

## IGC Candidates list

The Internet Governance Caucus is suggesting the following list of candidates to the IGF secretariat for consideration for membership in the IGF's Multistakeholder Advisory Group.

This group of candidates was selected by a nomination committee the used criteria that are documented in this note. Information on the candidates can be found by selecting the name (in the html version). Biographies are appended to this note.

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(Note: Names are listed in alphabetical order by first name)

## Criteria

The criteria the IGC NomCom used were originally discussed on the Internet Governance caucus list and then discussed by the NomCom before making their selections.

The basic criteria established before the first choices were made include:

- Must be active civil society participants
- Should be at least 2 from each of the 5 geographical regions if possible
- Should attempt to achieve gender balance
- Should include as much diversity as possible; e.g. for skill and knowledge set, age, disability, etc.
- Should include people who have shown commitment to keeping CS updated on developments
- Should be people who have shown ability to lobby governments in order to help achieve CS positions

A working statement of the criteria is best expressed by a quote from one of the members of the NomCom:

*To that end, people we appoint should have a stated (and, I would hope, demonstrated) commitment to consultation and thoughtful dialogue with the community. We should seek a wide range of views and talents on the committee, but one constant should be good communication. This is more than participation on the list; it also includes listening, mediating, facilitating, trying to build consensus -- and, most importantly, being able to articulate the truly held views of others even when you disagree with them.*

## Process

When the IGF announced that it was looking for recommendations for the membership of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (IGF-MAG) the Internet Governance Caucus decided to create a Nominating Committee (NomCom) that would be responsible for selecting candidates that would be presented to the IGF secretariat.

The IGC process occurred in two stages:

- Creation of the NomCom
- Soliciting and choosing the candidates.

Each phase of the process will be explained below.

### Creation of the NomCom

Between 25-30 March, the IGC solicited volunteers for a NomCom consisting of 5 voting members and 1 non-voting chair. In all, 34 individual civil society participants of the Internet Governance mailing list volunteered for the NomCom. On 1 April a publicly verifiable and transparent random selection process, done according to the algorithm set out in RFC3797<sup>1</sup>, was used to select the 5 members of NomCom. The volunteers selected were:

- Bret Faucett
- Karen Banks
- Magaly Pazzello
- Rainer Kuhlen
- Richard Draves
- Avri Doria - non-voting chair

All NomCom participants, voting and non voting, were disqualified from selection as IGC candidates for this year's IGF-MAG. The NomCom began its work shortly after being selected.

### Soliciting and choosing the candidates

Shortly after the the NomCom was selected a notice was sent to the Internet Governance Caucus list, the Civil Society Plenary list and several other civil society working group and caucus lists soliciting nominations for the IGC's candidate list. In all, 27 nominations were received for the 15 candidate slots by the 12 April deadline set by the IGC-NomCom. Three nominations were offered after the deadline but these were rejected in fairness to others who may not have thought to submit after the deadline and because the selection process was already underway by the time these nominations were received. All nominations were made public at: <http://www.wsis-cs.org/igf/nominations.shtml>.

As the nominations were being solicited and processed, the members of the NomCom reviewed and discussed the criteria to be used and the process to followed in selecting the candidates to be presented to the IGF.

Once the nomination period was over, the voting members of the NomCom took a first round vote. In this vote, each NomCom member selected ten (10) names from the nominee pool and sent these names in secret to the chair, who tabulated the votes and presented them on the NomCom list once all votes had been received.

The results of this vote were as follows:

- 10 nominees received a majority vote (3 or more votes)
- 4 nominees received 5 votes
- 2 nominees received greater then 3 but less then 5 votes<sup>1</sup>
- 4 nominees received 3 votes

After the vote there was a discussion about the various candidates and the voting member's reasons for picking one candidate over another. There was also a discussion about how the nominees who had received a majority vote fit the criteria and requirements for diversity and balance. There was also a discussion on who of the nominee pool, among those who had not received a majority vote, could help improve the overall balance of the slate to be presented to the IGF.

