

# **The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers**

## **A Short Overview**

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# What ICANN Does Not Do

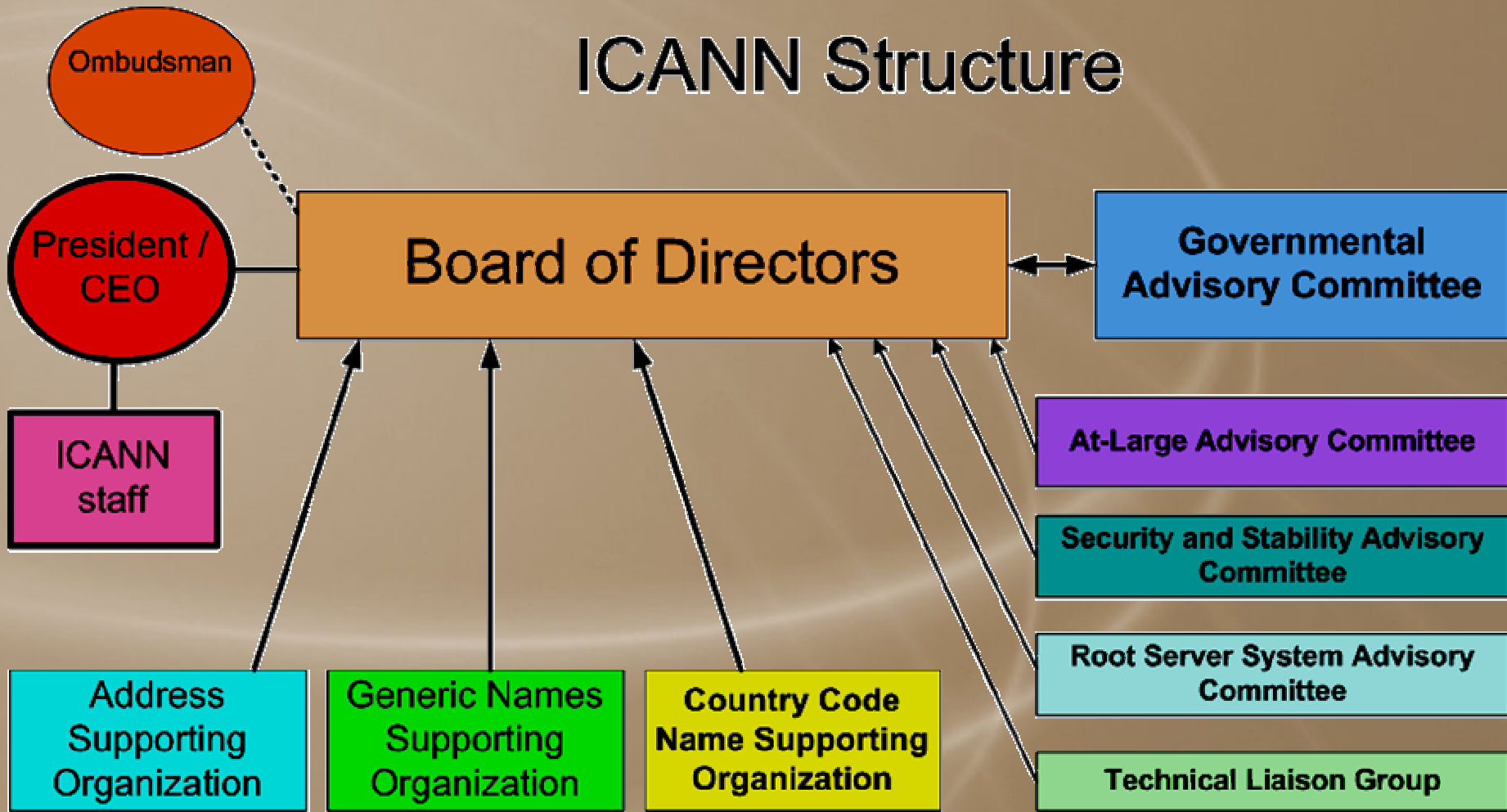
- Financial transactions
- Data Privacy
- Internet Content
  - Pornography; hate speech
  - Copyright violations
  - Deceptive business practices / consumer protection
- Definition of technical standards
- Internet gambling
- Spam

# What ICANN Does Do:

Coordinate the Internet's systems of unique identifiers

- And address **directly** related policy issues

# ICANN Structure



# ICANN CEO and Staff

- Paul Twomey
  - appointed April 2003
- Staff reorganization underway Q3 2003
  - Vice President, Business Operations – Kurt Pritz
  - (new) General Counsel – John Jeffrey
  - *Vice President, Supporting Organizations and Committee Support*
  - *General Manager, IANA*
  - *General Manager, Public Participation*
  - *General Manager, Technical Operations*
  - *General Manager, Global Partnerships*

# Ongoing Work

- 3 year MOU signed with DOC in September 2003
- Exploring New Registry Services
  - Internationalized Domain Names (IDN)
    - Beginning to be implemented by ccTLDs and gTLDs
  - Sitefinder, and other services
    - Review underway by the Security and Stability Committee
    - Process initiated in Generic Names Supporting Organization to develop a policy regarding introducing new Registry services

# Ongoing Work, cont.

- WHOIS
  - Workshops on WHOIS issues held at the June 2003 ICANN meeting, discussions continuing
- World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)
  - ITU initiative
  - ICANN participating in discussions
- WIPO-2
  - Dealing with recommendations from WIPO concerning names and acronyms
  - Joint working group composed of participants from GNSO, GAC, and ALAC

- Next ICANN meetings are scheduled in  
Carthage, Tunisia (October 2003)  
Rome, Italy (March 2004)  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (July 2004)  
Capetown, South Africa (December 2004)



# Questions?

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