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Chair, Board of Directors Mr Steve Crocker
Appointed new President & CEO Mr Goran Marby
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ICANN 56 Meeting in Helsinki, Finland

Invitation

I would like to congratulate the ICANN board for choosing Helsinki as the ICANN 56 meeting location! It is also my great pleasure to congratulate Mr Göran Marby for the appointment of ICANN's next President and CEO.

I am very happy about the ICANN board's decision to choose Finland, Helsinki and the Finlandia Hall as the ICANN 56 meeting venue. I would like to extend the ICANN board and new President an invitation for a meeting in Finland during the ICANN 56. For me the best suitable time could be on Tuesday, June 28th a.m. We can of course arrange another possible time during your stay in Helsinki if this is unsuitable.

At the meeting, we could discuss recent developments of internet governance, the status of transition of the stewardship of the Internet Assigned Names and Numbers Authority to an international multi-stakeholder community and ICANN's plans in near future. I would be also happy to inform you about the governmental key project of growth environment for digital business environment in Finland. Digitalisation is one of the key priorities of our government programme and we have made commitments to promote digitalisation by creating favourable conditions for adoption of new technologies. Concerning your visit, I would be pleased to know if you have any particular wishes.

I would be delighted if you could accept this invitation. We look forward to welcoming you to Finland.

Yours sincerely,



Anne Berner
Minister of Transport and Communications