

.au Domain Administration Limited
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Minutes of meeting of the
Technical Advisory Standing Committee

Date/Time: Tuesday, 25 February 2020
1.00pm AEST

Present: Scott Wilkie (chair), Alexey Chernyak, Geoff Huston AM, Zach de Koning, Bruce Tonkin (auDA), Clayton Ford (auDA), Kat Vrkic (auDA)

Apologies: John Graham, Bec Martin

Absent: Sae Ra Germaine, David Keegel, Jonathan Gleeson

1. Scott Wilkie opened the meeting at 1.06pm.

Craig Marchant submitted his resignation letter and has moved onto another role outside of IT. TASC sent their best wishes on his future endeavours.

Kat Vrkic and Clayton Ford from auDA introduced themselves as support for TASC.

Minutes of the TASC meeting of 13 August 2019 were approved.

2. Zach de Koning declared that he was employed by a registrar. There were no other declarations of interest.
3. Tony Smales of Forticode (<https://www.forticode.com/about-us/>) had a conference to attend this week. His invitation is left open to attend a future TASC meeting.
4. Geoff Huston AM raised the issue of registry lock practices. Bruce advised there is a lock facility and has been available for more than five years, not widely used, mainly used by large corporates. Geoff and Bruce to work together on a proposal to consider a delay between when a change is made to the name server (NS) information on a domain name, and when it is deployed to the DNS. Bruce noted that a similar facility exists today for the registrar transfers command (See clause 4.5 of <https://www.ada.org.au/policies/index-of-published-policies/2013/2013-02/>)
5. Minimum security standards for registrars was discussed last meeting. Bruce advised that the new agreements would go to the Board for approval in April 2020.
6. Dion Devow has been working with the Australian Strategic Projects Institute (ASPI). There was an interest in the possibility for .au to create domains for indigenous culture in their local language to educate school children. There has been a 12-month delay in direct registration and

reserves names in .au for future second level name spaces will have to be revisited once the Board has made its decision on direct registration.

7. Other business

TASC congratulated Geoff Huston AM for being awarded a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for “significant service to science, and through pioneering roles with the internet”, associated with his work in developing AARNet and the internet in Australia.

Alexey Chernyak asked about the process for exchanging information with IANA and Bruce Tonkin described the process. Geoff Huston noted that processes for exchanging information with IANA were under review by ICANN.

Committee members were advised to put emails on safe list to avoid any future emails and meeting invites being sent to the junk folder.

8. The next meeting will be held in late June or July 2020, TBC.

9. The meeting was closed at 1.53pm

Action items

	Item	Name
1.	Invite Tony Smales to a future meeting	SW
2.	Registry lock practices – content for consideration in next meeting	GH/BT
3.	Submit any security issues to Bruce Tonkin	ALL
4.	Provide update for next meeting - reserved names in .au	BT
5.	DNSSEC keys to discuss next meeting	AC/BT
6.	Confirm travel policy for committee members	BT
7.	Confirm next meeting time	SW