Leslie Daigle

Collaborative Leader

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I bring people together to solve problems and deliver coherent, innovative, on-point results. I have led corporate technology teams, cross-industry institutions and industry volunteer efforts to achieve results with global impact.

I am driven to figure technical and organizational systems out, reduce confusion and disorganization, to identify opportunities and enable groups of people to achieve great things. I have repeatedly built organizations and teams, introduced innovative ideas, and led people to see things in a new light.

I believe in collaboration as the means to achieve the impossible.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Executive leadership
- Strategic vision and planning
- Project management
- Public leadership – leading organizations to public consensus
- Management of strong creative developers
- Deep Internet industry expertise and connections
- Comprehensive understanding of Internet technology, standards and operations
- Published author and invited public speaker
- Global experience
- Non-profit and corporate experience

EMPLOYMENT

Thinking Cat Enterprises
***Principal**: May 2014 – present*
Collaboration and clarity: The business landscape changes quickly in technology industries, and help is needed to illuminate trends and enable cross-industry action.

- Independent consultant: proposed, landed and executed projects to work with experts from across the networking industry to gain agreement on how to address, in a collaborative fashion, timely topics such as Internet video, routing security and network measurements
  - Funded research projects – Network Operator Measurement Activity (NOMA); survey of operator use and support of Open Source Software
  - Co-organized *You Are Not Alone (YANA)* – a cross-industry video networking technology workshop and related meetings. See http://yana.techark.org.
  - Commissioned to write survey papers on the state of the Internet and its governance
- As IETF Administrative Oversight Committee Chair (volunteer appointment), provided community leadership as the Internet's standards organization, the IETF, embarked on another organizational review.

Internet Society
***Chief Internet Technology Officer (CITO)**: September 2007 – May 2014*
Organizational leadership: When I joined the Internet Society, the mission-driven, not-for-profit organization was not equipped to provide leadership in addressing the significant technical issues increasingly stifling the Internet's development.

- As the organization's first Chief Internet Technology Officer, I built and led a team of highly skilled experts

- Visibly successful activities of the team included the World IPv6 Day and World IPv6 Launch, which changed the course of IPv6 deployment, globally, and put the Internet Society organization on the map of go-to organizations to foster Internet-supporting technical industry action.
- Reporting to the CEO, developed and delivered, on budget, the organization's annual technology strategy
- Provided public face for ISOC's technology positions – social media, traditional media, public speaking

Cisco Systems
Corporate Consulting Engineer: *June 2005 – September 2007*
and
VeriSign
Director, Directory Research: *June 2001 – May 2005*
While contributing to these Internet industry tech giants' technical business activities, I was also supported in contributing time to the Internet's standardization organization, the IETF. I was selected by the IETF's NomCom for 4 consecutive two-year terms on the Internet Architecture Board (IAB), and was elected chair of that board for 5 of those years.

Organizational structure and public leadership: In the early 2000's, the Internet Engineering Task Force was at a critical juncture of its growth, and was being held back by the ad hoc support for its administration.

- I worked from my role as Chair of the Internet Architecture Board to lead the organization to public consensus to create and operate its own administrative support – taking responsibility for all expenses, contracting and growth of the organization.

Complete professional history available at:
http://www.thinkingcat.com/wordpress/lesliedaigle/leslie-daigle-detailed-cv/

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS, PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING

Details of professional community contributions to advisory committees, boards, and standards development : http://www.thinkingcat.com/wordpress/extracurricular/ .
Itemized publications and appearances: http://www.thinkingcat.com/wordpress/pubs/ .

Recent highlights

- "The Internet Invariants: The properties are constant, even as the Internet is changing", whitepaper providing a comprehensive review of the state of the Internet as a platform for innovation by Leslie Daigle. Forthcoming.
- Member, Advisory Board for Norwich University's Master of Science, Information Security and Assurance (MSISA) (April 2015 –).

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND, CONTINUING TRAINING

Degrees

MSc: Computer Science, University of Guelph, Guelph, Canada (1991).
BSc: Math and Computer Science, Great Distinction, McGill University, Montreal, Canada (1988).

Other

PhD work: Computer Science, McGill University, Montreal, Canada. Comprehensive exams passed; completion of research work deferred in favour of opportunities at an exciting Internet company.

Executive leadership class: *"Leading for Organizational Impact: The Looking Glass Experience (LOI)"*, from the Center for Creative Leadership. (May 2011).