

Summarised minutes of SIDN Supervisory Board meeting

Date of meeting: 21 November 2012

1. Opening and Chairman's welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone present.

2. Minutes of 19 September 2012

It was agreed that, starting with this meeting, the minutes would be presented in a more concise form. In line with that decision, it was agreed that the minutes would be revised and represented for approval at the following meeting.

The action and resolution lists were discussed.

3. Notifications & items received

The RA had organised a survey, in which registrars were asked whether SIDN should concern itself solely with .nl. Unfortunately, SIDN was not involved with the survey. The Chairman indicated that, for the time being, the SB would simply note that the survey had taken place.

4. Finance

4.1. Billing Hub Project

The point was made on behalf of the Audit Committee that the stated cost (which had been approved by RM) was very high. However, most of the billing process was currently incorporated into DRS5 and provided no flexibility. The existing billing system needed to be modified to allow for the invoicing of products other than .nl domain names for example. Enquiries amongst peer registries had failed to identify any party interested in working with SIDN on joint development of the registration system. The SB agreed to the proposal, subject to the qualification that budget overruns could not be accepted and that if any way of bringing down the cost could be found, it would be very welcome.

4.2 Q3 2012 report

The Q3 report was considered and explanations were given where requested. All questions regarding the reports were answered.

4.3 Pricing policy

A memo was presented, updating members on the current state of affairs.

4.4 Annual plan and budget for 2013

The Chairman complimented the structure and content of the annual plan presented to the meeting. The identification of a single focus was particularly well received. He did, however, have a criticism regarding the New Business topic: insufficient attention was, in his opinion, given to the item 'Acquisition'. RM explained that the post of Legal Counsel was to be added to the staff, with a view to strengthening SIDN's position by expressing its expertise more effectively. The move would also address the single point of failure in this field.

Subject to a number of amendments discussed by the meeting, the budget and the annual plan for 2013 were approved.





6. Meeting dates for 2013

The proposed dates in the memo presented to the meeting were approved, with the exception of the date for the June meeting which was changed to 11 June 2013.

6. Other business & closure of meeting

No other business was raised. The Chairman thanked the members and declared the meeting closed.

