

## COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AMERICAN REGISTRY FOR INTERNET NUMBERS, LTD. AND THE NORTH AMERICAN NETWORK OPERATORS' GROUP

### 1. Cooperating Parties:

THE AMERICAN REGISTRY FOR INTERNET NUMBERS, LTD. or "ARIN", a nonprofit, member-based organization serving over 25,000 member organizations that include Internet service providers, enterprises, universities, content providers, hosting companies and more. ARIN plays a unique and critical role in the operations of the Internet in Canada, the United States, and many Caribbean islands. This includes IP address space allocation, transfer, and record maintenance; registration information (Whois/RDAP); education, discussion-focused mailing lists; facilitation of a bottom-up, open Internet resource policy development process; and the development of technical services to support the evolving needs of the Internet Community.

And

NORTH AMERICAN NETWORK OPERATORS' GROUP or "NANOG", a professional association for Internet engineering and architecture organized as a 501(c)3 non profit membership organization whose mission is to provide forums in the North American region for education and the sharing of knowledge for the Internet operations community. NANOG focuses on the technologies and systems that make the Internet function: core routing and switching; Internet interdomain routing; the domain name system; peering and interconnection; and Internet core security. We also cover associated areas with a direct impact on Internet architecture such as data centers and optical networking. NANOG has 570 members and proudly serves over 750 attendees during its conferences held 3 times per year.

NANOG and ARIN are referred to in this agreement each individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

### 2. Purpose:

The purpose of this Cooperative Agreement (CA): To document the agreement between the organizations to work cooperatively on a seamless set of services to the Internet operators of the North American region.

The Parties will annually review and update a specific list of coordinated activities and related support as mutually agreed in writing and identified in Appendix A. This CA strives to define the existing relationship more formally between the Parties and ensure mutual and respectful cooperation to benefit the shared community.

3. General Areas of Cooperation:

- a. Collaborate mutually and equally to plan and facilitate joint or conjoined meetings and related activities of mutual interest, from time to time, to advance sound Internet network operations and development of informed Internet number resource policy.
- b. Maintain an open communication channel for the development of mutually beneficial meetings, respecting the cultures of both Parties. Cross promote each Parties' meetings to the benefit of educating the shared community.
- c. Promote Internet engineering educational efforts, including scholarships, fellowships, and other opportunities as may be mutually agreed.

4. Terms:

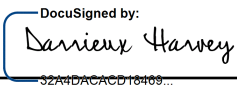
This Cooperative Agreement will be in effect until December 31, 2030, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

Either Party may terminate this CA for any reason, or no reason, upon written notice to the other party to that effect. Unless otherwise mutually agreed by the parties, the effective date of such termination shall be on the thirtieth (30th) day after the date of the notice of termination.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to be legally binding and enforceable in any court of law. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to make or authorize a Party as the agent of the other Party.

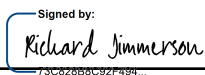
This **Cooperative Agreement** has been duly executed as of the DAY of MONTH, 2024. 06-NOV-2024 | 13:15:16 PST

**NORTH AMERICAN NETWORK OPERATORS GROUP (NANOG)**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_  
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Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Director of operations \_\_\_\_\_

**AMERICAN REGISTRY FOR INTERNET NUMBERS, LTD. (ARIN)**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_  
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Title: \_\_\_\_\_ COO \_\_\_\_\_

## **Appendix A – Activities and Support**

**Last Updated: March 2015, April 2016, June 2016, MONTH 2024**

**Specific Areas of cooperation in the 2025 – 2030 timeframe include:**

- Joint Fall Meeting Planning – This consists of a shared meeting week in October containing a full NANOG Meeting and an ARIN Public Policy and Members Meeting. ARIN and NANOG will collaborate to find a mutually agreeable location and a venue that fits the needs of both parties. Staff from both organizations shall be a party to all hotel negotiations, resulting in individual hotel contracts, with appropriate staff from each organization being recognized as the main point of contact for their respective hotel contracts.
- Shared Vendors for Webcasting –. Webcasting the program content is of benefit to the Internet community in the ARIN region and beyond. NANOG will collaborate with ARIN to secure the vendors for webcasting and other audio-visual support. ARIN and NANOG are each individually responsible for their contracts, noting that the NANOG contract covers set-up costs, the ARIN contract covers teardown, and shipping expenses are shared to reduce the cost burden for both parties.
- ARIN Customer Support Helpdesk at each NANOG meeting - As part of the Cooperative Agreement, NANOG will provide a space in a well-trafficked area for the ARIN Customer Support Desk at NANOG Meetings. This ARIN presence provides network operators in attendance with the opportunity to meet face-to-face with ARIN staff about general and specific requests for Internet number resources. This helpdesk has proven valuable to the NANOG community and helps ARIN fulfill its mission goals.
- Discounted Registration for ARIN Fellows – At the fall meeting, ARIN fellows are encouraged to also attend NANOG with registration funded by ARIN. NANOG will provide the NANOG Early Bird at the rate of \$700 for up to 15 registrations to support ARIN fellows participating at NANOG.
- ARIN Updates at NANOG meetings – As part of the Cooperative Agreement, ARIN will be permitted to submit via the standard NANOG review process, a speaking opportunity at of at least two of the three annual NANOG conferences to provide an update on its operations and relevant details that are of interest to the operator community. This does not preclude submitting other presentations to the Program Committee for consideration