

# From JPNIC

Dear Readers,

The biggest movement around JPNIC since the last issue (Issue 60) is the IANA stewardship transition. Triggered by the announcement by the US Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) of its intent to transition the stewardship of the IANA function in March 2014, the proposal for the post-transition framework from the Operational Communities of three IANA resources (Names, Numbers and Protocol Parameters) was finally compiled by the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG). The proposal should have been approved by the ICANN Board of Directors during the ICANN meeting in Dublin, Ireland in October 2015 and submitted to NTIA as well. However, due to the timing of the publication process, the story cannot be covered this issue but will be reported on in detail in the next issue.

In this Issue 61, "Special Article 1" features Internet Week 2015, which is coincident with this issue. Internet Week is an annual Internet technical conference held by JPNIC. The theme for Internet Week 2015 is "Hand in hand over the hurdles." It seems as though it becomes more and more difficult to share information and collaborate among layers, communities and generations as the structure of the Internet becomes more complex. The message of operating the Internet hand in hand over the hurdles has been incorporated into this year's Internet Week.

"A Scene on the Internet History" features the establishment of JANOG (Japan Network Operators' Group). JANOG was established in November 1997 at the JANOG1 meeting. 18 years have passed since then, and JANOG now has more than 7,000 members, which

makes it the largest network operators community in Japan. Read some untold stories behind JANOG's establishment.

"Introducing JPNIC Member" focuses on JPNIC members engaged in interesting activities. This time we introduce Nifty Corporation, a long-established ISP. Nifty launched its business before the Internet became popular, starting out as a Bulletin Board Service called Nifty-Serve. Nifty-Serve provided "forums" where users with shared interest communicated with one another. While shifting its focus from PC communications to the Internet, it continues to deploy communication-focused services based on its philosophy "With us, You can". It represents that "It is our job to help customers accomplish what they want to do."

"Internet Terms in Ten Minutes" picks up "Wi-Fi up-to-date" which has been attracting attention ahead of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

This issue also covers reports from the JPNIC General Meeting, ICANN 53 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, IETF 93 in Prague, Czech Republic and "Japanese Generation Panel (JGP)" for the root-zone label generation rules, as well as the release of the English version of "History of Internet Resources Management in Japan – Focusing on Domain Name and IP Address".

We do hope this Newsletter proves useful to a lot of readers. If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to contact us at [jpnic-news@nic.ad.jp](mailto:jpnic-news@nic.ad.jp). Your input is always highly appreciated.