A VIEW FROM THE .AU PERSPECTIVE

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AUDA TERMS OF ENDORSEMENT (APRIL 2018)

The .au domain administrator will undertake the following core functions:

- Ensure stable, secure and reliable operation of the .au domain space
- Respond quickly to matters that compromise DNS security
- Promote principles of competition, fair trading and consumer protection
- Operate as a fully self-funding and not-for-profit organisation
- Actively participate in national and international technical and policy namespace fora to ensure that Australia’s interests are represented and to identify trends and developments relevant to the administration of the .au namespace
- Establish appropriate dispute resolution mechanisms.
AUDA CONSTITUTION

• (B) TO MAINTAIN AND PROMOTE THE OPERATIONAL STABILITY AND UTILITY OF THE .AU ccTLD AND MORE GENERALLY, THE INTERNET’S UNIQUE IDENTIFIER SYSTEM, AND TO ENHANCE THE BENEFITS OF THE INTERNET TO THE WIDER COMMUNITY;

• (F) TO LIAISE WITH NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL BODIES ON ISSUES RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF DOMAIN NAME SYSTEMS;
HOW WE GOT HERE

• **2006 First IGF Held, Athens**

• **11-12 Oct 2012 First au-IGF, Melbourne.**

• **11-12 Oct 2016 Final au-IGF, Melbourne.**

• **10 May 2017 Stakeholder discussion on Internet governance with the Ambassador for Cyber Affairs, Canberra.**

• **Australian Cyber Strategy launched, Sydney.**

• **Nov 2017 Department of Foreign Affairs provides seed funding for an independent secretariat (provided by Australian Continuous Improvement Group) and the chair of a steering committee to kickstart a new Australian IGF initiative.**

• **Dec 2017 Steering Committee 1.0 created.**

• **19 Jul 2018 Australian Internet Community Forum, Canberra.**
HOW WE GOT HERE (PART 2)

• **19 Jul 2018 Australian Internet Community Forum, Canberra.**
• **Jul 2018 Steering Committee 2.0 created.**
• **Due to completion of seed funding, Secretariat functions are transferred to Australian Department of Communications and the Arts.**
• **28 Oct 2019 NetThing, Sydney.**
  • Around 170 participants and speakers attend.
NETTHING – WHAT PARTICIPANTS LIKED

• The panel topics and the great questions from the audience
• Excellent Security Panel
• Great auditorium
• Global, regional and local reach
• Throw-around microphone
NETTHING – WHAT WE CAN DO IN FUTURE

- **Tap students and young people (a must)**
- **Manage the diversity early (eg: not enough private sector and young people this year)**
- **Make sure we get a location where we can stick things on the walls**
- **More roving microphones**
- **Speaker names in front of speakers**
- **Consider an “after-event”**
- **Less ‘expert talking heads at the front’ talking to the audience, and more ‘expert heads answering Q&A from the crowd’ - each session encouraging more audience participation/initiation**
- **More (sponsored!) coffee carts - as well as caffeine, informal discussions and introductions/interactions in the coffee- queues and breaks generate value**
- **Search for venues with more ‘round-table rooms’ less ‘lecture halls’**
THE EMOTIONAL JOURNEY OF CREATING ANYTHING GREAT

This is one of the things I am most proud of

Family-Humour

Wow

Hey!

Hmm...

Quick, let’s call it a day and say we learned something

Ok but it still sucks

Belief/Persistence
Family-Humour

This is harder than I thought

This will be fun

This is going to be a lot of work

This sucks I have no idea what I’m doing

Dark swamp of despair

#%$@!!!!!!!!!!

THE EMOTIONAL JOURNEY IS INEVITABLE AND PERHAPS NECESSARY
DONE IS BETTER THAN PERFECT