

UASG work monthly report

December 2023

UASG Coordination WG Progress on November

Agenda Item A: UASG Five-Year Strategic Plan FY2025-2029.

According to Jim's feedback, the current draft of the Five-Year Strategic Plan reflects the components of groups and structural improvements, and the focus should be on measurability and technicality rather than listing what we expect to accomplish. Based on Jim's feedback, group members discussed and suggested ways to review the document paragraph by paragraph and add comments, add a comment section at the end of the five-year plan for members to add comments. Sarmad indicated that it would be best if each group came up with an actual plan for the next 5 years by December 31st, and these would be summarized to build up the five-year plan for the UASG. Satish indicated that currently the five-year plan seems to be top-down and suggested that the overall strategy be coordinated and guidance provided, with the groups implementing the strategy from the bottom-up. The overall draft has now been published in the ICANN78 meeting, and discussion of the structure will continue. It was suggested that everyone read this document carefully and continue the discussion in 2 weeks.

Agenda Item B: Implementation SOI

Anil said that SOI implementation for new and existing members must be seriously considered, and that the scope of implementation needs to be defined. It also needs to be further clarified what the consequences will be if older members fail to respond after the deadline. It should also be clarify the information that needs to be collected based on the operating procedures, and allow time for communication with existing members. It is certain that SOI is a known process in ICANN and UASG has not been able to implement it, should be implemented as soon as possible. Simultaneously, the executives in ICANN78 meeting clearly stated that ICANN will not approve additional resources and additional budget before SOI is fully implemented.

Agenda Item C: CSI-EE Recommendations for the 2024 Global UA Day Event

Anil discussed the shared draft of the UA Day plan with the working group and solicited feedback before finalizing and releasing it. The current proposal received for the Global Day is a CSI-EE submission with the event location in Serbia. The call for proposals for local initiatives will open on November 1st and will be prominently displayed on the official website. Sarmad reminded that the UA Day global event was not selected last year and will not go through the call for global proposals this year. the global day prefers to collaborate with local initiative organizations, and is more concerned with timing and location. The Coordination Working Group is expected to convene an ad hoc meeting to discuss this on the 15th, and that the global day The location of the event was originally scheduled

to be determined on November 25th, although it has not been announced at this time.

Agenda Item D: 2024 UA DAY event

The UA Day 2024 event page is now ready and welcomes local organizations to start themed events around UA technology enhancement, UA enablement, UA advocacy, etc. Event page link is as follow: <https://uasg.tech/ua-day/> and calls for more ccTLDs to join in the UA Day activities.