# ASO AC Meeting

**6 February 2019**  
**12pm UTC**

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## New Action Items From This Meeting

- **NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-1**: GV to publish the 2019 ASO AC Work Plan on the ASO website.
- **NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-2**: GV to publish the Annual Transparency Review 2018 on the ASO website.
- **NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-3**: AS to re-circulate the text relating to *Recommendation 9: The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair* for a seven-day comment period. An e-vote on whether to add the text to the Operating Procedures will be held at the end of the comment period.
- **NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-4**: GV to set up an e-vote for adding the text relating to *Recommendation 9: The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair* to the ASO AC Operating Procedures after a seven-day comment period has concluded.
- **NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-5**: Secretariat to report back to the ASO AC regarding GDPR requirements for the ASO AC website.
• NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-6: CR to find out whether a volunteer who is not the ASO AC Chair or Vice Chair can serve on the 2019 ICANN Multi-stakeholder Ethos Award selection committee and inform the ASO AC as soon as possible.
• NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-7: AS to ask the NRO EC to confirm which members will be attending ICANN 64 and whether it had specific topics to discuss with the ASO AC during the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC session.
• NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-8: AS/GV – AS to send a Doodle poll to the members of the ICANN 64 ASO Public Session Planning Team and GV to set up a Webex call.

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**Agenda**

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7. Annual Transparency Review
8. ICANN 64 Preparation
9. Any Other Business
10. ICANN Board Election Status [ASO AC MEMBERS ONLY]
11. Adjournment

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**0. Welcome**

AS welcomed the attendees.

**1. Roll Call**

GV performed the roll call and declared quorum.

**2. Agenda Review**

No items were added to the agenda.
3. Review of Open Action Items

- **ACTION ITEM 190109-1**: Secretariat to prepare an implementation plan for the proposed ASO AC mailing lists (Recommendation #16) and share with the ASO AC prior to the ICANN 64 Meeting > *OPEN*.

GV noted that he would circulate the draft implementation plan this week.

- **ACTION ITEM 190109-2**: ALL to review and comment upon the 2019 ASO AC Work Plan during the seven-day comment period > *CLOSED*.

AS noted that LL had circulated the 2019 ASO AC Work Plan and thanked the ASO AC for its feedback.

KB proposed the motion to approve the 2019 ASO AC Work Plan as written. HC second the motion. There were no objections. Motion carried.

The ASO AC thanked LL for his work.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-1**: GV to publish the 2019 ASO AC Work Plan on the ASO website.

- **ACTION ITEM 190109-3**: ALL to review and comment upon the Annual Transparency Review as circulated on 12 December > *CLOSED*.

AS noted that the Annual Transparency Review had been circulated to the mailing list and no further comments had been received. He asked the ASO AC whether the document should be published on the ASO website.

KB noted that the document should be published on the ASO website as it would be counterproductive not to do so. Transparency about what the ASO AC does was important and publishing the document would enable the community to give input on areas it feels the ASO AC might not have provided input into.

NN proposed the motion to publish the Annual Transparency Review as written on the ASO website. KB seconded the motion. There were no objections. Motion carried.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-2**: GV to publish the Annual Transparency Review 2018 on the ASO website.

- **ACTION ITEM 190109-4**: AS to re-circulate the text relating to *Recommendation 9: The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair* for further discussion > *CLOSED* [replaced by NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-3].

AS noted that this had unfortunately not been completed. He believed that the ASO AC should have a clear and unanimous decision on whether the current text relating to Chair and Vice Chair term limits should be added to the Operating Procedures. He added that he had spoken to LL regarding his objections.
but had not yet managed to speak with JS regarding his objections. He suggested that the text be sent back to the mailing list for another seven-day comment period and an e-vote subsequently be held.

KB noted that, during the last e-vote, some ASO AC members were not able to vote during the voting phase. He asked whether the voting phase should be extended.

AS suggested that the vote should last seven days and the Secretariat could keep track of who has voted. If all members did not vote within the seven-day period, the voting period could be extended.

KB noted that the voting period should not be open-ended: either the voting period was seven days or ten days or some other number but it should not be kept open artificially.

