

Dear Colleagues,

On Friday, May 27, the ICANN Board approved the new ICANN Bylaws for IANA Stewardship Transition, deemed to be effective upon the expiration of the IANA Functions Contract between ICANN and NTIA. You will note that Article 17 of the new bylaws calls for the creation of the **Customer Standing Committee (CSC)**. The CSC's role will be to monitor the performance of the Post Transition IANA entity (PTI), which will perform the IANA Functions relevant for the ccTLDs post transition (see: https://www.icann.org/iana_imp_docs/43-csc-scope-and-responsibilities-v-v2).

The ccNSO has to appoint **two members** representing ccTLD registry operators (the ccTLD manager does NOT have to be a member of the ccNSO) according to the internal procedures of the ccNSO.

On 2 June 2016 the ccNSO Council received the request to appoint members to the Customer Standing Committee by 22 July 2016 - <http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/csc-appointment-request-03jun16-en.pdf>. Since April 2016 the ccNSO is working on a new guideline with respect to the selection and appointment of the ccTLD members on the CSC and related aspects. It is expected that the ccNSO Council will adopt the guideline at its meeting on 16 June. During the ccNSO meeting in Helsinki more detailed information on the entire process will be presented to the community and the formal call for Expression of Interest will be issued on or around **30 June**. This will, unfortunately, provide a very limited application window (two weeks) to meet the deadline of 22 July 2016.

In order to enable interested candidates to start working on their application in advance of the envisioned tight application window, we will provide all the necessary information about the requirements and documents that have to be submitted.

Expression of Interest will require a candidate to indicate how she or he meets at least the following **requirements**:

- Direct experience and knowledge of the IANA naming function
- Employed or have active backing by a ccTLD manager
- Analytical skills, ability to interpret quantitative and qualitative evidence, and capacity to draw conclusions purely based on evidence
- Able to work and communicate in written and spoken English
- Effective communication skills and commitment to inform the ccTLD community on a regular basis in person at the ccNSO meetings or RO meetings or via e-mail
- Experience in managing and/or participating in committees (e.g. meeting coordination, reporting, and escalation) in order to contribute meaningfully to CSC processes
- Demonstrated ability in relationship management to support diplomatic discussion, consensus driven decision making, and productive negotiation

In addition, the call will ask the applicant to submit **at least the following**:

- Explanation of the interest in becoming a member of the CSC
- A resume, curriculum vitae or biography in support of the Expression of Interest
- An indication whether the candidate is available to be elected for a 2 or 3-year term, and
- An indication of commitment of your organization to your participation to the CSC.

Finally, the interested candidates should be aware that travel funding is **not** provided.

In the course of the upcoming weeks I will keep you updated on the progress made.

Kindest regards,

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Chair of the ccNSO