

# AGENDA

ccNSO Council meeting 224

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## Resolutions

- **Resolution 224-01**

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to inform the previous and the current ccTLD manager that the ccNSO membership of the manager of .ly ended administratively at the completion of the transfer of management of .ly. The new manager General Authority of Communications and Informatics (GACI), is invited to become a member of the ccNSO. The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- **Resolution 224-02**

The ccNSO Council adopts the ccNSO Council Election Process report as proposed, including its recommendations, and formally confirms the election of the following persons: Sami Mohamed Ali (AP region), Chris Disspain (EU region), Alejandra Reynoso (LAC region), and Charles Noir (NA region). The term of the elected councillors starts at the end of the ccNSO Council in Mumbai (ICANN85).

The Council congratulates all elected candidates on their election and wholeheartedly thanks Boyoung Kim for standing as a candidate.

With the adoption of the Election Report, the Council Election Process for the EU/AP/LAC/NA regions is now closed.

The ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) is requested to review the Council Selection Process Guideline, taking into account the recommendations from the Selection Process Manager. The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution promptly and also to inform the GRC. The ccNSO Chair is requested to inform ICANN's Secretary of the election results in accordance with section 10.4(i) of the ICANN Bylaws. This decision takes effect upon publication.

- **Resolution 224-03**

The ccNSO Council appoints the following people to the respective roles as specified:

- Members of the following committees, study groups or working groups:

- Frederico Neves, .br - member RZERC
- Peter Koch, .de - member GRC
- Peter Koch, .de - member SOPC
- Ingabire Grace Mwikarago (.rw) - member MPC
- Member Study Group on IANA Public Records:
  - Declan McDermott, .ie
  - Eduardo Jose Tome Peralta, .hn
  - Gordon Dick, .uk
  - Jordan Carter, .au
  - Peter Koch, .de
  - Irina Danelia, .ru
  - Mo YANG, .cn
  - Chris Disspain, Council
  - Nigel Roberts, .gg
  - Svetlana Lobanova, .ru
- Member SOPC:
  - Mo Yang (.cn)
  - Nguyen Thi Thu Thuy (.vn)

The secretariat is requested to inform the leadership teams of the various working groups and

committees and persons appointed and enable their participation in the respective teams. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

## Action Items

- **Action Item 224-01**

ccNSO Secretariat to change the ccNSO Council email archive to be open to the public, allow read only subscribers to the mailing list and let the Council know when the changes have been implemented.

- **Action Item 224-02**

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to inform the previous and current ccTLD manager that the ccNSO membership of the manager of .ly ended.

- **Action Item 224-03**

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to inform the GRC to review the Council Selection Process Guideline, taking into account the recommendations from the Selection Process Manager.

- **Action Item 224-04**

The ccNSO Chair is requested to inform ICANN's Secretary of the election results in accordance with section 10.4(i) of the ICANN Bylaws.

- **Action Item 224-05**

The secretariat is requested to inform the leadership teams of the various working groups and committees and persons appointed, and enable their participation in the respective teams.

- **Action Item 224-06**

The secretariat to include the topic on “ccNSO participation in GNSO DNS Abuse PDPs” in the January 2026 Council meeting agenda.

- **Action Item 224-07**

The secretariat to include the topic on “Tech Day’s interpretation service” in the January 2026 Council meeting agenda.

## Attendees

### Africa

- Ali Hadji Mmadi, .km
- Biyi Oladipo, .ng (Vice-Chair)
- Molehe Wesi, .za

### Asia/Australia/Pacific

- Jordan Carter, .au (Vice-Chair)
- Ai-Chin Lu
- Jiankang Yao, .cn

### Europe

- Chris Disspain
- Peter Koch, .de
- Nigel Roberts, .jj, ge

### Latin America/ Caribbean

- Everton T. Rodrigues, .br
- Jenifer Lopez, .pa
- Alejandra Reynoso (Chair)