NN said that she had no objection to having a longer voting period but noted that the ASO AC Operating Procedures state that the voting period should last seven days. She added that the voting period took place during a period when members were being rotated in and out of the AC, which might have affected the number of members voting.

AS noted that the NRO EC did not provide timely information about which RIR Board representatives would stay on the ASO AC and which would not.

BJ noted that there were separate e-vote calls for several different resolutions and that led to some confusion: he himself had missed one of the e-vote calls and had therefore not voted on one of the proposed resolutions.

KB noted that holding a critical e-vote in December might not be the best time to do so because of the issues noted by NN and AS and suggested that the ASO AC be cautious of the timing of e-votes in the future. He added that he had no objections to keeping the vote period at seven days as noted in the Operating Procedures.

AS noted that the ASO AC Operating Procedures section 7.4 notes that “[e]voting must be open for no less than seven days” and suggested that the voting period remain at seven days for now.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-3:** AS to re-circulate the text relating to **Recommendation 9:** The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair for a seven-day comment period. An e-vote on whether to add the text to the Operating Procedures will be held at the end of the comment period.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-4:** GV to set up an e-vote for adding the text relating to **Recommendation 9:** The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair to the ASO AC Operating Procedures after a seven-day comment period has concluded.

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- **ACTION ITEM 190109-5:** GV to inform the NRO EC that the ASO AC had agreed to implement Recommendation #10: The ASO AC should ensure that the duties of the Address Council Chair and the Address Council Vice-Chairs be added to the ASO AC Operating Procedures > CLOSED.

GV noted that he had informed the NRO EC that the ASO AC had agreed to implement Recommendation #10 by adding the duties of the Address Council Chair and the Address Council Vice-Chairs to the ASO AC Operating Procedures. The NRO EC subsequently approved this addition. Alan Barrett, NRO EC Chair, had sent the following note to the ASO AC on 23 January 2019:

“The NRO EC has considered the ASO AC’s proposed amendment to its operating procedures in response to the ASO Review recommendation 10. The NRO EC approves the proposed amendment.”
• **ACTION ITEM 190109-6:** GV to inform the NRO EC that the ASO AC has agreed to implement Recommendation #15: ASO AC meetings should be open to the public, except for discussions regarding the selection of individual for ICANN roles. > **CLOSED.**

GV noted that he had informed the NRO EC that the ASO AC had agreed to implement Recommendation #15 by adding new procedures to the Operating Procedures. He added that the NRO EC had discussed this during their meeting but, due to lack of quorum, the NRO EC could not achieve full consensus in order to approve. The NRO EC will discuss Recommendation #15 again during its February teleconference.

• **ACTION ITEM 190109-7:** Secretariat to remove personal data from legacy Seat 9/10 Candidates’ pages and from former ASO AC Members’ bios on the ASO AC website > **CLOSED.**

SG noted that all personal data contained on legacy Seat 9/10 Candidates’ pages on the ASO website had been removed and replaced with text noting why the original content had been deleted. She added that all comments received on the candidate profiles during the election period had not been deleted and remained online for transparency.

KB noted that there had been discussion regarding GDPR requirements and asked if the review of requirements was still on going.

SG explained that she was still discussing the requirements with the RIPE NCC legal team and would hopefully be able to share more details before ICANN 64.

AS noted that input on this was needed for the ASO AC’s renewed privacy policy, details of which would be shared during the session at ICANN 64.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-5:** Secretariat to report back to the ASO AC regarding GDPR requirements for the ASO AC website.

• **ACTION ITEM 190109-8:** AS to discuss the ASO AC appointment to the 2019 ICANN Multi-stakeholder Ethos Award selection committee and to ask for volunteers on the ASO AC mailing list > **OPEN.**

AS apologized that he had not followed up on this action item. He noted that had asked CR if there was still time to appoint someone to the 2019 ICANN Multi-stakeholder Ethos Award selection committee. CR had confirmed that there was still time.

CR noted that the process had not yet started.

AS asked if anyone would like to volunteer to serve on this committee. He noted that there was a formal procedure for appointing ASO AC members to working groups and committees but it was a lengthy process. He suggested that, as KB (ARIN) had served last year and FY (RIPE) the year before, someone from one of the other regions could volunteer to serve. If more than one person volunteered, a vote could be held.