After the discussion, the following decision was made:

- The 6 nominees who had received more then 3 votes would be accepted as chosen candidates.
- The 4 candidates who had received 3 votes would be provisional candidates. A provisional candidate could only be removed from the selected list if a majority of the voting members of the NomCom requested that he or she be removed from the list. None of the provisional candidates was removed from the candidate list.

In order to select the final 5 candidates a second round of voting was held. In this case a 24 hour voting period was established where each voting member was invited to cast a ballot for 5 of the nominees who had not yet been selected. This was a open vote where the voting members were encouraged to comment on their choices or the choices of others, and were allowed to change their vote up until the end of the voting period.

The second round of voting resulted in:

- 5 nominees with a majority
- 3 nominees with 4 votes each
- 2 nominees with 3 votes each
- 5 nominees with fewer then 3 votes

The decision was made to accept the 5 nominees with a majority to complete the 15 person candidate list.

## Biographies of the Candidates

### Adam Peake

Adam is a senior researcher at the Center for Global Communications (GLOCOM), an academic research institute located in Tokyo specializing in the study of information society and Japan.

He has been living in Japan since 1989 and joined GLOCOM in April 1993. His interests are the intersection of public policy and the Internet, and promoting information and communication technologies in society. At GLOCOM Adam works on projects related to telecommunications and broadband policy, network and information security policy and trends, and follow-up activities for the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS).

Adam has been working on Internet policy related projects in the Asia Pacific region since the mid-1990s. Most recently he was a member of UNDP Asia-Pacific Development Information Programme's Open Regional Dialogue on Internet Governance (ORDIG), which helped increase stakeholder awareness of Internet Governance issues within the region and contributed regional input and perspectives on these issues to the WSIS and WGIG processes.

Adam participated in the G8 DOT Force where GLOCOM was the Japanese NPO representative. Adam has co-lead GLOCOM's work on WSIS, including GLOCOM's role as facilitator of NGO/Civil Society participation in the Asia and Pacific Regional WSIS Conference, January 2003. GLOCOM was also civil society organizer/coordinator for the WSIS Thematic meeting "Tokyo Ubiquitous Network Conference" in May 2005.

He was co-coordinator of the WSIS Civil Society Internet Governance Caucus from December 2003 (Geneva Summit) to February 2006, is a member of the Public Interest Registry (.ORG) Advisory Council and is the Associate Chair of ICANN's Nominating Committee (2006).

Before coming to Japan, Adam was employed at British Telecom as a project manager working on the interconnection of Other Licensed Operators (cellular radio, radio paging and competitive telephony carriers.)

### Chun Eunghwi

Eung Hwi Chung studied Public Policy and International Relations at the KDI School of Public Policy and Management. He received his B.A. in English Literature from Korea University. His current position is General Secretary of PeaceNet Korea, E-Commerce Advisory Member, Green Consumer Network in Korea. Mr. Chun has been actively involved in Internet governance policy issues since 2000.

He served as a member of Name & Number Committee, of KRNIC (Korea Network Information Center), the South Korean ccTLD administrator. His organization has been a member of the Noncommercial Users Constituency of ICANN's GNSO since 2001. In that capacity, Chun was elected to the GNSO Council, the policy making body for domain names in ICANN. During the WSIS first phase (2003) Chun was a delegate of Korean Civil Society Network. In 2005 Geneva session for internet governance, he actively joined in UNDP-APDIP forum and Ubiquitous theme conference held in Japan for preparation of 2nd WSIS.

### Divina Frau-Meigs

With regards to WSIS and Internet Governance, Divina Frau-Meigs has been a prominent expert for years, both as an outstanding academic and as a committed civil society member, in the field of media, ICTs and their implication for education and research. She has followed the WSIS process from the very beginning. As part of the preliminary consultation with Unesco, she drafted the report for the online consultation of civil society and has been active in drafting ever since. She has been the focal point for the education family in phase 1 and has reorganized it as a taskforce in phase 2. During the precoms he has been an active moderator, she has been a speaker in a number of WSIS related regional event (Tokyo, St-Petersburg, Paris,) and at the Summit she has been a speaker in the Official High Level Round Tables.

