

2013 AGM Director Nominations

Candidate Statements

James Deck (Supply)

I own a well-established business called 1300 Web Pro that specialises in web design, e-mail marketing and programming. We are a .AU reseller managing 900 domains. I believe growing the .AU ecosystem requires collaboration and cooperation between resellers, registrars, the registry and AuDA. If elected, I will endeavour to balance the interests of each of these parties, along with of course, the registrants (for whom we Supply Class members exist).

I have an MBA, I'm a member of the Institute of Company Directors and am currently a finalist for AIM Young Manager of the Year.

For more, please visit www.deck4auda.com.au

George Pongas (Supply)

Currently I hold the position as General Manager, Registry Services Australian Division at AusRegistry. I have decided to stand for a third term as an auDA Board Director (Supply Class), believing that my 10 years of industry experience and current position at the Registry Operator, allows me to provide a valuable contribution to the board and ultimately the .au industry.

I have a commercial sensibility, a strong sense of fairness, and extensive experience and networks in the domain name industry and these attributes will continue to assist me positively in my role as an auDA Board Director.

Kartic Srinivasan (Supply)

I would like to bring my 11 Years of experience (including 2 years on the auDA Board) in the Domain name Community to

- Promote .au domain space by maintaining competition & growth of the namespace
- Preserve & improve the trust of the .au domain space
- Increase the stability of the .au DNS and registry infrastructure
- Co-ordinate with the supply side to ensure they are aware of major board agenda items and key decisions displayed on auDA website
- Ensure appropriate transparency on major items on expenditure to ensure public accountability

Experience:

- General Manager – Operations – Melbourne IT
- auDA Board Member (2011-2013)

Adam Blake (Demand)

With my background in journalism, business and IT I'm heavily involved with developing and supporting Internet commerce and industry.

I founded my firm BlakeMedia, over ten years ago and continue to enjoy the challenges of growing businesses in our frantic industry.

As a Demand Class Director I intend to represent the interests of Australian Internet developers, businesses and domain owners to the benefit of all business and consumers.

In furthering my contribution to the Australian Internet community I believe I can provide innovative fresh ideas in building integrity and value for Australian domains and confidence in the Australian Internet industry.

Simon Johnson (Demand)

I have been involved in the Internet industry for more than two decades, having co-founded one of Australia's first ISP's and Internet Security companies. I have held Senior Management roles in the areas of Governance, Risk, Security, and Fraud Prevention for publicly listed companies and Australian Government Departments. I have also served on the 2010/11 auDA Names Policy Panel.

Currently, I'm the co-founder of IPNeighborhood.com, an Intellectual Property and Competitive Intelligence firm.

I believe that with my commercial, real world experience, I can provide auDA with fresh ideas and truly represent the Demand Class membership.

For more information visit <http://www.simonjohnson.co>

Paul Levins (Demand)

I have been a member of the auDA Board since 2011. I have a deep interest/experience in domain name issues and governance. From 2006-2010, I was Executive Officer/VP at ICANN. I set up ICANN's Washington DC office and was a key architect/author of the Affirmation of Commitments, a globally significant accountability and transparency agreement. I was ICANN's spokesperson on IPv6, new gTLDs, Internet Governance. I also have an extensive understanding of government having been a Chief of Staff in Federal and State ministries and understand business having been Operations and Corporate Affairs Manager in major international infrastructure and telecommunications companies.

Steven Roddis (Demand)

Hi I am Steven Roddis a security researcher with a passion for privacy. I believe in free speech, fight for privacy and think censorship is stupid.

I hate domainers, they are pure evil.

Remember that awesome domain name you thought of only to find it unused and for sale? That was a domainer.

I am for: little visible whois info (think address, phone), private whois (I hate spammers too!), domain approval (stop domainers)

I am against: dotless domains (security risk), gTLDs (cash grab& security risk), domain tasting

Help me kick domainers in the [gender non-specific] balls by voting for me!

Josh Rowe (Demand)

Josh Rowe has been helping businesses make money using the Internet for over 20 years. Josh is a digital entrepreneur with a passion for starting up new online businesses, creating inspiring online offers and delivering commercial benefits. Josh is a key executive and digital expert within a blue chip company, driving digital change through the development of their digital strategy and launching new capabilities. Josh is a director of key Internet industry bodies. Josh has driven the introduction of a new competitive industry model for the Australian domain name industry and the enactment of anti-spam legislation in Australia. Website: <http://josh.id.au/>

Karl Schaffarczyk (Demand)

I have been a member of auDA for almost fifteen years. During this time I established, grew and sold a small ISP, and have contributed to policy development through my involvement with auDA advisory panels, and IIA-led consultations with government.

I am in the final year of my law degree at the University of Canberra. I have a keen interest in Intellectual Property law reform, openness in governance, and removal of censorship. My objectives for the .au space are moderation and balance: upholding the utility of .au registrants and internet users against reasonable commercial interests of registry and registrar operators.

Grant Wiltshire (Demand)

Director Accelerate Performance Consulting, working with clients including all levels of Government and corporates across the country. Previously I owned an IT services company.

From 2005-2011, I was the Executive Director for Telstra Victoria and Tasmania – accountable for over \$2.5 billion in revenue and managed Telstra’s operations.

My education background includes account, marketing, business management and commercial law.

I live in regional Victoria with personal interests including running, swimming, guitar and of course my wife Jenny and our three children.

I have a long standing interest in the domain industry and in representing consumer interests.