KB noted that, in 2018, only the Chairs or Vice Chairs of the various SO/ACs served on this committee. He wondered what the reception of the committee might be if a member of the ASO AC, who would be considered to be a general community member, would be appointed.
FY noted that this was also the case when she served on the committee in 2017.

KB suggested that, before selecting someone to serve on the committee, the ASO AC should confirm that there was no restriction on a person who is not the Chair or Vice Chair of the ASO AC serving.

CR noted that he did not believe that there was a specific request that only the Chair or Vice Chairs serve on the committee. He added that the role usually falls to the Chairs but he did not believe that this was a requirement.

FY noted that the SO/ACs make their own decision about who serves: previously the ASO made the decision to have the Chair of the ASO/NRO EC and the Chair of ASO AC serve. She and John Curran, who was the NRO EC Chair in 2017, served.

AS noted that this was also the decision made in 2018. As he could not attend the ICANN meeting, he proposed that ASO AC Vice Chair KB take his place and there was no objection. The call for appointments to the 2019 committee did not indicate that a Chair or Vice Chair should be appointed but the previous call for the 2018 committee was explicit that the Chair should serve.

KB noted that he had no objection to an ASO AC member volunteering to serve on the 2019 ICANN Multi-stakeholder Ethos Award selection committee if CR could confirm that there was no expectation that only a Chair or Vice Chair serves.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-6:** CR to find out whether a volunteer who is not the ASO AC Chair or Vice Chair can serve on the 2019 ICANN Multi-stakeholder Ethos Award selection committee and inform the ASO AC as soon as possible.

- **ACTION ITEM 190109-9:** AS to send a draft plan for ASO AC sessions during ICANN 64 to the mailing list > **CLOSED**.

AS noted that he had circulated the draft plan for the ASO AC sessions during ICANN 64 to the mailing list.

CR noted that the ASO AC’s request had been processed and that the rooms had been blocked.

NN asked for clarification on whether the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC meeting would take place. It was currently proposed for Sunday if required.

AS noted that there was no clarity on whether the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC Meeting would take place. The time slot had been blocked in case it was needed. He added that, so far, only three members of the NRO EC had confirmed that they would be attending ICANN 64. He continued that a session could be held but the ASO AC might ask the NRO EC questions that it would not be able to answer because only three NRO EC members were present.

KB noted that ICANN would publish the meeting agenda on 18 February. If the ASO AC did not have any formal questions to ask the NRO EC and vice versa by this date, the Joint ASO AC - NRO EC session should not be held. He continued that the ASO AC should have specific items to discuss during this session and if there were none then there would be no point in holding the session.

AS noted that the Joint ASO AC - NRO EC session could be marked as private so it wouldn’t need to be published on the agenda and if the session did not take place, the room could be used for an informal meeting instead.

NN noted that the ASO AC should be more proactive in future and that session dates and times should be set several months in advance so people can plan their travel accordingly. ASO AC members need to book
their travel as far in advance as possible to keep costs down and it would be helpful to know whether they should be there for session on Sunday. She understood that the entire NRO EC had not confirmed whether it would be at ICANN 64 but suggested that the ASO AC could decide to hold the meeting with the three NRO EC members who had confirmed their attendance or to simply cancel it.

She continued that the ASO AC sessions at ICANN meetings were discussed several months in advance so that people could plan their travel accordingly. She noted that some ASO AC members who booked their travel early did not count on attending a session on Sunday and so would not be able to attend. She did not want the ASO AC to be in a situation where important discussions were held without some members simply because there was no clarity on whether a session was going to be held or not.

AS noted that session dates and times cannot be planned far in advance because the draft schedule from ICANN is not publicly available until a few weeks before the meeting. He noted that the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC session had been scheduled for the evening so that those arriving on Sunday morning could attend. He continued that the draft schedule for ASO AC sessions was sent to the mailing list on 22 January and no comments had been received. He noted that the ASO AC should try to finalize sessions as soon as possible in future but believed that the ASO AC had been timely with the planning this year.