(She has written extensively about ICTs, media and Internet governance and regulation in leading journals (Médiamorphoses, Tocqueville, European Journal of Communication, Š) and has published a variety of chapters in books related to WSIS (Unesco-documentation française, Boell Foundation Book, UN-ICT taskforce book).

Divina Frau-Meigs also has expertise in international high level conferences and the kind of negotiations that they entail. She has worked in numerous UN conferences (UNESCO, ITU, WIPO). She is an expert for e-learning and for information society programmes for the European Union (Information Society division), the council of Europe (Human rights division) and Unesco (information division). As vice-president of IAMCR, a worldwide NGO with consultative status within the UN, she has been an observer and an expert for the Convention on Cultural Diversity and such UN programmes as IPDC (media for development) and IFAP (information for all). She has also co-founded a new NGO, MENTOR, to deal with international media education and e-learning issues.

Divina Frau-Meigs stands for an Internet which is open for all, promotes human rights and sustainable development ; she strongly believes in a governance model of bottom-up policy development and multi-stakeholderism. She has never failed to put Internet Governance in the broader context of Information Society issues, raised by WSIS, especially education, research, cultural diversity, free enabling environments, Š The various statements of the education taskforce published on the ITU website testify to the level of commitment and of analysis and to the platform for action that she proposes to follow up on with IGF.

Most importantly from the point of view of the education taskforce and in the interest of the follow-up on the WSIS process, Divina Frau-Meigs has been a reliable resource person. She has made herself available many times in the two phases of WSIS and devoted her full attention to the process indefatigably. She has always made sure information was disseminated in a variety of languages and that equity and transparency in the process have been respected. As a member of the CivilSociety bureau, she also has tried to solve disputes among members of the various groups and has worked towards the establishment of negotiated consensus.

### Gemma Brice (Ken) Lohento

Ken LOHENTO, 33, Beninese, holds a Master of Research Degree in Information and Communication (Paris X University - France). He works for the Panos Institute West Africa (PIWA [www.panos-ao.org](http://www.panos-ao.org)), based in Senegal, where he coordinates (among others) a project called CIPACO [www.cipaco.org](http://www.cipaco.org). The CIPACO (Center for International ICT Policies for Central and West Africa) aims at strengthening stakeholders' capacities in West and Central Africa, for meaningful participation in ICT policy decision-making processes, notably at the international level. At PIWA, he manages websites, organizes workshops, e-debates and coordinates reports on issues such as the regulation of convergence, media and ICTs, Internet Governance, Intellectual Property Rights in the information society, Internet Exchange Points, African participation in WSIS, Universal Access, etc. He actively contributed in the various phases on the WSIS process, first on a voluntary basis and now as coordinator of the CIPACO project. He participated in the following WSIS meetings : Geneva summit in 2003, African regional preparatory meeting in Accra 2005, 3rd WSIS 2 Preproc in Geneva (as WGIG intern), WSIS Tunis Summit in Tunisia. He is member of the WSIS Internet Governance Caucus, the WSIS Civil Society Plenary Caucus, the African Civil Society WSIS Caucus.

He has worked as consultant for various institutions in the area of ICT4D (UNDP-Benin, AIF (International Francophone Agency), UNESCO-Paris (Community Multimedia Centers project), Association for Progressive Communication (APC), etc.). He also has collaborated on a voluntary basis for many African civil society initiatives ([iafric@iafric.net](mailto:iafric@iafric.net), <http://www.oridv.org>, <http://www.reseauafricanet.org>, African Civil Society for the Information Society (ACSIS), etc., some of which he initiated. He also has participated in various international initiatives, such as the Global Community Network Partnership (GCNP [http://www.vocam.org/rubrique.php3?id\\_rubrique=9](http://www.vocam.org/rubrique.php3?id_rubrique=9)), the World Forum on Community Networking <http://lecarrefour.org>, the ANAIS network, Africanti [www.africanti.org](http://www.africanti.org). He wrote several reports or articles on knowledge mediation in rural areas, ICT policies in Benin and French speaking countries, Multistakeholder partnerships in Africa, Civil society involvement in ICT policies in Africa, ICT uses, etc. For more information, see his website here [www.iafric.net/benin](http://www.iafric.net/benin).

