

UASG work monthly report

March 2024

UASG Coordination WG Progress

Agenda Item A: 2024 UA DAY

According to the UA Day schedule, the February UA Day team has completed the approval of all proposals and is moving forward with the signing of the UA Day contract. At the moment, The UASG has published the shortlisted events for the second annual UA Day, which will be held from March through the end of May and will feature 56 events spanning more than 52 countries around the world. In addition, ICANN has announced that UA Day 2024 will feature a keystone global event in Belgrade, Serbia on 28 March. Global daily activities have been published on website; details are as follows: <https://uasg.tech/2024/02/uasg-announces-shortlisted-events-for-ua-day-2024/>. For more information about keystone UA Day event, please visit the following website: <https://uaday.rs/?lang=en>. For more information about UA Day proposals, please visit: <https://uasg.tech/ua-day/>. We welcome your attention and participation in the nearby UA Day activities.

Agenda Item B: ICANN79 sessions

- i. UASG related issues in ICANN79 are as follows. Most of the meetings have been completed, and the conference video replay is accessible for

your viewing: <https://icann79.sched.com/>.

- Prep Week – UASG Community Update (20 Feb)
- Prep Week –Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) Updates (21 Feb)
- ccNSO: Universal Acceptance Committee Work Session (2 Mar)
- GAC: Brief on Universal Acceptance Strategies (3 Mar)
- Fellows and NextGen Getting to know UASG session (3 Mar)
- UASG Governance and Plans Work Session (5 Mar)
- Universal Acceptance Day 2024 (6 Mar)

ii. Summary of meeting content

The UASG actively shares the following information in different meetings:

- Community Update: UASG's annual action goal is a call to action, and it hopes to drive more effective action in business, government, and education in support of UA.
- Measurement WG Update: Twelve modules including Unicode Programming Fundamentals Instructor Guide and Programming in Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) are introduced UA-Aware IT/Computer Science Curriculum.
- Technology WG Update: Conduct UA Strategic Survey, consulted to 69 UA experts; 35 of them responded, the investigation report will be released later. And A new Statement of Work has been crafted to address UA readiness issues with programming languages and software development frameworks.

- **EAI WG Update:** To facilitate experimentation by system admins by providing them with technical working EAI setup, configuration and testbed for self-hosting. This takes the form of a script that people can run on a Linux server to provide EAI mail service.
- **Communications WG Update:** Introduction to the preparations for 2024UA Day. Five new UA Ambassadors have joined the UA Ambassador Program. There are now a total of 18 Ambassadors. The new UA Ambassadors are: Amina Ramallan (Nigeria), Krislin Goulbourne-Harry (St. Vincent and the Grenadines), Lia Marcia Solis Montano (Bolivia), Chilufya Theresa Mulenga (Zambia), Balendu Sharma (India). The profiles of all The Ambassadors can be found at <https://uasg.tech/about/people/>.
- **UASG Governance and Plans:** To promote UA adoption, UASG to focus on the Governments on the demand side, for updating their procurement policies; Big tech companies / Open-source communities on supply side, for supporting UA in their tools and applications; DNS industry and service providers (TLD registries, registrars, ISPs, hosting providers, etc).
- **Governance of UASG:** Statement of Interest (SoI) mechanism will be in place for all UASG members, including ua-discuss list, WG members and leadership roles. According to the schedule, Existing members are to submit the SOI form in 31Mar 2024. It also explains the UASG WG Chairs and Vice Chairs selection and

performance requirements, Succession planning for leadership positions, Transparency of information accessible to the community, establish mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of resource and other governance plans.