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I am currently employed variously as a sessional academic by Curtin University, Department of Internet Studies, by the Curtin International College as a Sessional Lecturer, and I also work as a self-employed software developer and technology consultant (under the business name Difference Engineering).

I am a resident and citizen of Australia, within ICANNs Asia/Australia/Pacific geographic region.

As a member of the executive committee of NCUC, obviously my strongest affinity within the GNSO is with NCSG..

I attest that I am willing and able to commit the estimate average of 10 hours per week during the review period.

I have no financial interest, or senior management interest, in any registry, registrar, or other entity that is a stakeholder, interested party, or contracted party as regards to ICANN.

I would not be representing any other party or person on the review team. My participation in NCUC/NCSG, and therefore GNSO and ICANN, is currently as a representative of Electronic Frontiers Australia, a non-profit civil liberties organisation, but my participation in the review team would not be dependent on representing that organisation.

**Statement about knowledge of the GNSO community's structures and operations and participation therein:**

I have participated as an active member of the NCUC since ICANNs 35th meeting in Sydney June 2009 (which I fully attended), and of the NCSG since its formation. I was an active remote participant at the 36th and 38th meetings, and an in person attendee and participant at ICANN 37 in Nairobi, Kenya. At all these meetings, I was focused on GNSO processes, and participating via GNSO structures. I have witnessed GNSO council meetings and working group processes directly on many several occasions. I have participated in many NCUC policy meetings, worked closely with NCSG GNSO councillors, and discussed GNSO policy decisions and processes at a detailed level. I have volunteered for GNSO working groups, and I have submitted comments to several ICANN public review processes.

While I have had only limited direct involvement in GNSO policy development process so far, and have never been a direct participant in GNSO council processes, I am confident I have enough knowledge of GNSO structures, operations, and policy development process to understand their place within ICANN, and to provide appropriate context for the review team process.

**Statement concerning relevant expertise:**

I have both policy development and review expertise, from a civil society perspective, and a strong technical background, with some specialist skills in the security area. Of course, none of these skill sets individually are rare in the ICANN community, but I think the combination of them is useful and appropriate for this review team.

As a board member of Electronic Frontiers Australia since 2004, I have been involved in a large number of consultations on policy review procedures and related processes, such as submissions to parliamentary committees, public reviews by statutory bodies, and similar, frequently on matters concerning security issues. I have contributed to public policy discussion and review processes with organisations such as the Australian Security Policy Institute. I am currently part of the Australian Domain Name Authority (auDA) Second Level Domain policy review panel, which oversees a policy development process involving significant public consultation.

I also have strong technical skills. I have a degree in computer science, and nearly 20 years professional experience in the field, with significant practical experience. I have understanding of these issues in some technical detail, including some degree of specialist security training. I am, for example, able to understand security issues down to the individual network packet level, configure a domain name server, and follow cryptographic discussions.

I also am currently employed as a sessional academic in the Curtin University Internet Studies department, teaching students to critically analyse internet processes and institutions. I feel this analytical expertise will also be valuable in the review process.