He is native of a French speaking country and has very good knowledge of English (written and spoken).

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Elected member (civil society representative) of Brazilian Internet Steering Committee (CGIBr) - [www.cgi.br](http://www.cgi.br)  
Member of the Working Group on Internet Governance in CGIBr  
Member of Advisory Committee of Brazilian System of Digital TV (SBTVD) - <http://sbtvd.cpqd.com.br>  
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### Jeanette Hofmann

Jeanette Hofmann is a researcher at the Social Science Research Center Berlin with a focus on the interface of politics and technology. She came across Internet Governance at a time when the term didn't yet exist and the Net was still run by engineers. A case study on the IETF and the development of IPv6 in the mid 1990's constituted her first practical experience with decision-making procedures on the Net. A few years later ICANN was founded, and she became involved both as a researcher and as an "At Large Membership" activist.

In 2000, she was a European candidate in ICANN's first and only online election. In the following year, she participated in an NGO and Academic Study Group (NAIS) which produced a number of proposals. In fall 2003 Jeanette Hofmann joined the WSIS Civil Society Internet Governance Caucus. Throughout 2004 and 2005 she served, together with Adam Peake, as co-coordinator of the IG caucus. During the same period, she was a member of the German delegation to the World Summit representing the German WSIS civil society coordination group (WKK).

Jeanette Hofmann publishes articles on Internet Governance, and gives talks on this subject.

### Mr. Wangi Chango

Mawaki graduated in Philosophy (1995) and Political Science (1996), and is preparing a Ph.D. in the field of Information policy and Internet governance.

He has been actively involved in the WSIS process, notably as a member of the first Cabinet that steered the African civil society Caucus, its participation in the summit, and its structuring as a network of civil society organizations also known as ACSIS (African Civil Society for the Information Society).

Mr. Chango is currently a member of the ICANN's Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council, representing the Non-Commercial Users Constituency. In that structure, he is involved in policy development issues regarding new generic TLDs and also as a member of the Task Force examining the contractual conditions of the existing gTLDs with ICANN. The GNSO is also the ICANN body where policy issues pertaining to the internationalization of the domain names (IDNs) are discussed.

After completing one-semester online training with DIPLO's capacity-building programme on Internet governance, he was awarded a UN Fellowship for his outstanding accomplishment, whereby he assisted the Secretariat of the Working Group on the Internet Governance (WGIG) with its ultimate consultations, and the preparation and drafting of the WGIG's final report, in June 2005.

Mr. Chango has been a professional engaged with reflection and activities over development applications of information and communication technologies (ICT) since 1997. He worked with organizations such as UNESCO in the Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo, EvalNet in Johannesburg, etc. His activities included, among others: Survey and baseline study on ICT indicators and deployment in Africa, Community telecentre or Multimedia Centre projects, Publication of development electronic libraries on CD-Rom in the public domain, Distance education course on Community telecentres implementation and management (using WorldSpace's satellite Afristar, digital radio and software package).

He has an excellent command of French and English, and he is fluent in Portuguese.

### Milton Mueller

Milton Mueller, Ph.D. (U. Pennsylvania, 1989), is Professor at the Syracuse University School of Information Studies, where he directs its Graduate Program in Telecommunications and Network Management.

