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ISOC-AU ANNOUNCES NEW LEADERSHIP

The Internet Society of Australia is pleased to announce new leadership for 2012.

At the first meeting of the newly elected board for 2012 the following positions were declared elected:

President – Narelle Clark
Vice President – George Fong
Secretary – Cheryl Langdon-Orr
Treasurer – Paul Brooks

“I’m excited to be taking on this position as this is an extraordinary time in the development of the Internet within Australia,” Ms Clark said today. “With the roll out of the NBN, restructuring of the Internet industry, comprehensive adoption of smartphones, and more and more digital services, Australians need a strong and active voice in Internet policy and development more than ever before.”

Ms Clark foreshadowed an increasing role for the Society in promoting the interests of Internet users in the light of the ever multiplying number of complaints about telecommunications service providers. “We cannot afford to migrate the problems of existing services to the new national broadband network. Some things have got to improve”, she said. “For starters, we need to see performance reporting on the network that consumers can make sense of and readily get access to. Consumers must get the facts on this network.”

With qualifications in engineering, science and management, Ms Clark has an extensive record in the Internet and telecommunications industry within Australia and internationally, most recently leading Australia's contribution to World IPv6 Day, as well as holding a seat on the global Internet Society's Board of Trustees.

George Fong, a lawyer and Internet pioneer from regional Victoria was also elected Vice President.

The Board of ISOC-AU thanked the outgoing President, Tony Hill, for his sterling service over the 10-year period.

The Board also expressed its sincere appreciation to Holly Raiche for the considerable efforts and achievements during her period in the Executive Director position.

About the Internet Society

The Internet Society is the world's trusted independent source of leadership for Internet policy, technology standards and future development. Based on its principled vision and

substantial technological foundation, the Internet Society works with its members and Chapters around the world to promote the continued evolution and growth of the open Internet through dialogue among companies, governments, and other organizations around the world. The Internet Society is also the organisational home for the pre-eminent standards organisation the IETF. See www.internetsociety.org and www.ietf.org

The Australian Chapter of the Internet Society is ISOC-AU, a non-profit society founded in 1996, to promote Internet development in Australia for the whole community and is a peak body organisation, representing the interests of Internet users in Australia. See www.isoc-au.org.au

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