



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

Via Email

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Alain Berranger
NPOC Chair

Dear Alain,

I will complete my commitment to a three-year term as President and CEO of ICANN on July 1. Before my departure, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the fruitful collaboration that has been a hallmark of our work together.

Both ICANN and the global Internet have benefited from your contributions and constructive engagement. I have personally valued the spirit of cooperation and open communication that you and your organization have demonstrated. I have enjoyed and benefitted from our interactions.

As announced on June 22, Fadi Chehadé will become President and CEO of ICANN later this year. I am pleased that another former CEO, with years of prior experience outside the industry, has been selected. I have asked my executive team and staff to provide him a warm welcome and to make all necessary preparations for his arrival.

In the immediate term, Akram Atallah, whom you already know as ICANN's Chief Operating Officer, will succeed me as CEO on an interim basis. I can think of no finer executive to serve in this role. I hope you will provide Akram and Fadi the same assistance and advice from which I have benefitted these past three years.

Sincerely,

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