### North America

- Sean Copeland, .vi
- Vacant
- Pablo Rodriguez

### NomCom appointed Councillors

- Jaijit Bhattacharyya
- Olga Cavalli
- Wafa Dahmani

### Liaisons to ccNSO, appointed by ALAC and GNSO

- Nacho Amadoz, GNSO liaison to ccNSO Council
- Laura Margolis, ALAC liaison to ccNSO Council

### ICANN Staff

- Joke Braeken
- Bart Boswinkel
- Claudia Ruiz

### Invited Guests

- none

### Regional Organisations

- Barrack Otieno, AfTLD
- Phavanhna Douangboupha, APTLD
- Peter Van Roste, CENTR
- Rocio de la Fuente, LACTLD

## Apologies Received

Jordan Carter, Nigel Roberts and Sean Copeland sent their apologies.  
Jiankang Yao and Jaijit Bhattacharyya were absent without sending an apology.

## Background and supporting documents

- Council workspace for this meeting:  
<https://icann-community.atlassian.net/wiki/x/K4wIBg>
- ccNSO correspondence: statements and responses:  
<https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/statements.htm>

## Agenda

### ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

#### 1. **Welcome**

Welcome by Alejandra Reynoso, Council Chair.  
Alejandra noted there were no items for AOB.

##### *a. SOI updates*

Consult the [ccNSO SOI Guideline](#)  
Complete the SOI [template](#)  
Check the ccNSO [Statements of Interest](#)

No updates to SOIs

##### *b. Meeting quorum*

Claudia Ruiz, ccNSO Secretariat, noted that apologies had been received from Jordan Carter, Nigel Roberts and Sean Copeland. She also noted that the meeting was quorate.  
The Chair welcomed Nacho Amadoz GNSO liaison to the ccNSO.

#### 2. **Special Item: New ccNSO Website.**

The Chair commended the members of the ccNSO Website Steering Committee, Mike Takahashi and his team for all their hard work.

Mike Takahashi, ICANN staff, gave a brief tour of the new ccNSO website, the functions and how to search for content.

The group was formally closed by acclamation.

#### 3. **Relevant Correspondence**

#### 4. **Minutes & Action Items**

##### *a. Minutes Meeting 223*

Circulated to the Council mailing list on 05 December 2025.  
No questions or comments were raised. The 223rd minutes are confirmed.

##### *b. Action Items:*

The Chair noted all action items have been completed except the action item regarding the tracker from the previous meeting. That action item needs to be discussed further with ICANN and the other SOAC Chairs.

- **Action item 223-01**  
The Secretariat is requested to publish the Board Seat 11 Nomination Process report resolution as soon as possible and inform the GRC. **(Completed)**
- **Action item 223-02**  
The ccNSO Chair is requested to inform the Empowered Community Administration (ECA) and ICANN's Secretary of the Board Seat 11 Nomination results **(Completed)**
- **Action item 223-03**  
Following the adoption of the latest Board Seat 11 Nomination Report, the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) is requested to review the Board Nomination Process Guideline, taking into account the recommendations from the Nomination Process Manager. **(Pending GRC other work items, GRC was informed).**
- **Action item 223-04**  
The Secretariat is requested to inform the leadership teams of the various working groups and committees and persons appointed, and enable their participation in the respective teams. **(Completed)**
- **Action Item 223-05**  
The Secretariat is requested to schedule a call between Chris Disspain, Peter Koch, the DASC and Council leaderships to discuss the ccNSO participation in the GNSO PDP on DNS Abuse Mitigation and report back on the next council meeting. **(Completed)**

**5. Intermeeting Council Decisions (since meeting 223, November 2025)**

None

**6. Intermeeting Decisions Triage Committee since Council meeting 223**

The Chair noted the Meeting of the Triage Committee with DASC leadership and council members on participation in GNSO DNS Abuse PDPs. This item was discussed later in the agenda.

UPDATES

Written updates - if any - are published on the wiki space for this meeting.

