Board Resolution 2022.05.01.05
Scorecard: SSR2 Pending Recommendations - Board Action 1 May 2022
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Rec #	SSR2 recommendation	SSR2 Directed Recommendation to	Board Action
	Recommendations the Board approves		
5.4	ICANN org should reach out to the community and beyond with clear reports demonstrating what ICANN org is doing and achieving in the security space. These reports would be most beneficial if they provided information describing how ICANN org follows best practices and mature, continually-improving processes to manage risk, security, and vulnerabilities. **SSR2 designated priority:** High **SSR2 designated owner:** ICANN org	ICANN org	The Board approves Recommendation 5.4, subject to prioritization, risk assessment and mitigation, costing and implementation considerations. The Board previously noted that clarification was needed on issues such as granularity of reporting, the scope of persons receiving reports, and the cadence of the reporting envisioned by the SSR2. The clarifications received from the Implementation Shepherds confirmed that ICANN org should seek the disclosure of additional details within audit reports, with an annual reporting cadence. The Board therefore approves this recommendation with a direction to the ICANN President and CEO to engage in discussion with any firm producing an audit for ICANN to implement appropriate additional disclosures within the publicly available reports.
Rec #	SSR2 recommendation	Directed To:	Board action
	Recommendations the Board Rejects		
19.1	ICANN org should complete the development of a suite for DNS resolver behavior testing. **SSR2 designated priority:** Low **SSR2 designated owner:** ICANN org	ICANN org	The Board rejects Recommendations 19.1 and 19.2 Upon first inspection, ICANN org determined that this recommendation was feasible to implement, thus it was put into the "Pending, likely to be approved" category. However, upon receipt of clarification of the scope of recommendation 19.1 to extend resources to maintain the existing ICANN testbed in perpetuity for public use, and broadening ICANN's testbed as recommended in 19.2, the implementation of functional testing of different configurations and software versions goes beyond ICANN's remit. The Board is in alignment with ICANN org's assessment that ICANN does not have a role in setting standards for DNS resolvers, and therefore rejects these recommendations that require ICANN to commit resources to continue or enhance existing resolver testbeds for public use. Additionally, the Board notes that even though these recommendations are being rejected, ICANN org does and will continue to build and use resolver testbeds, when appropriate to further ICANN's mission, and continue to assess aspects of DNS resolver behavior as it applies to ICANN org's remit.
19.2	ICANN org should ensure that the capability to continue to perform functional testing of different configurations and software versions is implemented and maintained. **SSR2 designated priority:** Low **SSR2 designated owner:** ICANN org		