

Internet Society Switzerland Chapter

Activity Report 2013

Right before the General Assembly 2013 we hold the WCIT Digest, where Richard Hill (former ITU-staff), Frédéric Riehl (OFCOM/BAKOM) and Markus Kummer (ISOC) presented and participated in a panel discussion.

In close collaboration with ISOC-CH member Raphael Dard we hosted the “Society, Internet and Privacy” event in Geneva. The event consisted of two short presentations on ISOC and ISOC-CH, as well as a main presentation hold by a security expert.

Unfortunately we were unable to hold our planned event “Saying Good Bye to Privacy?”, which was scheduled to take place in November 2013. Whereas we worked hard and accomplished a great program, we were unable to raise sufficient funds to cover related expenses.

Throughout the year we held several informal After-Work events both in Zurich and Geneva to give our members the opportunity to meet other ISOC-CH members, as well as to provide input to the board on your wishes and expectations.

Based on the decision of the General Assembly 2013 we began with the implementation of our membership fee. We evaluated an open source tool for creating the invoices and tracking the paid membership fees. After the successful implementation, we were able to send out the first batch of invoices in July. To offer our members an easy payment method and an alternative to the standard wire-transfer, we created an own PayPal account.

In the to-do list there still three pending actions that we were not able to accomplish in 2013: recovering the funds from the de-chartered ISOC Geneva Chapter, creating an organization level membership and maturing our sponsoring activities.

All in all, it has been a busy year with various activities and events.

The ISOC-CH Board

- Bernie Hoeneisen, Chair
- Lynn Sorrentino, Vice-Chair for Internal Affairs
- Federico Galati, Vice-Chair for External Affairs
- Roque Gagliano, Treasurer
- Lukas Mergenthaler, Secretary

Detailed activities:

GA and Board Meetings:

- 08.03.2013: Annual General Assembly 2013
- 03.04.2013: Board Meeting
- 08.05.2013: Board Meeting
- 03.06.2013: Board Meeting
- 17.07.2013: Board Meeting
- 17.10.2013: Board Meeting
- 06.02.2014: Board Meeting
- 24.02.2014: Board Meeting
- 25.03.2014: Board Meeting

Events:

- 24.01.2013: 3rd After-Work Drink, ISOC Greater Zurich Area – St. Gallerhof, Zurich
- 08.03.2013: WCIT Digest – University of Bern, Bern
- 16.05.2013: Society, Internet and Privacy – ISOC EMEA Headquarters, Geneva
- 21.05.2013: 4th After-Work Drink, ISOC Greater Zurich Area – St. Gallerhof, Zurich
- 29.07.2013: IETF-87 participants from Switzerland dinner – Berlin
- 17.09.2013: 5th After-Work Drink, ISOC Greater Zurich Area – St. Gallerhof, Zurich
- 20.09.2013: 6th After-Work Drink, ISOC Greater Geneva Area – Les Brasseur, Geneva

Web and Social Media:

- Created the Events Support Group (ESG) mailing list
- Created the Public Policy Aspects Committee (PPAC) mailing list
- Twitter: 116 followers, nearly 400 tweets, and started regular tweeting as of 17 March 2013 and outreach to tech firms, other ISOC chapters, IPv6 groups, and more.
- Facebook: 27 Members of ISOC-CH group, regular updates and member engagement.

Public Relations and Attendance

- 18.02.2013: Participation/Presentation on ISOC-CH at Domain Pulse in Davos (chair)
- 21.02.2013: Participation/Representation at OFCOM Plateforme Tripartite in Bern (chair)
- 19.04.2013: Participation/Representation at Swiss IGF in Bern (chair)
- 28.07-02.08.2013: Several members attended IETF-87 in Berlin (incl. chair & treasurer)
- 16.09-18.09.2013: Several members attended OKCon in Geneva
- 16.10.2013: Participation in the OFCOM Net Neutrality Working Group (chair & Balthasar Glättli)
 - Follow-Up participation by ISOC-CH designate (Balthasar Glättli)
- 18.02.2014 Dinner with Vint Cerf
- 03.03.2014 Participation/Representation at OFCOM Plateforme Tripartite in Bern (chair)
- Member Survey: March 2014: Survey created to ask members of priorities. 27 replies total, to determine priorities moving forward into 2014.

30.03.2014, Lukas Mergenthaler, Secretary