

OMAC REPORT

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November 2022 Board Meeting



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OMAC Activities

2022 OMAC Officer Elections Successfully Conducted

As the previous co-chairs mandate ended on 31st July 2022, the co-chairs and the organization membership team launched the OMAC officer elections on 25th May 2022 to elect up to three OMAC officers. OMAC members nominated 3 individuals and all nominees accepted their nominations. As there were only three OMAC Officer positions to be filled, it was not necessary to vote in this election cycle.

The nominees that have accepted to serve as the next OMAC Officers are:

[Harald A. Summa](#), CEO, DE-CIX - Chairperson

[Helen Harris](#), Manager, Public Policy Amazon- Secretary

[Melchior Aelmans](#), Chief Architect, Juniper - Vice Chairperson

Election & Nomination Committee Volunteers Submitted for 2023 Board of Trustee Elections

The Internet Society requested the OMAC officers to identify one volunteer to serve on the Nominations Committee and one to serve on the Elections Committee for the 2023 board of trustee elections cycle. The OMAC officers submitted 1 volunteer for the nominations committee and 2 volunteers for the elections committee. Confirmed volunteers are:

Nominations Committee:

- Vincent Celindro: Senior Major Account Manager – Juniper Networks, Board Member (current Treasurer) - NANOG

Elections Committee:

- Arnold Nipper, Chief Technology Evangelist (CTE) and Co-Founder of DE-CIX



- or Melchior Aelmans, if Arnold Nipper not selected

Roundtable # 9 – “Pre-Plenipotentiary Conference 2022 (PP-22)”

Continuing with its goal to network, learn, and distill advice for the Internet Society senior management and board, OMAC roundtable #9 was held on 22 September 2022 and attended by 22 participants. The roundtable received a 100 % good to excellent satisfaction score from all participants.

Building further on organization members’ interest in learning more about the impacts of Internet policies and regulations on the Internet ecosystem, roundtable #9 was dedicated to provide organization members with insights about ITU Plenipotentiary 2022. The session brought together organization members to discuss some of the critical issues addressed during the PP-22, identified the potential threats these issues pose to the Internet and looked at how they could impact us all. The roundtable also addressed the Internet Society’s role during the conference and how organization members who also care about the multistakeholder model can get involved in advocating for a secure and trustworthy Internet

Roundtable # 10 – “Post-Plenipotentiary Conference 2022 (PP-22)”

Upon the request from the OMAC to have a follow up session on the outcomes of PP-22, roundtable #10 will be held on 8 November 2022.

Roundtable #10 will focus on providing an overview of the critical issues addressed during PP22 and Internet Society’s position to the threats that have been observed. The session will also discuss upcoming challenge and see how the Internet Society together with organization members can collaborate to mitigate challenges and continue to promote and defend the Internet

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 keen to collaboratively advocate for defending the multi-stakeholder governance model at ITU Fora such as WTDC and Plenipotentiary.
- Organization members can support the Internet Society in providing valuable information about how they work with governments, which can help influencing government decision makers to make the right decisions for open, globally connected, secure, and trustworthy Internet.
- Organization members believe the Internet Society plays a key role in advancing the Internet.

Advice to the Internet Society Board and Leadership

With the current threats to the Internet in mind, the OMAC would advise the Internet Society to expand its outreach and advocacy to a larger audience worldwide in order to get them involved in the defending the Internet for everyone.

Organization members are still keen to receive insights on Internet policy and regulations that will support them in making informed decisions for their organizations and to support the advancement of the Internet. With this mind, the OMAC would suggest to the increase insights and knowledge sharing in a simple, concise, and sharable way to grow engagement and support.