Dr. Mueller has expertise in both the analysis of Internet policy/politics/economics and in its practical governance. His book "Ruling the Root: Internet Governance and the Taming of Cyberspace" (MIT Press, 2002) was a favorably reviewed and prescient overview of the key political issues of IG. He is one of the founding members of ICANN's Noncommercial Users Constituency and has been elected by its members to serve as Chair and on various Councils and Task Forces making ICANN policy. He served on the U.S. National Academy of Sciences study "Internet Governance and the Domain Name System." He has been spoken before the ITU on IPv6 and other Internet governance issues, and published scholarly articles on DNS economics, ENUM, domain name trademark disputes, WSIS civil society and international institutions in ICT.

### Parminder Jeet Singh

Parminder Jeet Singh is an Executive Director of IT for Change –a Bangalore based NGO ([www.ITforChange.net](http://www.ITforChange.net)), which has been active in the WSIS process, advocating for the priorities of the South. He spent nearly a decade in government, where he initiated innovative e-governance solutions. During this time, in 2001, he co-authored the book, "Government@Net: E-governance opportunities for India" (Sage Publications). Subsequently, he has worked with many ICTD field projects, as well as in policy research and advocacy related to information society issues. He was the lead researcher and author of the case studies from India that were part of the input into the deliberations of the WSIS Task Force on Financial Mechanisms. He has also presented papers on the role of the public sector and local governments in ICTD in the preparatory conferences and in the regional WSIS processes. He led the civil society response to the 'Regional Action Plan' of the Asia Pacific Regional WSIS Conference. Parminder also participated in the WSIS process as a part of the 'Informal Coalition on Financing' (a group of 7 NGOs), that made a number of contributions to process.

Parminder recently co-authored a research paper on the "Political Economy of the Information Society: A Southern View". At present, he is leading a research project for developing a roadmap for re-structuring government institutions in India for taking the benefits of e-governance to the poor. He is also working on an ICT and gender policy framework for Asia Pacific countries for UNDP. Parminder is also the coordinator of a UNDP-funded field project, which aims to bring new ICTs to disadvantaged rural women, and co-coordinator of IT for Change's research and advocacy project -'Information Society for the South' - which is an inter-regional partnership.

Parminder's interest in Internet Governance is in making this important area accessible to development actors in the South, and in enabling these actors to engage with the gamut of issues in this area – from infrastructure and access to information, content and services - for influencing global and national Internet policies. Towards this, he has been active in pushing development agenda in the WSIS process and after, through the Internet Governance Caucus and other civil society forums.

### Paul Byron Wilson

Since August 1998, Paul Wilson has been Director-General of APNIC, the Regional Internet Registry (RIR) for the Asia Pacific region. In this time he has overseen the rapid growth of the organisation and its development into a well-respected institution of the Asia Pacific Internet community. He has attended countless meetings of (among others) RIRs, IETF, ICANN, ISOC, and Asia Pacific regional Internet bodies; he has made many presentations on a variety of topics relating to APNIC activities; and he has contributed as a member of numerous formal and informal committees and boards. He is currently an Executive Council member of the Number Resource Organisation (NRO), the coalition of all RIRs; a member of the Board of the Asia Pacific Internet Association (APIA); and a member of the Advisory Council of the Internet Society (ISOC).

Paul has been involved with Internet networking for over 16 years. In 1990, he was a founding staff member at Pegasus Networks, one of the first independent ISPs in Australia. He served initially as Technical Director and later as Chief Executive Officer of that company. Over an eight-year period at Pegasus he also worked on a range of Internet development activities as a consultant to the International Research Development Centre (IDRC), United Nations and international agencies. From 1994, he worked regularly with the IDRC on its Pan-Asia Networking (PAN) programme, supporting Internet connectivity and applications projects in at least 10 developing countries. He served for 5 years as a member of the Council of the Association for Progressive Communications, and for 2 as a member of the APC Executive Board.

### Qusai AlShatti

As deputy chairman of Kuwait Information Technology Society (KITS), I have participated in the WSIS as part of the civil society in WSIS. I have joined the IGC, and my participation in it reflected in developing a good detailed understanding of Internet governance and its related issues. I am also a member in the privacy and security group (Part of IGC) and I have participated in their activities and delivered their intervention in phase II preproc II.

