

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2010

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

This year, ISOC-AU held a reception for iiNet CEO Michael Malone, on the night the Federal Court judgment was handed in the copyright case of AFACTC vs iiNET. Directors also hosted a dinner for Sebastien Bachollet of ISOC-France.

DIRECTORS' ACTIVITIES

The Directors held two face-to-face strategy meetings this year – the first in May and the second in September. The meetings reviewed progress against Strategic Plan Goals, including ISOC-AU relationships both internationally (with ISOC and ISOC Chapters particularly) and nationally, input into relevant national and international policy debates, increasing awareness of ISOC-AU and strengthening our funding base. Progress on achieving the goals is reviewed at each Board meeting.

Directors have attended numerous meetings during the year both internationally and nationally. Internationally, Directors participated in the ICANN meetings in Seoul, Nairobi and Brussels, and the IGF meeting in Egypt. The Executive Director attended the ISOC Chapters meeting and INET conference in Hong Kong. An ISOC Director also attended the PacINET conference in Papua New Guinea.

Nationally, Directors and the Executive Director attended meetings convened by the Consumer Consultative Forum of the Australian Media and Communications Authority (ACMA), the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN) board, the National ICT Industry Alliance, and the Office of the Privacy Commissioner. The Executive Director and another Director also gave evidence to the House of Representatives Committee on Cyber Security and the President gave evidence to the Senate Select Committee on the NBN.

ISOC-AU has also become involved in aspects of e-security, participating in the Government's e-security awareness week planning and its 'Over the Horizon' event. ISOC-AU is also a member of the Safer Internet Group – with members including Google, Yahoo, Inspire, ALIA and others, to both address the Government's proposed mandatory ISP filtering policy and other aspects of cyber security. ISOC-AU is also a member of the working group developing the IIA e-security code of practice.

DBCDE FUNDED ACTIVITIES

ISOC-AU received DBCDE funding under the Telecommunications Consumer Representation Grants program. Under that funding, ISOC-AU, jointly with ATUG- held meetings in Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth on

NBN Update Forums – specifically on the draft Telecommunications Amendment (Competition and Consumer Protection) Bill. The Executive Director was also able to meet with the South Australian Telecommunications Consumer Group and the West Australian Internet Association.

SUBMISSIONS

ISOC-AU made a number of submissions this year, as follows;

- Submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications: Inquiry into Cybercrime
- Submission to the DBCDE Inquiry: National Broadband Network Company: Legislation and Access Regime
- Submission to auDA Inquiry into Domain Name Renewal, Expiry and Deletion Policy
- Submission to the Senate Standing Committee on the Environment, Communications and the Arts: Inquiry into the *Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2009*
- Submission on the IIA's Draft E-Security Code
- Submission on Mandatory Internet Service Provider (ISP) Filtering Measures to Increase Accountability and Transparency for Refused Classification Material
- Submission to the National Broadband Network Company (NBN Co) Consultation Paper
- Submission to the Senate Select Committee on the National Broadband Network – ISOC-AU position on the NBN
- Submission to the auDA Discussion Paper on New 2LDs
- Submission to the Senate Select Committee on the NBN Implementation Study
- Submission to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority on ICT education.

SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

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ADMINISTRATION

The Directors would like to formally record their gratitude for the work of the Honorary President Tony Hill, the Honorary Vice President Narelle Clark, the Honorary Secretary Kevin Karp and the Honorary Treasurer Cheryl Langdon-Orr.