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## Executive Summary

Over the past year, there has been many activities related to policy initiatives, but the OMAC members that primarily attend IETF meetings have not had the same level of engagement. There is energy in the Organization Member community to reenergize the OMAC and define better engagement practices for all OMAC communities. A practical set of steps have been identified to reengage the all groups in the OMAC community.

## Meetings

### Previous Meetings

There were several meetings held at various venues since November 2017:

- OMAC in London at IETF 101: Thursday, March 22
  - The topics was a practical discussion on actions to take to revitalize the OMAC.
- OMAC virtual meeting: Thursday, March 8
  - Main topics included an overview of the ISOC Campaigns, Jeff Wilbur on the IOT Security Framework campaign, and a brainstorming session on the value of the OMAC, how to enable the OMAC to provide value, and the roadblocks to OMAC success.
- OMAC at IGF in Geneva: Tuesday, December 19
  - Main topics included Internet Futures by Kathy Brown, Jane Coffin on Community Networks, and initial discussion on how to revitalize engagement in the OMAC.
- OMAC Meeting in Singapore at IETF 100: Thursday, November 16
  - Main topics included reports from ISOC Staff and Leadership on Activities in Asia/PAC, Activities in Security and Trust, and a briefing from Kathy Brown.

### Upcoming Meetings

One on the activities over the first couple weeks of April 2018 is to build a predictable rhythm for a meeting schedule. The following list includes scheduled meetings and a preliminary starting point for meetings moving forward in 2018.

- RSA in San Francisco: Monday April 16
  - Engagement and discussion with the OTA crowd.
- Virtual OMAC Meeting: Thursday June 7
- IETF 102 in Montreal: Friday July 20
  - Co-Chair election results, ISOC Campaign Updates (depending on availability), OMAC Member roundtable reviewing ISOC Strategy and collecting input from members on important topics for ISOC to consider
- Virtual OMAC Meeting: Thursday September 13
- ICANN 63 in Barcelona: TBD and/or IGF 2018: TBD
- IETF 103 in Bangkok: Friday November 9

## OMAC Revitalization

The Internet Society is growing and there are different types of communities that are joining as Org Members. Ensuring all the Org Members are engaged and coordinated is a key aspect of what needs to be done to revitalize the OMAC. Org Members represent not only the Technical Community (predominately IETF individuals), and the Policy Community (predominately ISOC and Government Regulatory/Policy individuals), but also some vertically oriented communities (like OTA), and the development community as well. Ensuring the OMAC leadership has a plan to ensure coverage of and coordination with all the OMAC communities is paramount to success. Processes for communication and collaboration between ISOC, BoT, and OMAC need to be discussed, but not become too arduous or cumbersome.

The issue of the communication was discussed at length. Writing down some basic guidelines and brainstorming the best ways to ensure what the OMAC wishes to contribute is heard by ISOC, that ISOC has effective ways to announce work and request assistance to the right contacts within an Org Member, and that ISOC can continue to produce output that is inclusive of input but still maintains the ethos of the Internet would be beneficial.

The bottom-line is that there is energy among the Org Members to resolve the issues of engagement and evolve the OMAC into a vibrant organization that can serve as an advisory group to ISOC while maintaining the good communication flow from ISOC to the Org Members.

## Elections

An important aspect of revitalizing the OMAC is to encourage leaders to step-up from the community. All three co-chair slots are up for reelection this year. A call for nominees will go out soon after the ISOC BoT election results are finalized. The goal is to have the OMAC co-chair election completed before IETF 102 in Montreal so that meeting can be the kick-off introducing the new leadership and engagement practices.

## Thanks

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