

LESLIE DAIGLE

Chief Technical Officer | Internet Infrastructure & Security Strategy | Board & Public Leadership

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Mission-driven technology executive with 25+ years leading Internet infrastructure, security, and standards strategy at global institutions and industry-facing nonprofits. Known for spotting the pattern others miss and translating it into a clear, principled vision for what comes next — then building the deep, durable trust with key stakeholders that turns that vision into funded, sustainable programs. Repeatedly elected to lead standards and governance bodies by the same communities served over decades, a reflection of relationships built on follow-through rather than reach. Widely published, in-demand keynote speaker, and podcast co-host exploring technology's real-world consequences.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Executive & Board Leadership	Technology Strategy & Governance	Internet Infrastructure Security
P&L / Program Sustainability	Team Building & Talent Development	Public Consensus-Building
Standards Development (IETF)	Crisis-Ready, Ambiguity Navigation	Thought Leadership & Public Speaking

BOARD & GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP

- NANOG — Board Member (2022–present); elected **Chair of the Board** (2023–present)
- Internet Architecture Board (IAB) — Elected member, 4 consecutive terms; Chair for 5 years (2001–2007)
- IETF Administrative Oversight Committee — Chair (volunteer); led community consensus through organizational review
- Advisory Board, Norwich University MS in Information Security & Assurance (2015–2020)
- Research Advisory Network, Global Commission on Internet Governance (2014–2016)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief Technical Officer & Director, Internet Integrity Program — *Global Cyber Alliance* 2021 – Present

Not-for-profit organization dedicated to a secure and trustworthy Internet.

- Built and launched a global program addressing Internet infrastructure security threats, including domain-name abuse and routing-system security, leading a team of 6 direct reports
- Designed and executed a sustainability plan that has raised \$500K–\$1M annually in program funding, scaling the initiative for long-term growth
- Previously Global Technology Officer (2020–2021): led GCA's technology and development function; served as product owner for its IoT honeyfarm project

Principal — *Thinking Cat Enterprises* 2014 – Present

Independent consultancy helping cross-industry groups turn technology trends into coordinated action.

- Landed and delivered funded research and advisory engagements on Internet video, routing security, and network measurement
- Co-organized “You Are Not Alone” (YANA), a cross-industry video-networking workshop series; co-chaired the IETF Media Operations (MOPS) Working Group
- Commissioned to author survey papers on the state of the Internet and its governance

Co-Founder & Co-Host — *TechSequences Podcast* 2020 – Present

- Grew the show to 100+ episodes examining technology's intended and unintended consequences, with guest experts on topics spanning AI, mis/disinformation, and digital identity

Chief Internet Technology Officer (CITO) — *Internet Society* 2007 – 2014

First person to hold this role; built the organization's technical leadership function from the ground up.

- Recruited and led a team of senior technical experts, reporting directly to the CEO

- Directed World IPv6 Day and World IPv6 Launch, catalyzing global IPv6 deployment and establishing ISOC as a go-to convener for Internet-supporting technical action
- Owned annual technology strategy and budget; served as the organization's public face on technology policy across media, conferences, and policy venues

Corporate Consulting Engineer — *Cisco Systems*

2005 – 2007

Director, Directory Research — *VeriSign*

2001 – 2005

- Balanced core technical business responsibilities with elected community leadership at the IETF (see Board & Governance Leadership)
- As IAB Chair, led the IETF to public consensus to create and fund its own independent administrative support organization

Executive Vice President & CTO — *Rattlenote Technologies*

1999 – 2001

- Technology co-founder/partner in an Internet-technology startup, Montreal

VP, Research & Development; Board Member — *Bunyip Information Systems*

1992 – 1999

- Progressed from part-time developer (while completing graduate studies) to leading the company's technology development teams; joined the Board in 1998

SELECTED SPEAKING & PUBLICATIONS

- APNIC 60 Keynote, “Strengthening Internet Integrity: Collaborative Solutions for Cybersecurity Challenges” (Sept. 2025)
- ARIN 55 Keynote, “Strengthening Internet Integrity — Collaborative Solutions for Cybersecurity Challenges” (Apr. 2025)
- Co-presenter, “The Non-Social Distanced Reality of the Internet of Things,” RSA Conference (2022)
- Author, “Network Operators Open Source Software Survey Report” whitepaper (2021)
- Author, “The Internet Invariants: The properties are constant, even as the Internet is changing” (2019)

Full lists: [community contributions](#) • [publications & appearances](#)

EDUCATION

- MSc, Computer Science — University of Guelph, Canada (1991)
- BSc, Mathematics & Computer Science, Great Distinction — McGill University, Canada (1988)
- PhD coursework, Computer Science — McGill University; comprehensive exams passed, dissertation deferred for industry opportunity
- Executive Education: “Leading for Organizational Impact” (Looking Glass Experience), Center for Creative Leadership (2011)