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MEDIA RELEASE

AUSTRALIAN HONOURED IN INAUGURAL INTERNET HALL OF FAME

The Internet Society of Australia is pleased to announce that Australia's Geoff Huston has been recognised amongst the international pioneers of the global Internet.

“As a founding Director of ISOC-AU and one of the technologists responsible for installing the original Internet connectivity into and across Australia, Geoff Huston's contribution is well known to us in Australia,” said Narelle Clark in Geneva for the INET conference today. “To see him recognised in such a prestigious global forum, amongst all the other luminaries, is a testament to his impact across the globe.” “Since its inception Geoff has been part of the Internet's growth within Australia, both in the university and private sector, as well as leading research and network monitoring activities that are acknowledged for their impact worldwide. We, in the Australian Chapter of the Internet Society, are truly proud of and thankful for his many contributions.”

Geoff is listed amongst the Hall of Fame inductees at:
<http://www.internethalloffame.org/inductees/geoff-huston>

The awards were part of the 20th birthday celebrations for the global Internet Society, attended by many of the pioneers noted for their inventions enabling the Internet today. Represented by its President, Narelle Clark, also serving on the Board of Trustees, and its Treasurer, Paul Brooks, the Australian Chapter was also recognised as one of the founding chapters of the Internet Society.

The Internet Society of Australia is a non-profit society founded in 1996 to promote Internet development in Australia for the whole community, representing the interests of Internet users, builders and researchers in Australia.
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Internet Hall of Fame Inductees Honoured at Historic First Annual Awards Ceremony in Geneva, Switzerland

Internet Society celebrates inductees' landmark achievements at Global INET 2012

Launches new website to highlight Internet Hall of Fame,

www.internethalloffame.org

[Washington, D.C. and Geneva, Switzerland – 23 April 2012] – The names of the inaugural Internet Hall of Fame inductees were announced today at the Internet Society's Global INET 2012 conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Internet pioneers and luminaries from around the world gathered at the conference to mark the Internet Society's 20th anniversary, and attend an Awards Gala to honor the following 2012 inductees:

Pioneers Circle

Recognizing individuals who were instrumental in the early design and development of the Internet: Paul Baran, Vint Cerf, Danny Cohen, Steve Crocker, Donald Davies, Elizabeth Feinler, Charles Herzfeld, Robert Kahn, Peter Kirstein, Leonard Kleinrock, John Klensin, Jon Postel, Louis Pouzin, and Lawrence Roberts.

Innovators

Recognizing individuals who made outstanding technological, commercial, or policy advances and helped to expand the Internet's reach: Mitchell Baker, Tim Berners-Lee, Robert Cailliau, Van Jacobson, Lawrence Landweber, Paul Mockapetris, Craig Newmark, Raymond Tomlinson, Linus Torvalds, and Philip Zimmermann.

Global Connectors

Recognizing individuals from around the world who have made significant contributions to the global growth and use of the Internet: Randy Bush, Kilnam Chon, Al Gore, Nancy Hafkin, Geoff Huston, Brewster Kahle, Daniel Karrenberg, Toru Takahashi, and Tan Tin Wee.

Commenting on the 2012 Internet Hall of Fame inductees, Internet Society president and CEO Lynn St. Amour stated, "This historic assembly of Internet visionaries, innovators, and leaders represents an extraordinary breadth of vision and work. While the inductees have extremely diverse backgrounds and represent many different countries, each individual has an incredible passion for their work. We all benefit from their outstanding contributions to a global Internet, making it one of the greatest catalysts of economic and societal development of all time."

In conjunction with the announcement, the Internet Society has launched a website at www.internethalloffame.org that will showcase the inductees and their contributions on an ongoing basis. The website, which includes inductee photographs and biographies, will feature an exclusive column series authored by Wired. Highlighting multiple inductees each month in Q&A interviews, the first interview will feature Internet Hall of Fame Pioneer Vint Cerf.

About the Internet Hall of Fame

The Internet Hall of Fame is an annual awards program that has been established by the Internet Society to publicly recognize a distinguished and select group of leaders and luminaries who have made significant contributions to the development and advancement of the global Internet.

More information on the program can be found at:

www.internethalloffame.org.

About the Internet Society

The Internet Society is the trusted independent source for Internet information and thought leadership from around the world. With its principled vision and substantial technological foundation, the Internet Society promotes open dialogue on Internet policy, technology, and future development among users, companies, governments, and other organizations. Working with its members and Chapters around the world, the Internet Society enables the continued evolution and growth of the Internet for everyone. For more information, see: <http://www.internetsociety.org>

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