**7. Update ECA & CSC (written updates)**

**8. Update Working Groups (written updates)**

- a. **ccPDP4-IDN (Dormant)**
- b. **DASC**
- c. **GRC**
- d. **IGLC**
- e. **MPC**

- f. OMC*
  - g. SOPC*
  - h. Tech WG*
  - i. TLD-OPS SC*
  - j. Triage Committee (reported)*
  - k. UAC*
  - l. CIP-CCG*
  - m. Planning Prioritization Process group*
  - n. RZERC*
  - o. RSS GWG*
- 9. Update Liaisons (written updates)**
- a. Update ccNSO Liaison to ALAC*
  - b. Update ccNSO Liaison to GNSO Council*

#### **10. Progress Board Consideration ccPDP4-IDN**

The Chair noted the caucus was meeting later that day and there wasn't any update for the time being.

Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO Secretariat, stated the caucus and staff was at the final section of the PDP.

#### **11. Progress CCG Review of Reviews**

Chris Disspain, RoR member, noted an email was sent out to the SOAC Chairs. There were five review buckets. A, Bylaw review, ATRT type review. B, Review of continuous improvement. C, Structural review, community boundaries. D, Review of reviews. E, Ad hoc review. The group will reconvene on the 6th of January.

#### **12. Progress "How we meet" CCG**

The Chair gave an update on behalf of Jodi Anderson, CCG member. Staff recently received approval from the CEO to start the implementation of all recommended actions. ICANN staff will get together to work on several implementation plans and they will share the information soon.

#### **13. Update Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councillors, Regional Organisations, Secretariat**

Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO Secretariat, noted a review of the ccNSO Council mailing list as part of a broader effort to centralize and clean up email list management. The Council list and its archive are private, with access limited to current councillors, observers, and liaisons, and access ends when individuals leave their roles.

The key question raised was whether to keep the archive restricted or make it publicly accessible, in order to improve transparency and accountability. Staff recommended making the archive public. A second question concerned whether the current mailing list should allow read-only observer subscriptions, similar to other ICANN lists.

Pablo Rodriguez, ccNSO Councillor, expressed full support for using the archive, stating that it would promote transparency and accountability and serve as an effective way to share information with those who did not have access to the mailing list.

Peter Koch and Ali Hadji Mmadi, ccNSO Councillors, both noted they did not have an objection with making the archive public and asked if anyone foreseen an issue with doing so.

Alejandra and Bart, explained that most Council discussions were already public, because the meetings recordings are posted and the ccNSO is transparent with the exception of the occasional closed or extraordinary meetings involving personal data which required care. Bart noted that such cases could be handled separately using individual emails.

The Council agreed that opening the archive was acceptable, with one abstention. The Council then agreed to allow read-only observer subscriptions to the mailing list. Bart Boswinkel confirmed that implementation details would be communicated once completed.

- **Action Item 224-01**

- ccNSO Secretariat to change the ccNSO Council email archive to be open to the public, allow read only subscribers to the mailing list and let the Council know when the changes have been implemented.

Biyi Oladipo, ccNSO Vice Chair, gave an update regarding the African Engagement Forum held the prior week in Accra. The ccNSO presented an overview of its role, current work, and key topics of interest to the wider community. Updates were also provided on the Coalition for Digital Africa and the Smart Africa project, noting ICANN's partnership and progress. Of particular relevance to the ccNSO were updates on assistance being provided to selected ccTLDs to support their sustainable structuring and operations. Overall, the meeting was described as successful and reinforced participants' commitment to the ICANN process and ecosystem.

## ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS & DECISIONS

### 14. ccNSO membership update

The Chair reminded that ccNSO memberships end administratively following the transfer of a ccTLD. The Secretariat was informed that management of .ly had been transferred, which resulted in the termination of the former ccTLD manager's ccNSO membership.

The ccNSO council resolved to request the secretariat to inform the previous and current ccTLD manager that the ccNSO membership of the manager of .ly ended. The resolution was moved by Pablo Rodriguez and seconded by Olga Cavalli. No questions or comments were raised.

