So What's New at ICANN?

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Reminder: What does ICANN do?

Coordinates policies relating to the unique assignment of:

- Internet Domain Names
- Numerical IP Addresses
- Protocol Port and Parameter Numbers

Coordinates the DNS Root Server System

 through Root Server System Advisory Committee

What are the IANA functions?

- Protocol parameter assignments
 - Under March 1, 2000 IETF/IAB/ICANNMOU
- IP Address Allocations
- DNS root zone file management

IANA Workload - Protocols

(Yr 2000)	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
User Ports	35	6	43	46	35	40
Sys Ports	3	0	2	0	0	0
Prot #s	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIME	3	7	2	9	7	1
MIBs	0	14	6	3	2	5
Pr Ent #s	233	242	324	349	363	263
Other	2	22	16	13	16	6

IANA Workload - Addresses

(Yr 2000)	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Multicast	6	0	0	0	0	0
Cable	2 blk	1blk	0	0	1 blk	2 blk
AS #s	0	1blk	0	0	0	1 blk
RIR Alloc	2 /8	0	0	0	0	1 /8

IANA Processing Times

(in working days)

	Current Times (approx)	Goals
Ports (user & sys)	10-15 days*	10 days
Protocol #s	10-15 days*	10 days
MIME	3 days+expert	2 days+expert
MIBs	3 days	2 days
Pr Ent #s	1-2 days	2 days
Multicast	10-15 days*	10 days

IANA Improvements

- Response Time
- Improved application templates
- Actions for approved documents
 (assignments and new registry set-up)

Continued IANA Improvements

- Separate special function e-mail accounts
- Mail handling automation
- FAQs
- Tracking system
- Website Re-Organization

New Directors at ICANN

At Large Directors:

- Karl Auerbach (USA)
- Ivan Moura Campos (Brazil)
- Frank Fitzsimmons (USA)
- Masanobu Katoh (Japan)
- Hans Kraaijenbrink (Netherlands)
- Andy Mueller-Maguhn (Germany)
- Jun Murai (Japan)
- Nii Quaynor (Ghana)
- Linda S. Wilson (USA)

ASO Directors:

- Rob Blokzijl (Netherlands)
- Ken Fockler (Canada)
- Sang-Hyon Kyong (South Korea)

DNSO Directors:

- Amadeu Abril i Abril (Spain)
- Jonathan Cohen (Canada)
- Alejandro Pisanty (Mexico)

PSO Directors:

- Helmut Schink (Germany)
- Vint Cerf (USA) Chairman
- Phil Davidson (U.K.)

New Staff

- New President/CEO: Dr. Stuart Lynn
- New technical manager: John Crain
- New ccTLD liaison: Herbert Vitzthum
- New registrar person: Ellen Sondheim

Policy Objectives for Year 2001

Names

- Successful introduction of New Top-Level Domains
- Improve functioning of DNSO
- Internationalized DNS
 - Advocate IETF's IDN-WG process

Addresses

- Support ASO, LACNIC & AFRINIC
- Improve IANA performance

ICANN Structure

- Complete agreements with ccTLDs, RIRs, Root server operators
- At Large Membership Study

New Steps in Transition from USG

- January 2001
 - Begin transfer of InterNIC functions from Verisign/NSI to ICANN
- ???, 2001
 - Implementation of some root server architecture improvements (i.e., distribution master), as developed by Root Server System Advisory Committee

New Top-Level Domains

- First group chosen in November 2000
 - Global Open: <.info>, <.biz>
 - Individuals: <.name>, <.pro>
 - Specialized: <.museum>, <.aero>, <.coop>
- Proof of Concept Launch with caution, observe carefully, learn from experience
- If successful, there will be future rounds
- Biggest challenge: Launch phase
 - Intellectual Property & Cybersquatting fears
 - Opening day rush & fairness to everyone
- Beware of pre-registration offers!!!

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