

Organization Member Advisory Council Report

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OMAC Activities

2026 Board of Trustees Elections Support

Following the Board's request, the OMAC Chairs supported the 2026 Board of Trustees Elections by encouraging organization members to participate. Members were reminded that voting is an important benefit and responsibility of organization membership, helping shape the Internet Society's direction and priorities. This year, 50 organization members voted, resulting in a two-thirds participation rate. On behalf of the OMAC Chairs, congratulations to Sharon Kent on being elected for her first term.

OMAC Roundtable

#31- A Look Ahead: ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (PP-26)

The 31st OMAC Roundtable focused on early preparations and emerging policy considerations for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (PP26), scheduled to take place in Doha, Qatar, from 9 to 27 November 2026. The discussion provided interested organization members with insight into how regional preparatory processes are shaping initial draft proposals and highlighted why early engagement is critical to influencing outcomes at PP26. The Internet Society outlined its approach to monitoring and participating in regional preparatory meetings, identifying priority issues, and coordinating closely with organization members and technical community partners in the leadup to the conference.

Seven (7) organization members attended, along with one (1) additional Board member. The meeting was rated as Excellent or Very Good by 100% of the five (5) organization members and Board members who provided feedback.



Key Learnings

Related to the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference Roundtable discussion:

- Participants are interested in clearer visibility into how country positions form within regional groupings.
- Organization members welcome Internet Society's role in tracking preparatory meeting outcomes and translating them into actionable guidance.
- Several participants indicated interest in deeper briefings and bilateral followups ahead of PP-26.

Advice to the Internet Society Board and Leadership

No advice for the Board at this time.