- **Resolution 224-01**

- The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to inform the previous and the current ccTLD manager that the ccNSO membership of the manager of .ly ended administratively at the completion of the transfer of management of .ly. The new manager General Authority of Communications and Informatics (GACI), is invited to become a member of the ccNSO. The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.**

- **Action Item 224-02**

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## 15. Council Election 2026

### a. Progress Council Selection Process AF region

Joke Braeken, Election Process Manager, gave an update on the Selection process. Following the call for nominations, Ingabire Grace Mwikarago from Rwanda accepted her nomination and submitted all required documents on time. No irregularities or observations were noted. A procedural question was raised regarding whether to hold a candidate Q&A, as the Council-approved timeline from ICANN84 did not include a Q&A phase, even though it covered nominations, acceptance, and a potential election stage. The Council was asked to provide guidance on whether a Q&A should be organized.

Everton Rodrigues, ccNSO Councillor asked whether there were any timing constraints that would prevent holding a Q&A with the candidate. Joke Braeken, confirmed there were no restrictions and that a Q&A could be scheduled without impacting the election timeline. Everton Rodrigues indicated support for holding a Q&A if no conflicts existed.

Biyi Oladipo, ccNSO Vice Chair, questioned whether a Q&A was required to complete the election process and whether it was necessary given that only one candidate had been nominated. The Chair clarified that a Q&A was not mandatory and had sometimes been omitted in similar situations.

The Council agreed a Q&A was not necessary, with abstentions from Peter Koch and Molehe Wesi.

### b. Adoption Council Election Report

Joke Braeken, Election Process Manager, gave an update. The three-year terms of five Council members would end in March 2026 at the conclusion of ICANN85, and a call for nominations had been opened to fill those seats. Elections were held in the Asia-Pacific region, resulting in the selection of Sami Mohammed Ali, while candidates for the other regions were identified as follows: Europe, Chris Disspain, Latin America and the Caribbean, Alejandra Reynoso, and North America, Charles Noir. The election report was prepared, shared with Council members, and posted on the Council Wiki.

Joke Braeken listed four recommendations in the report directed at the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee, to review the ccNSO Council Selection Guideline to determine if they can:

1. Provide clearer guidance on the requirement for nominees to submit an Employer Letter of Support. (several questions from nominees)
2. Introduce flexibility regarding the submission deadline for nominees to submit supporting documentation. (example one nominee, with a week-long holiday for the country, had concerns about the timely submission of the Employer letter of support)
3. Clarify when nominees must (re)submit their Statement of Interest (SOI).
4. Specify procedures to follow if the quorum is not met.

The special Council selection process for the African region will be addressed in a separate report. The Council Election process 2025 will formally close 7 days after adoption and publication of this report.

The ccNSO council resolved to adopt the ccNSO Council Election Process report as proposed. The resolution was moved by Ali Hadji Mmadi and seconded by Olga Cavalli. No questions or comments were raised.

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- **Action Item 224-04**

The ccNSO Chair is requested to inform ICANN's Secretary of the election results in accordance with section 10.4(i) of the ICANN Bylaws.

**16. Appointment members, or chairs/vice chairs to committees or working groups, if any**

The ccNSO Council resolved to appoint the following people to their respective roles. The resolution was moved by Everton Rodrigues and seconded by Wafa Dahmani. Peter Koch abstained. No questions or comments were raised.

- **Resolution 224-03**

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- Irina Danelia, .ru
- Mo YANG, .cn
- Chris Disspain, Council
- Nigel Roberts, .gg
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- Member SOPC:
  - Mo Yang (.cn)
  - Nguyen Thi Thu Thuy (.vn)

**The secretariat is requested to inform the leadership teams of the various working groups and committees and persons appointed and enable their participation in the respective teams. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.**

- **Action Item 224-05**

The secretariat is requested to inform the leadership teams of the various working groups and committees and persons appointed, and enable their participation in the respective teams.

## SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS & DECISIONS

### 17. ccNSO participation in GNSO DNS Abuse PDPs

The Chair noted that the GNSO Council had adopted the issue report and planned to launch two PDPs. The corresponding charters and calls for volunteers are expected in January 2026. The Triage committee, a small group of councillors and the DASC leadership had met to discuss ccNSO participation and a summary note was circulated.

