2011 AGM Director Nominations
Candidate Statements

Kevin Karp (Supply)

I have been a reseller and manager of .au domain names for over 15 years. I have promoted the development of the Australian Internet and domain name industries through my involvement with the Internet Society of Australia (Director and Secretary for 6 years), through the commercial operations of my own firm (PPS Internet) and with .edu.au, through our recent acquisition of Studentnet.

With the emergence of search and social networking as a means of accessing content, .au now faces many new challenges and opportunities. My experience and objective analytical skills will maximise those opportunities.

George Pongas (Supply)

Currently I hold the position as General Manager Client Services at AusRegistry. I have decided to stand for a second term as an auDA Board Director (Supply Class), believing that my 8 years industry experience and current position at the Registry Operator, will continue to allow me to provide a valuable contribution to the board and ultimately the .au industry.

I have a commercial sensibility, a strong sense of fairness, and extensive experience both internationally and domestically, and these attributes will continue to assist me positively in my role as an auDA Board Director.

Kartic Srinivasan (Supply)

I would like to bring my experience working in Domain name Community to:

- Promote .au domain space by maintaining competition & growth of the namespace
- Preserve & improve the trust of the .au domain space
- Increase the stability of the .au
- DNS and registry infrastructure
- Co-ordinate with the supply side to ensure they are aware of major Board agenda items and key decisions displayed on auDA website
- Ensure appropriate transparency on major items on expenditure to ensure public return.

Experience:

- General Manager – Operations – GlobalPartnerSolutions
- Member of the Industry Competition Panel (2007)

Lisa Jarrett (Demand)

Lisa Jarrett is a Senior Associate at Kelly & Co. Lawyers in Adelaide, having previously worked in IP/IT at Blake Dawson, Melbourne and Telstra. Lisa practices in corporate and commercial law, focussing on intellectual property and technology law.

Lisa was appointed to the 2010 Names Policy Panel and regularly advises a range of clients on domain name issues, including brand protection. Lisa has a Masters of Commercial Law and is a registered trade mark attorney.

Lisa understands the legal implications associated with domain name policy and procedures and can offer the board a South Australian perspective on domain name matters.

Simon Johnson (Demand)

As an independent candidate, I'm standing to represent auDA Members and the general public. I have no association with ICANN, commercial interests in registrars, or memberships to related associations. As such, I'll work in the public interest, towards the following outcomes:

- Reduce regulation and grow the .au marketplace
- Decrease costs and red-tape for consumers and small business
- Ensure auDA funds are appropriately spent on transparent, demonstrable outcomes

Bio: Co-founded one of Australia's first ISP's and Internet Security companies; held Senior Management roles in Fraud and Risk. 2010/11 auDA Names Policy Panel. Co-Founder DomainerIncome.com - More info: www.SimonJohnson.co

Erhan Karabardak (Demand)

Erhan Karabardak has been an active participant in the domain name industry for over a decade. Erhan is well known as a leading technology and domain lawyer with significant experience, advising clients in all aspects of domain name law including litigation.

Erhan has served on both the 2004 and 2010 Names Policy Panels, in addition to having made numerous submissions to other auDA Policy Panels.

Erhan brings significant experience and understanding of the .au domain name space and its impact on small business, which will enable him to bring a fresh and positive approach to the auDA Board.

Paul Levins (Demand)

I have a deep interest and experience in domain name issues and governance. From 2006-2010, I was Executive Officer and VP at ICANN. I set up ICANN's Washington DC office and was a key architect and author of the Affirmation of Commitments – a globally significant accountability and transparency agreement. I was ICANN's spokesperson on IPv6, new gTLDs, Internet Governance. I also have an extensive understanding of government having been a Chief of Staff in Federal and State ministries and understand business having been Operations and Corporate Affairs Manager in major international infrastructure companies.

Joshua Rowe (Demand)

Domain names are essential parts of the Internet's functionality. Australian domain names provide the platform for Australia's online economy; now worth 3.6% of Australian GDP. Josh Rowe is a current director of auDA seeking re-election. Josh has over 19 years of experience with the Internet. Josh is an active participant in the debate of Australian and global domain name governance, engaged through a variety of online and offline forums. Josh participated in the 2010 Names Policy Review Panel. Josh is a staunch consumer advocate and has completed research on the usability of domain names; www.domainusability.com. Detailed candidate statement here: www.josh.com.au

Rosemary Sinclair (Demand)

I am pleased to stand for re-election to the Board of auDA. The expertise I am keen to contribute stems from my experience in high-level strategy and policy development with government and private sector organisations in Australia and internationally through ICANN, OECD and APECTEL. At present I am Chairing a Committee for the Federal Government looking at regional telecommunications services and the emerging digital economy. The role auDA will play in this transformation will increase with the introduction of new gTLDs and I am keen to continue to assist in these exciting developments.