

# DNS Community Day



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# DNS Community Day @ APRICOT

## **DNS-OARC's mission is to**

- Promote and conduct research with operational relevance through data collection and analysis
- Offer useful services and tools
- Build relationships among its community of members
- Enable knowledge transfer by organizing open workshops
- Increase public awareness of the DNS's significance



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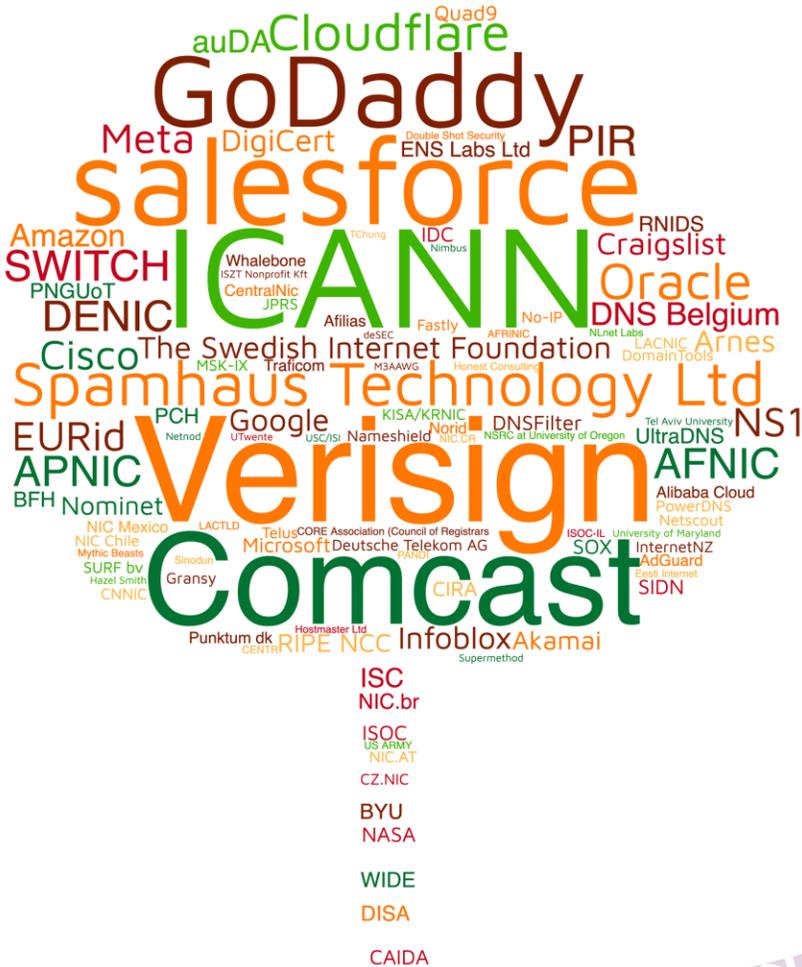
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# OARC's Members



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# OARC Structure & Governance

- 7 Staff 4 time zones
- 6 Board members, elected by the Members
- A Programme Committee, appointed by Board



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# OARC Membership ?

- Join & support the world's premier community of DNS technical experts
- Support development of tools and services to improve reliability and stability of the DNS infrastructure
- Contribute, and get access to, a unique and growing DNS dataset
- Access dedicated resources for coordinating response to incidents, outages and threats, as they happen (MM)
- Promote research into the DNS ecosystem, in a trusted neutral environment free of vested interests



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# OARC Data sharing

- 750+ TB of data – mix of DNS traces submitted by members, DITL data, historical zone files, ...
- An opportunity for researchers, vendors and operators to access unique datasets
- DNS OARC is the ideal place to share data during and after incidents have taken place
  - Post mortems, unusual traffic patterns
  - The “DNS black box”



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# Ongoing Projects

- Initiated the DITL data explorer project **Verisign** grant
- Ongoing migration of OARCs >750 TB data sets to CEPH
- New releases of OARC maintained tools (*dsc*, *dnsperf*, *dnscap*,..)
- Ongoing improvements to our Member Portal
- AS112 website automation and re-vamp - ARIN Grant
- Solved IPv6 reachability issues for dnsviz (among others)



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# Participation

- OARC is an open forum
  - Attending events is open to everyone
  - Most discussions are taking part on public lists/forums
- Some things *do* require membership:
  - Participating in its governance
  - Accessing data shared by other members
  - Create an environment of trust where information can be shared responsibly



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# Operational Best Practices

- The best place to discuss operational best practices
  - Mutual assistance with operational issues
  - Exchange ideas on how to increase security, resiliency and availability of the DNS
- OARC is the go-to place
  - Provide the forum to have these discussions
  - Provide the tools to instrument DNS and improve operational & security posture
- Operational stability is now a direct liability
  - NIS2 anyone ?



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# OARC Workshops & Events

- DNS Hackathon at RIPE 86
- OARC 41 Da Nang, Vietnam, co-located with ICANN IDS
- OARC 42 in Charlotte, NC (USA)



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# Upcoming events

- OARC 43 to be co-located with IDS 2024 (TBD)
  - Very likely **not** Europe or North America
- OARC 44 In Atlanta in Feb 2025
- OARC 45 Very likely **not** Europe or North America



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# OARC Future

- Work to make the data more widely available to collaborators
- Data access services (API, data explorers)
- Members-only services
- Work to expand scope of participation for third parties



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## Community Relations



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# Community

- Events are the key to our Community's success
  - We've had success with hybrid meetings starting with COVID
  - This has opened the door to more participation for those who can't (or won't) travel
- But the network is built through face-to-face interaction
  - Trust takes longer to build without presence
  - Some conversations simply don't take place online
  - OARC is where you might meet your future colleagues 😊



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# Let's chat, collaborate, and listen

- Community, Members, Staff
- Share your opinions and questions
- Connect with people you meet
- Follow the OARC blog, and social media



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- X: @dnsoarc
- YouTube: @dnsoarc
- LinkedIn Company page: DNS-OARC
- Facebook Page: dnsoarc
- Instagram: dnsoarc
- <https://lists.dns-oarc.net>



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# Thank You



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# Questions ?



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