DotAsia Special Board Meeting Minutes

Date(s) & Time: May 18, 2022 (Wednesday) 12:03 – 13:02 (UTC+8)

Location: Zoom Meeting Room: https://aji.asia/zoomboard

Attendees:
- Santanu ACHARYA ¹a
- Satish BABU
- Andi BUDIMANSYAH ²b
- Arthur CHANG
- Edmon CHUNG
- Joel DISINI
- Murad IBRAGIMOV
- Alireza SALEH
- Ellen STRICKLAND
- Leonid TODOROV
- Freda CHEUNG (DotAsia Team)

Apologies:
- Kashif ADEEL

¹a Joined meeting during Discussion Item 3.7.
²b Joined meeting during Discussion Item 2.1.

No. | Action Items: | Owner | Remarks |
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2020.01.A01 | Follow up with MONIC and CTT on obtaining clarification and voting representative for .MO. | DotAsia Team | More information to be provided after completion of re-tendering process. |
2022.02.A02 | Provide updates on hybrid APrIGF in Sep 2022 and options for F2F Board Meeting to the Board. | Edmon CHUNG | To be updated as APrIGF venue arrangements are updated. |
2022.03.A02 | Schedule a Special Board Meeting once the confirmation received from HSBC. | Board Sec | Completed. |
2022.05.A01 | Bring the discussion of IDN Label Generation Ruleset in Tibetan script to the BCC. | Edmon CHUNG | |

No. | Resolutions / Decisions: |
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2022.05.001 | Board Meeting Minutes (Mar 30, 2022) |
- Approval of Board Meeting minutes of Mar 30, 2022.
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| 2022.05.002 | SCP Application from .TH  
- Approval of SCP Application from .TH  
  - Circulation to BFC & AC for comments completed  
  - BCC discussed and recommended to support the application |
| 2022.05.003 | Board Committee Chairs  
- Appointment of:  
  - BGC Chair: Murad IBRAGIMOV  
  - BFC Chair: Kashif ADEEL  
- Confirmation to continue as:  
  - BCC Chair: Ellen STRICKLAND  
- Thank you to Satish and Santanu for their tenure as BGC and BFC Chair respectively |

Discussions:

1. Roll Call
   1.1. With no objection from Board Members present, Satish BABU continued to chair the Board Meeting on May 18, 2022 until a new Chair is elected.
   1.2. Roll call. Those present for all or part of the meeting are included in the Attendees section.

2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (Mar 30, 2022)
   2.1. Latest version of Draft 1 was presented and action items were briefed to the Board.
   2.2. The Mar 30, 2022 Board Meeting minutes were approved. (2022.05.001)
   2.3. A late objection was raised from Joel and noted.

3. Board Chair Election
   3.1. It was noted that there were robust discussions during the last Board meeting on whether special handling of elected individuals with nationalities from sanctioned countries was needed.
   3.2. It was further noted that HSBC has now confirmed that all elected individuals from the Board Elections are cleared and acceptable as official Board Directors for their compliance requirements. It was also noted that the banking situation remains with ICBC for which DotAsia maintains its office mortgage with. DotAsia team will work further with ICBC taking the experience with HSBC as a reference. Nevertheless, all members of the Board should be considered to be able to participate directly in the Board Chair election.
3.3. The Board expressed appreciation to Arthur for his proactive engagement with HSBC, allowing DotAsia to move forward with the banking issue.

3.4. Nomination procedures were briefed to the Board. Edmon administered the Board Chair Elections and subsequent Q&A with the candidates.

3.5. Nomination of Leonid TODOROV was received from Murad IBRAGIMOV, seconded by Andi BUDIMANSYAH. Nomination was accepted by Leonid.

3.6. Self-nomination was received from Satish BABU, seconded by Ellen STRICKLAND. Nomination was accepted by Satish.

3.7. Brief statements from Satish and Leonid were provided followed by Q&A by the candidates with other Board members.

3.8. Question was raised on whether it is acceptable to raise questions to both candidates via email after this meeting for further consideration. It was noted that Board Members are welcome to raise questions via email in between the end of this meeting and the voting process at the upcoming monthly Board Meeting scheduled on May 25, 2022.

3.9. A follow up concern was raised that while producing the legal advisory, the counselors did not take into account Alireza’s namesakes, which might have been a cause for a long-lasting confusion. It was clarified that this concept and information is only raised for the first time to the DotAsia Board at this meeting. No information regarding such matter was raised by HSBC nor brought to the attention of the Board and therefore no such information was considered by the Board or legal counsels.

4. Approval of SCP Application from .TH

4.1. Background of SCP application from .TH was briefed to the Board for consideration. It was noted that the application was received in Feb and also presented to the Board and Board Committees at previous meetings.

4.2. It was highlighted that additional information has been received from the applicant and included in the materials with the application to address the issues raised by the BFC.

4.3. It was reported that BFC identified certain areas that perhaps should be included as requirements for future applications. Further discussion on updating the SCP Process to be continued at the BCC.

4.4. The Board discussed and agreed with no objections to approve the SCP application from .TH. (2022.05.002)

5. Confirmation of Board Committees Chairs

5.1. Board Committees discussed and proposed to confirm the Committee Chairs as follows:

- BGC Chair: Murad IBRAGIMOV
- BFC Chair: Kashif ADEEL
- BCC Chair: Ellen STRICKLAND

5.2. Resolved unanimously. (2022.05.003)
6. **IDN Policies for Tibetan Script**

6.1. The background of the IDN policies for the Tibetan script, discussed at the BCC was briefed to the Board for reference.

6.2. It was commented that this is a very good contribution and valuable work from DotAsia with its unique position and expertise in IDN to provide such services.

6.3. Question was raised on how the Tibetan community will be engaged, and concern was raised on whether relevant government and authorities are aware and supportive. It was explained that DotAsia has begun preliminary discussions with relevant authorities and will work closely with relevant communities in the effort.

6.4. It was suggested and agreed to further discuss the matter at the BCC.

(2022.05.A01)