DNSSEC Encryption Algorithm Agility

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DNSSEC Algorithms

- Used to generate keys for signing
 - DNSKEY
- Used in DNSSEC signatures
 - RRSIG
- Used for DS record for chain of trust
 - DS
- Used in validation of DNSSEC records



IANA Registry of DNSSEC Algorithm Numbers

http://www.iana.org/assignments/dns-sec-alg-numbers/dns-sec-alg-numbers.xhtml

| Number 0 | Description Reserved | Mnemonic |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | RSA/MD5 (deprecated) | RSAMD5 |
| 2 | Diffie-Hellman | DH |
| 3 | DSA/SHA1 | DSA |
| 4 | Reserved | DSA |
| 5 | RSA/SHA-1 | RSASHA1 |
| 6 | DSA-NSEC3-SHA1 | DSA-NSEC3-SHA1 |
| 7 | RSASHA1-NSEC3-SHA1 | RSASHA1-NSEC3-SHA1 |
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| 8 | RSA/SHA-256 | RSASHA256 |
| 9 | Reserved | DO A OLIA 540 |
| 10 | RSA/SHA-512 | RSASHA512 |
| 11 | Reserved | |
| 12 | GOST R 34.10-2001 | ECC-GOST |
| 13 | ECDSA Curve P-256 wSHA-256 | ECDSAP256SHA256 |
| 14 | ECDSA Curve P-384 wSHA-384 | ECDSAP384SHA384 |
| 15-122 | Unassigned | |
| 123-251 | Reserved | |
| 252 | Reserved for Indirect Keys | INDIRECT |
| 253 | private algorithm | PRIVATEDNS |
| 254 | private algorithm OID | PRIVATEOID |
| 255 | Reserved | |



Elliptic Curve DNSSEC Algorithms

ECDSA – RFC 6605 – April 2012

Under development:

- Ed25519:
 - draft-ietf-curdle-dnskey-ed25519
- Ed448
 - draft-sury-dnskey-ed448

(See "New Curves in DNSSEC" from ICANN 55)



Why Do We Care About Newer Algorithms?

Faster!

- Signing
- Validation

Smaller keys and signatures

- Packet size (and avoiding fragmentation)
- Minimizing potential reflection/DDoS attacks

Better cryptography

Move away from 1024-bit RSA



Aspects of Deploying New Algorithms

- Validation
- Signing / DNS Hosting Operators
- Registries
- Registrars
- Developers

(See ICANN 55 Marrakech DNSSEC Workshop archives for more information.)



Discussions To Date

- Mar 2016 ICANN 55 DNSSEC Workshop, Marrakech
- Apr 2016 DNS-OARC Workshop, Buenos Aires
- Apr 2016 IETF 95, Buenos Aires Discussion in CURDLE and DNSOP working groups
- May 2016 RIPE 72 session, Copenhagen
- Jun 2016 ICANN 56 DNSSEC Workshop, Helsinki

- Internet-Draft
 - draft-york-dnsop-deploying-dnssec-crypto-algs



Next Steps

- Help people understand value and need to support new algorithms
- Document these steps in a form that can be distributed (ex. Internet-draft)

 Need to start NOW as it will take several years to deploy...



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Thank You!

