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**INTERNET SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE**

The Internet Society of Australia is pleased to announce the following appointments to its executive for 2015:

George Fong, President  
Paul Brooks, Vice-President  
Craig Ng, Honorary Treasurer  
Roger Clarke, Honorary Secretary.

This marks a renewed focus on Australian Internet issues. George Fong, a long-time advocate and successful provider of rural and regional Internet services, on taking the reins of President, said: "This country is grappling with significant issues, such as Internet surveillance, the challenges of fixed and mobile rural and regional access, parity in affordability and the prospect and hope of a properly architected NBN for the entire nation in the long term".

"The Internet Society is committed to providing an expert, rational and steady hand in pursuing and guiding these issues to their best possible outcomes for all sectors of the Australian community."

George went on to applaud predecessor Narelle Clark's leadership as President, saying: "Narelle is a really tough act to follow, and her performance and contributions continue to be outstanding, especially the vital work she is doing on the international stage."

George Fong is replaced in the role of Vice-President by Paul Brooks, a highly regarded Internet and communications services architect who has played a vital role in high-speed broadband services nationally and internationally.

The Society also welcomed Craig Ng back and as he rejoins the board after an earlier service to 2005. A long standing member, Craig is a former partner at Maddocks Lawyers, has served on the board of the auDA Foundation and is General Counsel at APNIC. His legal and commercial background, and long history of involvement in the Australian ICT sector and support for the Internet

Society will prove valuable as the Society works to help authorities and policy makers navigate through the increasingly complex legal and governance issues faced by Internet users and regulators in Australia.

## **About the Internet Society**

The Internet Society is the world's trusted independent source of leadership for Internet policy, technology standards and future development. Based on its principled vision and substantial technological foundation, the Internet Society works with its members and Chapters around the world to promote the continued evolution and growth of the open Internet through dialogue among companies, governments, and other organisations around the world. See [www.internetsociety.org](http://www.internetsociety.org)

The **Australian Chapter of the Internet Society** is ISOC-AU, a non-profit society founded in 1996, to promote Internet development in Australia for the whole community and is a peak body organisation, representing the interests of Internet users in Australia. See: [www.internet.org.au](http://www.internet.org.au)

**George Fong**  
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