The Council agreed to first discuss whether to participate, leaving the form of participation for a later meeting.

Alejandra outlined the discussion: The benefits of participation included sharing ccTLD expertise in DNS abuse mitigation, supporting the multistakeholder model, and potentially contributing to reduced DNS abuse across the ecosystem. The drawbacks included the significant time commitment, resource demands, and possible misperceptions about representation and policy applicability to ccTLDs. Possible mitigations were identified, such as distributing workload among participants and clearly defining mandates to avoid misunderstandings. Participation was also seen as an opportunity to educate the broader community about differences between ccTLDs and gTLDs. The discussion was then opened for Council views on whether the ccNSO should participate.

Chris Disspain, ccNSO Councillor, mentioned that many of the perceived cons of participation were actually reasons to participate. Chris emphasized that not participating would limit the ccNSO's ability to maintain distinctions between ccTLD and gTLD practices and could appear as avoidance. Participation was important because it is a cross-community issue, and almost all other ICANN groups were expected to engage. Being involved would allow ccTLDs to demonstrate their differences directly to GAC representatives and other stakeholders.

Peter Koch, ccNSO Councillor, added that a key argument to participate is that ccTLDs have much less levels of abuse and, therefore, can contribute with what has led to better results. He also expressed concerns about finding the right people for the task.

The decision on this matter will be taken in the next council call in January 2026.

- **Action Item 224-06**

The secretariat to include the topic on “ccNSO participation in GNSO DNS Abuse PDPs” in the January 2026 Council meeting agenda.

## **18. Report ICANN84 Tech Day**

The Chair praised the Tech Day report for ICANN84 and noted some requests for the Council to consider regarding interpretation and scheduling. There was a request to have shorter breaks but that is not something the Council can decide. The other request was to remove interpretation from Tech Day sessions. Alejandra shared her perspective noting that although the technical world is heavily reliant on English, providing interpretation keeps the door open for non-native English speakers to follow discussions and stay informed about Tech Day. Interpretation is available not only live during the event, but also remains via the recording and transcriptions that are available to all after the meetings.

Pablo Rodriguez, ccNSO Councillor, stated it was his strong opinion that interpretation was necessary and removing the interpretation would be taking a step backwards. Having interpretation is about being transparent and inclusive.

Molehe Wesi, ccNSO Councillor, expressed he was in favor of keeping interpretation.

The decision on this matter will be taken in the next council call in January 2026.

- **Action Item 224-07**

The secretariat to include the topic on “Tech Day’s interpretation service” in the January 2026 Council meeting agenda.

## **19. NomCom input request**

The Chair explained the NomCom had sent an email requesting written input on any relevant topics, including the desired profile of candidates. It was proposed the topic be revisited via the mailing list in early January, as the deadline for submitting input is the 21st of January 2026. It was also noted that a call had been proposed to provide input and ask questions directly to the NomCom, which will be the 7th or 8th of January at 12:00 UTC.

## **20. ICANN85 Schedule Updates**

### ***a. Participation in ICANN’s “Trend Exercise” SOPC, Councillors, and Chairs/Vice-chairs***

The Chair encouraged the councillors to participate.

### ***b. Meeting with Registrar Stakeholder Group***

The Chair reminded the intention to have a more open dialogue. More details to follow.

## **21. Any Other Business (AOB)**

## **22. Next Council Meetings**

- 22 January 2026 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 225
- 19 February 2026 | 21:00 UTC, Meeting 226
- **12 March 2026 | ICANN85 - Mumbai, Meeting 227**
- 16 April 2026 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 228

- 21 May 2026 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 229
- **11 June 2026 | ICANN86 - Sevilla, Meeting 230**
- 16 July 2026 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 231
- 13 August 2026 | 21:00 UTC, Meeting 232
- 17 September 2026 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 233
- **22 October 2026 | ICANN87 - Muscat, Meeting 234**
- 19 November 2026 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 235
- 17 December 2026 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 236

### **23. Adjourn**