My participation in the WSIS Preprocms and the Summit allowed reflected in being a consultant to several stakeholders in the Arab World (Governments, Private sectors and Civil Society) on the Issue of Internet governance. Part of that was convincing them on the importance of the Civil Society role in the WSIS and making them adopting the WGIG reporting as a base for a position on Internet Governance. As a result of a team effort, Civil Society became a key player in drafting Information Society strategies in Arab countries I worked for as a consultant. A step that was unprecedented before.

On national level, I have worked with both government and private sector to improve the Internet service and increase the Internet penetration level, thus allowing more people to access the Internet by reducing service cost, providing higher bandwidth, and open that for several ISPs. I have participated in lobbying and raising awareness on copyright issues, an effort that successfully concluded with passing the copyrights law in Kuwait. Furthermore, I have participated in organizing the management of Kuwait TLD and establishing regulatory procedures for it.

### Rikke Frank Joergensen

Rikke Frank Joergensen is employed as Special Adviser at The Danish Institute for Human Rights working with national human rights protection. She was adviser to the Danish Delegation to the World Summit on the Information Society (2003-2005) and is co-coordinator of the WSIS civil society human rights caucus. In 2000 she co-founded the Danish NGO Digital Rights, and is currently on their board. She also serves on the board of European Digital Rights, and the Advisory Board of Privacy International. Rikke has authored a number of articles and presentations on human rights implications of the information society, and is editor of the forthcoming "Human Rights in the Global Information Society" (MIT Press May 2006).

Rikke has previously been employed as a special adviser in the Danish Ministry of Science and Technology, dealing with the social impacts of information technology. Rikke holds a Master in Information Science and a European Master in Human Rights and Democratization, specializing in Internet and freedom of expression.

### Robert Guerra

- Expert in Information Society Issues; NGO Advisor to Canadian Government Delegation & focal point for North America and Europe at the recent UN World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)
- Specialist in Internet Security and Secure communications; Five years experience advising and training Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) on issues such as secure communications, network security and virtual collaboration.
- Solid knowledge and research of concepts on Internet Governance, Information Society, Internet Security, Privacy & Data Protection, Cybercrime, Encryption, Human Rights and Free & Open Source Software
- Excellent communication skills; Experienced multilingual public speaker, Press Interviews, Speaking engagements, TV & Radio.
- Team player with a flexible, positive approach to collaboration.

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Universidad de Navarra, (Pamplona, Spain), 1991- 1996  
Completed 5 years of the M.D. program  
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Intensive course in Spanish; Certificate in Spanish proficiency  
University of Western Ontario, (London, Canada), 1984-1988  
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- Managing Director, Privaterra
- Toronto & Vancouver, 9/04 - Present
- Security & Technology Consultant
- Toronto, Ontario (Canada), 2/01 – Present
- DiploFoundation, Internet Governance Capacity Building Programme ,
- Advisor, Malta & Geneva, 4/2006 - Present
- Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility (CPSR),
- Board of Directors Palo Alto, California (USA), 6/2001 – Present
- UN World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS),
- Civil Society advisor to and member of Canadian Government Delegation, 2/2005-11/2005
- UN World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS),
- Civil Society Bureau (CSB)Geneva (Switzerland), 2/03 – Present
- Civil Society focal point & Representative for North American & European Region
- Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility (CPSR),
- Director – Privaterra Project Palo Alto, California (USA), 10/2001 – 9/2004
- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS),
- Consultant and Technical advisor
- Secure NGO backup project, Washington, D.C. (USA), 11/01 – 9/03
- Civil Society advisor to the Information Society (WSIS),
- Civil Society advisor to and member of Canadian Government Delegation, 2/2005-3/2005
- The Copyrights Foundation, Director, Toronto, Ontario (Canada) , 2/01– 7/01

### Robin D. Gross

ROBIN D. GROSS is an attorney in San Francisco, California. She is the Founder and Executive Director of IP JUSTICE an international civil liberties organization that promotes balanced intellectual property law and protects freedom of expression ([www.ipjustice.org](http://www.ipjustice.org)). Ms. Gross advises policy makers throughout the world on the impact of intellectual property rules in national legislatures, international treaties, and trade agreements.

