working group meeting in ICANN74 preparation week, UASG conducted more outreach work in ICANN75 meeting, and prepared the UAWG working group

meeting in the preparation week. Participated in the work discussion of Tech Day, hosted "Driving Local Change for Universal Acceptance(UA)Adoption Global", "Planning for Universal Acceptance(UA)Day" Meeting, "IGNSO Council Meeting (UASG interaction)", "ccNSO and Universal Acceptance" meeting represented by the Chairman of UASG, to promote UA in a larger scale. Before ICANN 75 meeting, opinions were consulted on the planning of UA by ccNSO. At that time, the reply was that ccNSO would set up a discussion group for research.

e. UASG communication Group contributes to the success of the African IGF and the global IGF.

f. Release of UA-Readiness Report for FY22 (August).

g. Release of UASG 044 EAI Self-Certification Guidelines (December).

h. Regional working groups represented by China, Russia CIS-EE, India FICCI and Thailand share their regional UA promotion efforts on a monthly basis.

## 2. Overview of the work in January-February 2023

a. According to the first UA DAY and proposal solicitation activity released on January 5th, the UA DAY discussion group started the working discussion of proposal review, determined that the UASG Action working group would lead to complete the back-to-back scoring, and formed the proposal review group by volunteer (I have applied to be a member of the proposal discussion group). And review all proposals by adding one proposal discussion each week.

b. After the proposal closed on January 31, 89 proposals were received in total, involving 55 countries and territories and 69 cities. The Action Group has proposed a budget allocation: US \$1,000 for half-day event; US \$2,000 for one day's event; US \$3,000 for two days' event; US \$5,000 for district half-day event; And US \$6,000 for district one day's activities.

c. UASG has completed the proposal page, <https://uasg.tech/ua-day>, and set an independent domain name <https://universalacceptance.day> for the page.

d. The technical group has preliminarily completed the preparation of 1-hour and 2-hour training and EAI training documents, and has extensively solicited the opinions of the team, and completed the adjustment after summarizing the opinions, and considered the translation of 1-hour and 2-hour materials within the budget of UASG.

e. At the proposal review meeting on February 2, the discussion focused on how to conduct pre-calculation approval. Finally, based on the opinions of Chairman Dr. Ajay, individual screening was carried out by country, and the proposal with the highest score was selected from each country to form the preliminary approval form, with the total application cost of about 65 thousand dollars. This will be the basis for reporting to the board of directors, and hope to seek for more budget. The review did not give final approval to specific projects.

f. The general election schedule and matters needing attention of UASG will be announced on February 20, 2023.

### 3. Expectations of UASG

a. Hope that ccNSO can call on ccTLD's around the world to participate in UA DAY eve more actively, such as suggesting the chairman of each ccTLD to publish UA activity message, discussing the road map of promoting UA, etc.

b. Hope that ccNSO can call on the IDNs (Internationalized Domain Names) users to join the UA local organization, strengthen the local efforts to promote UA.