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Internet Governance | Online Harms | Internet Security | Internet Policy

Employment

Public Interest Registry | 2021 - Present

Executive Director - NetBeacon Institute

The NetBeacon Institute is a project of Public Interest Registry dedicated to the reduction of online harms. As Executive Director I am ultimately responsible for all Institute activity. This includes our overall strategy, the planning and execution of initiatives, as well as budgets, and hiring. The Institute has quickly become recognized as a global leader in the work against DNS Abuse. The Institute operates NetBeacon Reporter, a free service built to simplify and improve abuse reporting and which enables the disruption of hundreds of thousands of phishing websites a year. NetBeacon also offers MAP, a robust and transparent project to measure the prevalence of abusive domain names widely regarded as the leading effort of its kind.

Tucows Inc | 2011 - 2021

Head of Policy | 2019 - 2021

Director of Policy & Analytics | 2017 - 2019

Manager of Policy | Manager of Analytics | 2014 - 2017

Data Analyst | 2011 - 2014

I started at Tucows as an analyst on the data team and relatively quickly picked up a small but increasing portfolio of policy-related responsibilities. This primarily meant participating in ICANN and Internet governance efforts but expanded to include overseeing our policy and government affairs efforts in the mobile and fixed internet industries, as well as managing relationships with government, law enforcement, and industry partners. I also built and managed Tucows' data practice. This included a team of analysts and data engineers ensuring information was accurate, timely, and valuable.

eHealth Ontario | 2006 - 2011

Business Analyst

eHealth Ontario was an arms-length agency of the provincial Ministry of Health engaged in the application of the Internet to the health sector. I primarily worked on two main web portals for health care providers that hosted information and applications and assessing tools for emergency health notifications for the entire province.

Boards & Organizations

Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) | 2023 - Present

Vice-Chair | May 2026

CIRA is the operator of the top level domain for Canada, .ca, as well as a provider of registry services to other TLDs, DNS services to operators, and cybersecurity services to organizations across the country. I have sat on the Community Investment, Policy & Advocacy Committee (CIPAC), as well as the Security and Stability Community, which I currently chair. Elected as board Vice-Chair mid-term in May 2026.

Registrar Stakeholder Group (RrSG) | 2016 - 2020

Chair

The RrSG is the organization that represents all ICANN accredited domain registrars within ICANN Internet governance spaces. I was twice elected Chair by my registrar peers, and led the organization's work on the IANA transition, and through the regulatory crisis precipitated by the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). I was also responsible for the creation of RrSG working groups, including the DNS Abuse WG.

Internet Infrastructure Coalition (I2C) | 2016 - 2022

Board Chair | 2021 - 2022

I2C is an industry association for companies that provide the infrastructure that makes the Internet function. It provides guidance, education, and lobbying efforts on behalf of members. As a board member, I provided strategic guidance on issues of Internet governance, technology policy, and the future of the organization. In addition to advising on lobbying efforts throughout the year, I also participated periodically in in-person meetings, including annual meetings on Capitol Hill.

Education

Victoria College, University of Toronto | 2000-2005 | Toronto, ON, Canada
Honours Bachelor of Arts in Political Science