

# Board of Trustees

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Decision record of the  
meeting held on 11 April  
2023

# 1. Attendees

## MEMBERS WITH VOTING RIGHTS

### APPOINTED:

- **Mr Godefroy Beauvallet** by the INRIA President
- **Mr Luc Saccavini** by the INRIA President
- **Mr Gilles Crespin** by the French Ministry for Industry
- **Ms Mireille Campana** by the French Ministry for Electronic Communications
- **Mr Boris Dintrans**, appointed by the French Ministry of Higher Education and Research

### ELECTED:

- **Mr Sébastien Bachollet** by the “Users” Consultative Committee
- **Mr Paul Perpere** by the “Users” Consultative Committee
- **Mr Arnaud Franquinet** by the “Registrars” Consultative Committee
- **Mr Sébastien Almiron** by the “Registrars” Consultative Committee
- **Mr Souleymane Oumtanaga** by the International College

### PARTICIPANT IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY

- **Mr Pierre Bonis**, CEO of Afnic

### OTHER PARTICIPANTS

- **Mr Laurent Toutain**, Chair of the Scientific Council
- **Mr Benoit Ampeau**, Partnerships and Innovations Director, Afnic
- **Ms Sophie Canac**, Head of Associative Governance, Afnic
- **Ms Caroline Duval-Favre**, Purchasing and Finance Director, Afnic
- **Ms Marianne Georgelin**, Legal Director, Afnic

- **Mr Hervé Martin**, Human Resources Director, Afnic
- **Mr Régis Massé**, Director of Information Systems, Afnic
- **Ms Lucile Ravasse**, Director Operational Communication and Marketing, Afnic
- **Ms Emilie Turbat**, Marketing and Commercial Director, Afnic

## 2. Working papers

- Meeting notification
- List of participants
- Agenda
- Authorised representative template
- Draft resolutions submitted for approval by the Board of Trustees
- Presentation material
- Minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2023
- Dashboard as at 31 March 2023
- 2022 Management Report corrected following the Finance Committee meeting of 31 March 2023
- Naming Policy in track changes applicable as of July 2023
- Dispute management policy in track changes applicable as of July 2023
- Draft Mediation Regulations for information purposes

## 3. Agenda

- Welcome and appointment of the Recording Secretary
- Welcome of a new trustee \* & Introductions (10 mins)
- Approval of the Minutes of the Board meeting held on 8 February 2023
- News update
- Dashboard as at 31 March 2022
- Feedback on the consultative committee meetings of 30 March
- Registry policies: mediation
  - Report of the Chairman of the Committee

- Amendment of the Naming Policy and other documents
- Amendment of the .fr fee
- Relocation
  - Opinion of the Commitment Committee
  - Vote on the resolution for the purchase of Comète
- Closure of the 2022 accounts
  - Report of the Chairman of the Finance Committee
  - Presentation of the 2022 accounts
  - Vote on the resolution concerning approval of the accounts
- JCSA topic and news of the Scientific Council in 2023
- Commercial strategy
- Update on membership and the Association
- Notice and Agenda of the General Meeting
- Meeting schedule
- Miscellaneous

## 4. Decision record

Godefroy Beauvallet opened the meeting. The agenda was approved. Sophie Canac was appointed Recording Secretary.

### 4.1.1. Resolution 1 : Welcome of a new trustee

The Afnic Board of Trustees welcomes a new trustee:

Mr Boris Dintrans, appointed as representative of the founding member the French Ministry of Higher Education and Research

### 4.1.2. Resolution 2 : Approval of the minutes of Board of Trustees' meeting held on 8 February 2023

The Board of Trustees approves the draft minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2023.

### **4.1.3. Resolution 3-1: Mediation: Amendment of the registry policies / Amendment of the Naming Policy**

Based on the report of the Registry Policy Committee, the Board of Trustees adopts the amendments of the following articles of the Naming Policy:

- Article 1.2 – Components: The Afnic Naming Policy comprises: (...) – the mediation regulations;
- Article 6.5 – Compulsory transfer: Afnic carries out compulsory transfers of domain names further to: (...) a transfer agreement within the framework of a mediation procedure;
- Article 6.8 – Deletion of a domain name: A domain name may be deleted: (...) following a deletion agreement within the framework of a mediation procedure;

The details were presented in the attached document.

This new version will come into force as of 3 July 2023.

### **4.1.4. Resolution 3-2: Amendment of the Dispute Management Policy**

Based on the report of the Registry Policy Committee, the Board adopts the amendment of the following articles of the Dispute Management Policy:

Addition of a paragraph on the presentation of the mediation procedure:

Art. 2.6: The mediation procedure (in non-litigious solutions available to rights holders)

Afnic provides a free and strictly confidential mediation service between a claimant and the domain name holder, ahead of a Syreli or PARL EXPERT dispute resolution procedure.

The procedure is governed by the Mediation regulations accessible here: <https://www.afnic.fr/en/domain-names-and-support/resolve-a-dispute/adr-alternative-dispute-resolution/>

At the conclusion of the Procedure, the Mediator establishes a Report summarising the emergence or not of a negotiated solution. When the solution negotiated by the Parties concerns the transfer or deletion of the domain name that is the subject of the mediation procedure, the solution is executed immediately. Afnic implements the procedures required in the case of Compulsory Transfer or Deletion of the domain name.

The details were presented in the attached document.

This new version will come into force as of 3 July 2023.

#### **4.1.5. Resolution 4: .fr fee increase**

After studying the impact of inflation on the registry and particularly the increase in personnel costs, energy and IT equipment costs, and after verification of the performance of the "inflation" criterion, the Board of Trustees authorises the CEO to submit a request to the awarding authority to increase the .fr fee.

This increase may not exceed cumulative inflation between 30 July 2021 and 30 July 2023 and, if accepted by the awarding authority, shall come into force at the earliest on 1 January 2024.

#### **4.1.6. Resolution 5: Approval of the 2022 financial statements**

On the basis of the report of the Finance and Risk Management Committee, the Board of Trustees, after examining the annual accounts (balance sheet, income statement and appendices) as presented and which indicate a profit for the year of €1,006,172, approves the financial statements for the year ended 31/12/2022, including the endowment to the AFNIC Foundation for Digital Solidarity of €2,151,409. The Board proposes to the General Meeting the allocation of the accounting surplus of €1,006,172 to the "other reserves and working capital" account.

## 4.1.7. Resolution 6: Notice and Agenda of the Ordinary General Meeting

The Board authorises the Chair to call an Ordinary General Meeting of the members of the Association on Friday 9 June 2023 at 10am.

The agenda shall be the following:

1. Opening by the Chair
2. Appointment of a Recording Secretary and a Scrutineer
3. Activity report 2022
4. Presentation of the 2022 annual accounts
5. Auditor's report
6. Approval of the accounts for the 2022 financial year and allocation of earnings
7. Vote on the 2024 overall budget allocated to trustee compensation
8. Discussions with the members on the association and the associative promise

The General Meeting shall be held at CAMPUS CYBER – 5 Rue Bellini, 92800 Puteaux.

Drawn up in Montigny-le-Bretonneux, on 11 April 2023

The Chair

The Trustee

The Recording Secretary

Godefroy Beauvallet

Sophie Canac