OMAC Activities

Highest organization member voting rate delivered

72% of organization members have casted their vote during the Internet Society Board of Trustee elections. This was the highest level recorded in the Internet Society history. This success reflects the collaboration between the OMAC and the organization membership team to constantly engage organization members in supporting the Internet Society’s in working towards its mission.

OMAC Roundtable # 8 delivered

Continuing with its goal to network, learn, and distill advice for the Internet Society senior management and board, OMAC Roundtable #8 was held on 17 May 2022 and attended by 21 participants. The roundtable received a 100% good to excellent satisfaction score from organization members.

Roundtable #8 – “WTSA-20 and Looking Ahead to WTDC and ITU Plenipotentiary”

Building further on organization members’ interest in learning more about the impacts of Internet policies and regulations on the Internet ecosystem, Roundtable #8 was dedicated to provide organization members with insights about the WTSA-20, WTDC 2022 and ITU Plenipotentiary.

The roundtable discussed critical issues being debated at ITU fora and potential threats to the Internet. It was an opportunity for Internet Society experts to their share learning from the WTSA-20 and provide insights about the WTDC 2022 and the ITU Plenipotentiary. The roundtable also invited chapter members to share their experiences with ITU Fora with organization members.

Participants anticipate significant threats to the Internet will be discussed at major ITU conferences in the future. They would like to collaborate with the Internet Society to mitigate these threats in the most appropriate way.
2022 OMAC Officer Elections Launched

The current co-chairs mandate will end 31st July 2022. The co-chairs and the organization membership team have launched the OMAC officer elections on 25th May 2022 to elect up to three OMAC officers. Election results will be finalized and announced on 28th July 2022. OMAC members have been encouraged to nominate organization member employees or nominate themselves to lead the OMAC for a term of two years.

Key Learnings

- Organization members continue to see the Internet Society as the key provider of key insights on Internet policy and regulation issues
- Organization members are motivated to provide input into the Internet Society’s projects and they are interested in participating in project activities
- Organization members believe the Internet Society plays a key role in defending the Internet multi-stakeholder governance model

Advice to the Internet Society Board and Leadership

The Internet Society with support of its community of organization members, chapters, SIGs, and individual members, has the opportunity to provide key insights and trustworthy information to influence government delegates in making informed decisions about the advancement of the Internet.

The Internet Society has the opportunity to unify its community to form an unified voice to advocate against any major threats against the Internet.