KB agreed with NN. He explained that, while the ASO AC would not have access to the ICANN Meeting agenda several months in advance, the ICANN Meeting always starts on Saturday. He suggested that, in future, the ASO AC could specify a date and time when ASO AC sessions could start so that all ASO AC members could aim to arrive by that time. He noted that the ASO AC should discuss what an acceptable arrival date might be during the March ASO AC meeting so that improvements could be made for planning the next F2F meeting.

AS agreed: the ASO AC could plan to hold a session on Sunday irrespective of seeing the ICANN schedule.

GV noted that the ASO AC Dinner would be held on Wednesday night.

**NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-7:** AS to ask the NRO EC to confirm which members will be attending ICANN 64 and whether it had specific topics to discuss with the ASO AC during the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC session.

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- **ACTION ITEM 190109-10:** GV to request formal CVs from the three Board Seat 10 candidates to be forwarded to ICANN for Due Diligence > CLOSED.

Discussion on this action item was deferred to Agenda Item 10. *ICANN Board Election Status [ASO AC MEMBERS ONLY]*.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

a) January 2019

HC noted that he had sent some comments on the minutes to the Secretariat, which had been implemented in version 0.2. He flagged another small error that needed to be corrected before publishing.

HC proposed the motion to accept the minutes as written once the small error had been corrected. KB seconded the motion. There were no objections. Motion carried.

AS asked the Secretariat to publish the minutes after the correction had been made.
5. ASO Independent Review Recommendation Status

a) Recommendation #6: The ASO AC should ensure that procedures are developed for Steps 12, 15 and 16 of the GPDP as described in Attachment A of the ASO MoU.

The NRO EC provided a response to the ASO AC regarding Recommendation #6 on 23 January 2018.

b) Recommendation #7: The ASO should consider the adoption of a single, authoritative description of the GPDP for global numbering policies. The same description of the GPDP should appear in Attachment A of the ASO MoU and the relevant section of the Operating Procedures of the ASO AC (Currently Section 6).

The NRO EC provided a response to the ASO AC regarding Recommendation #7 on 23 January 2018.

c) Recommendation #9: The ASO AC should implement term limits for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair.

This was discussed under ACTION ITEM 190109-4.

d) Recommendation #10: The ASO AC should ensure that the duties of the Address Council Chair and the Address Council Vice-Chairs be added to the ASO AC Operating Procedures.

This was discussed under ACTION ITEM 190109-5.

e) Recommendation #16: For its internal communications, and for most matters related to the operations of the ASO, the ASO should favour the use of a publicly archived mailing list. In exceptional circumstances, for issues (e.g. Board appointments) that cannot be discussed in public, a non-publicly archived list should be used.

This was discussed under ACTION ITEM 190109-1.

6. 2019 ASO Work Plan Review

This agenda item was discussed under ACTION ITEM 190109-2.

7 Annual Transparency Review

This agenda item was discussed under ACTION ITEM 190109-3.

8. ICANN 64 Preparation

AS noted that he had met with Kim Davies (KD), VP IANA/PTI, during ICANN63 to discuss whether he would like to give an update during the ASO Public Session. He had no objections and an official request now needs to be sent.
AS continued that an ICANN 64 ASO Public Session Planning Team had been convened and was currently preparing an agenda for the session. In addition to KD, RIR staff could be approached to present.

KB suggested that the Planning Team scheduled a call for the following week so that work could start on this as soon as possible as the agenda was time sensitive.

AS agreed.

NEW ACTION ITEM 190206-8: AS/GV – AS to send a Doodle poll to the members of the ICANN 64 ASO Public Session Planning Team and GV to set up a Webex call.

9. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

10. ICANN Board Election Status [ASO AC MEMBERS ONLY]

AS asked all observers to leave the call. GV confirmed that all observers had disconnected and that only the ASO AC members and the ASO/NRO Secretariat remained on the call.

The ASO AC discussed the upcoming elections for ICANN Board Seat 10.

11. Adjourn

KB proposed the motion to adjourn. BJ seconded the motion. There were no objections. The meeting ended at 14:10 UTC.