



Internet Society Norway Chapter

ISOC Norway Revised Annual Report 2023

This annual report covers the period from March 22 2023 to March 13 2024.

Introduction

The Norway Chapter of the Internet Society (“ISOC Norge”) was formally reinstated in 2013.

The bylaws were approved by the Internet Society on May 8, 2013. The bylaws was modified and approved at the GA on March 26, 2020

NORWAY CHAPTER OF THE INTERNET SOCIETY (ISOC NORGE) is registered in The Brønnøysund Register Centre with registration number [912 347 664](#)

Board Members in this period

The following Board members were elected at the Annual Meeting, March 2 2022 (in alphabetic order):

- Tom Fredrik Blenning (2023-2025)
- Steinar Grøtterød (2022-2024)
- Thilina Pathirana (2022-2024)
- Joar R. Rasmussen (2022-2024)
- Espen Ramton (2023-2025)

Steinar Grøtterød has served as Chair and Treasurer for the Chapter.

Chapter Advisory Council Representative: Thilina Pathirana

NORPOL representative: Espen Ramton

EURALO representative: Steinar Grøtterød

Chapter Voting Delegate: Thilina Pathirana

Sosial Media ansvarlig: Thilina Pathirana

Media kontakt: Tom Fredrik Blenning

Members of Internet Society Norway

Number of members of ISOC Norway

Mar 2024: 164

Feb 2023: 158

Feb 2022: 147

Feb 2021: 142

Dec 2019: 133

Dec 2018: 177

Mar 2017: 150

Mar 2016: 139

Aug 2015: 116

There is no personal membership fee.

Board Meetings in this Period

The Board meetings are scheduled for once a month, with the exceptions of July and August.

The Board meetings are organized by remote participation (Zoom). Minutes from the board meetings can be found on [ISOC.no](https://www.isoc.no).

ISOC Norway finally managed to have a physical board meeting on Dec 13, 2023.

Total number of board meetings for this period: 10.

Chapter Activities, this period

Member meetings

ISOC Norway has organized 3 meetings during this period. The meetings were open for all.

02.03.2023: Evening workshop: ICANN and current challenges on the internet.

In cooperation with The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), ISOC Norway, Norsk Forening for Jus og EDB (nfje.no) and iQ Global (iq.global).

22.04.2023: Can Open Source communities survive the coming EU laws?

Fireside chat with Simon Phipps (Director of EU Policy at OSI) where we explore the upcoming cyber security regulations from EU, and discuss possible consequences and remedies for businesses and the Open Source communities they depend on.

The logo consists of the letters 'STG' in a stylized, handwritten font. The 'S' and 'T' are connected, and the 'G' is separate. The letters are black and have a slightly irregular, hand-drawn appearance.

26.09.2023: A session discussing Cryptography.

Cooperation between ICANN and ISOC Norway.

Political work

- Continuous lobbying against DNS-blocking
- Working to block the CSAR¹ proposal, partially in conjunction with ISOC Europe.

ISOC works on this due to these both threatening the Internet infrastructure.

Public consultations and public letters submitted by ISOC Norway:

- ISOC Norway attended a Public hearing on DNS Blocking and submitted their input to the hearing.²
- ISOC Norway responded to a hearing given by NORID - the top level administrator for .NO, on removing restrictions for registering category sub domains³.

EURALO

Steinar Grøtterød is selected as board member for EURALO from 2023 AGM to 2025 AGM⁴.

At-Large Policy Development⁵

- ISOC Norway member Steinar Grøtterød represents At-Large in the [GNSO Transfer Policy Review PDP Working Group](#)
- ISOC Norway Board member Steinar Grøtterød is participating in EURALO and At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG).
- Steinar Grøtterød attended the ICANN77 and ICANN78, representing At-Large.
- Espen Ramton and Steinar Grøtterød attended the Nordic Domain Days in May 2023.
- There have been no scheduled NORPOL meetings in this period.

Networking focus

- ISOC Norway has started exploring what it takes to create an accredited Norwegian Internet Governance forum.

¹ Child Sexual Abuse Regulation, EU proposal

² <https://isoc.no/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/ISOC-Norge-horingsinnspill-2024-01-15.pdf>

³ https://isoc.no/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/HORINGSSVAR_NORID_kategoridomener.pdf

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<https://community.icann.org/display/EURALO/EURALO+ALAC+Representatives%2C+Board+Members+and+Officers>

⁵ At-Large is a stakeholder in policy development worldwide. This includes, but is not limit to ICANN policy development and EURALO.

Media focus

ISOC Norway maintains a homepage for the chapter; <https://isoc.no>. [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and a [Meetup.com](#) group are used to communicate with the public. We have also established a presence on [Mastodon](#).

In addition, ISOC Norway operates a Telegram "[Policy channel](#)".

Financial health

All ISOC Norway's recurring costs are fully funded by grant money from ISOC. Other than payments due, ISOC Norway has no liabilities and a small financial fund big enough to wind down all recurring costs.

Having more income would enable us to do more, but the board can see no foreseeable change in the financial situation which can threaten ISOC Norway as an ongoing concern.



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Steinar Grøtterød

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Chair ISOC Norway

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