



ICANN Board Conflict of Interest Committee

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Conflict of Interest Committee Members

- Joichi Ito
- Rajasekhar Ramaraj
- David Wodelet
- Demi Getschko (chair)

The Committee of the Board on Conflicts of Interest is charged with implementing ICANN's Conflicts of Interest Policy. After public notice and comment, the Board adopted the Conflicts of Interest Policy on March 4, 1999.

Charter

The ICANN Bylaws require that ICANN have a conflicts of interest policy applicable to the Board of Directors. The basic elements of that policy are set forth in the Bylaws and have been elaborated in the Conflict of Interest Policy. The Bylaws provision follows:

... “Each Director shall be responsible for disclosing to the Corporation any matter that could reasonably be considered to make such Director an 'interested director' within the meaning of Section 5233 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law ("CNPBCL"). In addition, each Director shall disclose to the Corporation any relationship or other factor that could reasonably be considered to cause the Director to be considered to be an 'interested person' within the meaning of Section 5227 of the CNPBCL” ...



Progress since Sao Paulo Meeting

- New questionnaires for COI disclosure, effective since last ICANN meeting (São Paulo)
- All the directors sent their correspondent informations to the committee
- Two new board members began their term in São Paulo meeting and both of them sent their completed COI form:
 - Steve Goldstein
 - Rajasekhar Ramaraj

Next Steps

- Work on improving the questionnaires, aiming to help a more easy identification of possible conflicts
- To keep up-to-date the COI questionnaires
- Looking forward to keeping Board informed on any status changes

