Registrar Stakeholder Group (RrSG)

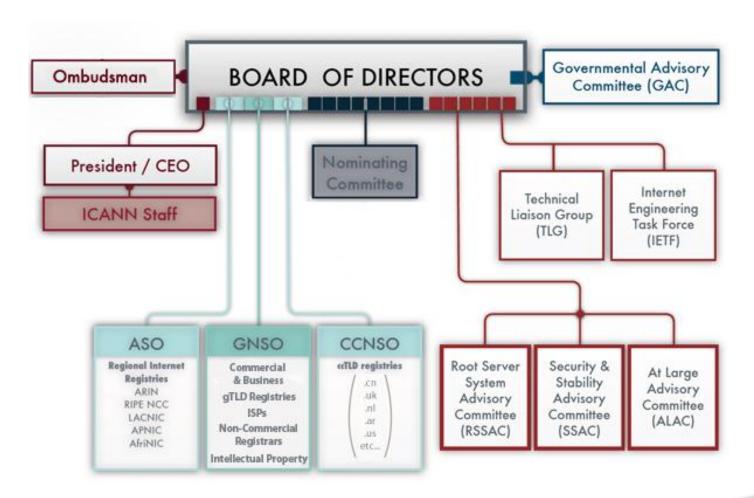


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What is the RrSG





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Representative body for ICANN-accredited registrars in ICANN community and participant in GNSO

Structure

- Members, consisting of accredited registrars who meet requirements and pay nominal dues
- Executive Committee

Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary

GNSO Council Members

Support staff: Secretariat, Advocate

Meet formally 3x/year at ICANN meetings



What the RrSG does

- Collaborate on issues of mutual interest
- Bring registrant voices to ICANN process
- Learn from one another
- Foster innovation and marketplace competition
- Fun happy hours!!!!!!!!!!
- One area of limitation: Strictly prohibited from issues that venture into anti-trust—most often pricing.



Current areas of activity

- Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA)
 Amendments
 - Must take care not to use RAA as policy tool
 - Talking with community about how to collaborate on less invasive ways to handle areas of concern
- New Top Level Domains (TLD's)
 - Vertical Integration, Morality and Public Order, etc.
- Registration "abuse"
 - Use of domain names in abusive ways
 - Abusive use of registration process



Current areas of activity

- Post-Expiry Domain Name Recovery
 - Seeks to regulate post-expiry acquisition methods
- Whois Studies
 - Proxy, misrepresentation, etc.



Future areas of activity

- Continue to engage on issues raised in RAA amendment process
 - Collaborating with Law Enforcement agencies in Washington on Sept. 28
 - Met with GAC, ALAC at Brussels meeting
- Restructuring RrSG
 - Intended to help spread the workload and increase collaboration
 - Opportunity to get involved in issues (standing committees, etc.)
- Security and resiliency
 - Ongoing issue increase in use of DNS for illegal activity, attacks, etc., must have registrar voice included



Join Us

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Summary

- Join the Registrar Stakeholder Group!
- Have a voice!
- Learn from your colleagues!
- Impact change to the Industry and the Internet!



See you soon!

Next meeting: 39th International ICANN Meeting Cartagena, Colombia





