

# OMAC Roundtable #3

## Meeting Summary

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### Topic of OMAC Roundtable #3

From the first and second roundtable meetings we learned that the impacts of policies are an important issue for you as they affect the foundation of the Internet ecosystem.

(<https://www.internetsociety.org/issues/internet-way-of-networking/>).

With this in mind, the third OMAC roundtable discussed the possibility/interest of creating a network of Internet policy peers that trust, learn and actively collaborate with each other to address policy issues.

### Key Take Away

- Not to create duplications
- Focus on issues that are of interest to Internet Society's mission and its community
- Internet Society staff to regularly give updates on what is being worked on with regards to policy issues and get input from the OMAC on those issues



- Interest from OMAC members to have a platform to identify policy issues that org members see as important now (or upcoming) and feed policy ideas, information etc. into Internet Society

## Discussion Points

- A policy network covering areas not dealt with elsewhere makes sense. However, it is important that it doesn't compete in areas already covered such as, for example, Domain Name Policy which sits with ICANN
- Possibility for this group to use its expertise to feed policy ideas, information etc. into Internet Society to enable the organization be a more effective player in the policy spaces
- Internet Society's contributions to government consultations in Canada has been quite useful. Therefore, it may be useful to bring the goings on of the various jurisdictions to this fora and share our perspectives in an advisory capacity
- A suggestion for Internet Society to be rather more focused on the "technical" (non-policy) bits such as things like MANRS have been useful, measurement, community networks, IXPs, etc.

## Next Steps

- Organization members team to work with OMAC co-chairs and Ilona stadnik on a concept note for creating a network that could feed policy issues into Internet Society's work and share on the e-list to see if there is enough interest from OMAC to pursue the idea.

