



Norway Chapter

Annual Report 2018

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This annual report covers the calendar year, 2018.

Introduction

The Norway Chapter of the Internet Society ("ISOC Norge") was formally reinstated in 2013. The bylaws were approved by the Internet Society on May 8, 2013. The Bylaws were modified at the Annual Meeting on February 28, 2018 and approved by Internet Society on May 23, 2018.

Board members in this period

The following Board members were elected at the annual meeting, February 28, 2018:

- Alf Hansen (re-elected, 7. term)
- Torgeir Waterhouse (re-elected 7. term)
- Thomas Gramstad (re-elected 4. term)
- Knut Storvik (re-elected 3. term)
- Salve J. Nilsen (re-elected 2. term)
- Ole Trøan (re-elected 2. term)
- Ragnhild Marie Holen (new)
- Simen Linderud (new)
- Hans Petter Holen (new)

Alf Hansen has served as Chair of the Board, Salve J, Nilsen has served as Vice Chair of the Board.

Hans Petter Holen has served as Treasurer.

Members of Internet Society Norway

At December 31st, 2018 the number of registered members was 177. Previous years: February 2018: 173. March 2017: 150. March 2016: 139. August 2015: 116. There is no personal membership fee.

Board meetings in this period

The Board meetings are in general held over Internet in the form of video meetings in order to facilitate digital attendance. Previous annual meeting was held February 28, 2018. The number of Board meetings in this period has been 9, one each month except July, August and December 2018.

Chapter activities, this period

A workplan was prepared and approved by the Board in October 2018.

The year 2018 has been mostly useful for the Board to discuss various topics and to open up the organization for the members.

The activities are commented below related to last year's plan of action:

- **Political focus**
 - No public hearings.
- **Member focus**
 - Ultimo February 2018: Annual meeting with external speaker, Joakim Hammerlin on "Chilling Effect". 12 participants.
 - March 2018: Pre-IETF 101 London-meetup in Oslo. 7 participants.
 - All the other planned meetups was cancelled due to lack of participation from members: May 2018: RIPE 76-meetup. October 2018: Blockchain meetup.
 - 3 newsletters have been published to the membership the first 6 months.
 - A study on membership fee has been initiated.
- **Networking focus**
 - ISOC Norway has not yet found its place as a Community At-Large Structure in the European region, coordinated by EURALO, the [European Regional At-Large Organization within ICANN](#). EURALO consists of Internet-related civil society and consumer interests, representing their views in the bottom-up, consensus-based, multi-stakeholder ICANN policy development process.
 - ISOC Norway has participated in one NORPOL-meeting in June 2018.
 - November 2018: Four members of the Board participated at "Nasjonalt Internetforum 2018" organized by NORID (Norid runs the registry for Norwegian domain names under .no) and NKOM (Nkom is an autonomous agency of the Ministry of Transport and Communications).
- **Media focus**
 - Our open Web-site, isoc.no, has been updated, but there is still a potential for improvement.
 - [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) have been used regularly to give followers an "ISOC-flavor" to relevant important topics in Norway or elsewhere.

- Our [LinkedIn company page](#) needs more attention than we have been able to give it this last year.
- An [ISOC Norway Meetup-group](#) has been used on the Meetup-service to publish information about the planned meetups.

Election of Board members

In accordance with the new bylaws, Board members will be elected for one or two years. Any member of ISOC Norway may be elected as a new Board member to replace a sitting Board member. Candidates with the majority of the votes will be elected. The Board may consist of 5-9 members. The Board suggests that the current number of Members of the Board, NINE (9), is continued for the next period, provided enough candidates are found and they are elected by the General Assembly.

Plan of action next term

The Board has approved a [workplan \(in Norwegian\)](#).

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