Ms. Gross teaches international copyright law at Santa Clara University, where she also serves as a member of the Santa Clara University School of Law High Technology Legal Advisory Board. Ms. Gross regularly lectures at international seminars, law schools, and universities on cyberspace legal issues including digital copyright, fair use, and other Internet legal issues.

Ms. Gross is a Council Member of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Policy Council, representing the Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC). Ms. Gross was selected by WSIS Civil Society to speak before the WSIS General Assembly in Tunis in 2005 and she chaired two parallel events at the Tunis Summit. She also spoke at the 2003 WSIS Summit in Geneva at a parallel event organized by the Heinrich Boell Foundation on communication rights and human rights. Ms. Gross is a participant of the WSIS Patent, Copyright, and Trademarks (PCT) Working Group and the WSIS Human Rights Caucus.

She sits on the Board of Directors for the Union for the Public Domain, a nonprofit organization in Washington, D.C. that is dedicated to protecting the public domain ([www.public-domain.org](http://www.public-domain.org)). And she is on the Advisory Boards of Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility-Peru (CPSR-Peru) and of FreeMuse, an international organization based in Copenhagen that advocates freedom of expression for musicians and composers worldwide ([www.freemuse.org](http://www.freemuse.org)).

In July 2004 Managing Intellectual Property Magazine named Ms. Gross as one of "2004's Top 50 Most Influential People in Intellectual Property in the World." She testified before the US Copyright Office during the 2003 and 2000 Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) Rulemaking Hearings. California's legal newspaper "The Daily Journal" selected Ms. Gross as one of "California's Top Ten Most Influential Attorneys in 2001". She has appeared as a guest legal expert on TV and radio news stations including CNN, BBC, NPR, PRI, Tech TV, NHK, DRS, VOA, and CBC. Ms. Gross has been quoted in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, USA Today, Business Week, Wired News, Associated Press, Reuters, Financial Times, Billboard and other media outlets.

Before founding IP JUSTICE in 2002, Ms. Gross was the first Staff Attorney for Intellectual Property with cyber-liberties organization the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF), where she began the group's campaign in intellectual property issues in 1999 ([www.eff.org](http://www.eff.org)).

A graduate of Santa Clara University's High Technology Law Program, Ms. Gross is licensed to practice law in California. In 1997 she co-founded VIRTUAL RECORDINGS one of the first digital music websites with her musician husband. A Michigan native, she graduated from Michigan State University's James Madison College in 1995 with degrees in political philosophy and international relations.

### William Drake

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Over the past 25 years, he has worked on the global governance of ICT and the Internet as an academic, foreign policy think tank analyst, consultant, and civil society activist. He has published and spoken widely on related issues, including international regulatory regimes, technical standardization, networked international trade and global electronic commerce, human rights, the global digital divide and development, and the role of civil society organizations in national and global ICT governance processes. In recent years, he has given many presentations advocating global public interest positions in such forums as the UNICT Task Force, the ITU, the OECD, and UNCTAD; made many oral interventions in the WSIS preprocms and WGIG open consultations; and been an active participant in the WGIG's deliberations, research, and writing. In these and other contexts, he was an early and consistent advocate of a broad approach to Internet governance and the creation of an IGF, and often has worked closely and effectively with representatives of governments, international organizations, and the private sector—including when their positions were at odds with those of civil society. He joined the civil society Internet Governance Caucus (IGC) in June 2003 and has played an active role in the group's development and work since then, including by leading the drafting of a number of joint texts.

<sup>1</sup> In the first round the chair neglected to indicate that votes needed to be whole votes, so one voting member split one vote into 3 1/3 votes.