

ccNSO Council preparatory session

Sunday, 10 March 2019 | 12:15-13:30 | Emerald

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Agenda:

1. Brief review workshop
2. ccNSO Chair and vice chairs election: Timing and Proposed process
3. Draft agenda Council meeting (For main items see below, details to follow in the course of the week)
4. Preparation joint meetings (see below)
5. Other relevant meetings:
 - a. HIT/CCS sessions Monday 11 March 2019:
 - i. ICANN Strategic Planning 10:30 - 12:00: see: <https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/961911>
 - ii. Next Steps in ICANN's Response to the GDPR, 15:15 - 16:45: see <https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/961913>
 - b. HIT/CCS session Thursday 14 March 2019:
 - i. Cross-Community Session: Universal Acceptance / IDNs, 10:30 - 12:00 see: <https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/961926>
 - ii. ICANN Board Session on Governance, 13:30 - 14:45, see: <https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/961931>
 - iii. Q&A with ICANN Organization Executive Team, 14:45 - 15:45, see below for specific ccNSO question and for background: <https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/961928>
6. Annual work plan: next steps
7. AOB

Main items to date Council meeting

- Chair and vice chairs election.
- Adoption CSC Effectiveness Review Report and support findings and recommendations
- Discussion and next steps Road Map IDN overall policy
- Assignment of Roles and Responsibilities Councillors
- Update PDP 3 schedule

Joint meeting: ccNSO & ALAC

Sunday, 10 March 2019 | 17:00-17:30 | Topaz

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Topic	Subtopic	Introducing for ccNSO	Main points/message/concern	Comment
1. Welcome, speaker introduction and explanation of the shortened session		Katrina		
2. Introduction to Segun Akano, new ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC, including thanks to Wafa Dahmani		Katrina		Wafa is not attending ICANN64 in person
3. ccNSO Comments on the ICANN Plans and Budgets & introduction to ccNSO: Giovanni Seppia, ccNSO SOPC chair		Giovanni		
4. Q&A & wrap-up		Katrina	No joint meeting between ccNSO & ALAC at ICANN65.	At ICANN66 Katrina suggests presenting on "what is the ccNSO?"

Joint meeting: ccNSO & GNSO Councils

Monday, 11 March 2019 | 12:00-13:00 | Ohwada C

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2. Joint prospective projects				
a.	CSC Effectiveness review: final report. Synchronizing decision-making and next steps	Katrina		
b.	Harmonizing Confusing Similarity review	Katrina		
c.	CCWG Auction proceeds, next steps	Ching? Peter?		With the conclusion of the Public Comment Forum regarding the group's initial report, the CCWG new gTLD Auction Proceeds resumed its meetings. Given the varied responses received during the public comment forum (see Public Comment Report), additional feedback and ideas for next steps, and lack of general consensus, the CCWG reviews all comments received, and once completed, will prepare a Work Plan.
3. Hot topics and updates				

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a. Comments ICANN's 2021-2025 Strat Plan, FY 20 Operating Plan and Budget: common concerns?		Giovanni, Katrina		
b. Selecting IFRT membership: How to move IANA Function Review forward?		Katrina	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GRC prepared a guideline.• Adequate representation of the ccTLD community	
c. Progress Emoji Study Group: preliminary results		Katrina	Study group. Includes TLDs who do allow Emojis. Study Group mechanism has proven to be successful in the past to deal with these issues. The draft initial report is now out.	
d. Status EPDP		Katrina		

Joint meeting: ccNSO & ICANN Board

Tuesday, 12 March 2019 | 11:00-12:00 | Ohwada A

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Questions from the Board				
- the draft Strategic Plan 2021-2025 was published a little before Christmas;				
- the first consultation paper on a 2-Year budgeting process was also published before Christmas;				
- and the draft FY21-25 Operating Plan & Financial Projections will be posted before this summer.				
1. What the Board, ICANN org, and the Community should be doing now to prepare for the successful implementation of these plans? Please make three suggestions as concrete as possible, providing one each for the Board, ICANN org, and the Community.				
2. While the success of these plans lies primarily within ICANN, we all know that ICANN does not operate in a vacuum, and alliances and partnerships are important to our success. How can we increase the likelihood that important allies and partners in the space are on the same page and working together to achieve common/agreed upon goals? Please provide one suggestion of something that could be done externally to improve trust and collaboration.				
3. We are looking forward to hearing your four suggestions during our face-to-face meetings in Kobe so that we could then work jointly towards a successful implementation of ICANN's future plans, that you have been involved in formulating.				
Questions from the ccNSO				

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<p>1. ICANN's mission</p> <p>As the Board adopts ICANN's Strategic Plan, Operating Plans and related budgets, what criteria does the Board use to determine whether an activity is within ICANN's mission?</p> <p>With ICANN's funding levelling or on the decline, do you consider all the activities as equally important or do you see some activities as of a higher priority for fulfilling ICANN's mission?</p>				
<p>2. Confusing similarity</p> <p>The joint ccNSO -SSAC working party has provided feedback and input to ICANN Org's proposed guideline to operationalize the amended Fast Track process (inclusion of Risk Mitigation to overcome the only pending case of confusing similarity). In addition and overstepping the original request, the working party suggests that ICANN takes a final decision on the one and only pending case. Once the current pending case under the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process is resolved, we propose that all processes and procedures relating to the evaluation of confusing similarity be reviewed and evaluated, with a two-fold goal. Firstly, originally (in 2009) the process and procedures for evaluation of strings of the new gTLD round and the overall policy for IDN ccTLDs were supposed to be consistent. However, due to the incremental changes of the ccTLD Fast Track process since 2009, the discrepancy between these processes has increased. Secondly, since the introduction of sting similarity review in 2009, the methods to evaluate string similarity and underlying scientific insights in this area have evolved and, therefore, a review of the original approach is highly desirable. Should we still strive to harmonize string similarity review under the two processes? If so, how could we all ensure this given both are developed under different PDPs?</p>				

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<p>3. Progress on IFR</p> <p>During our Barcelona meeting we informed you that the ccNSO - despite all the efforts - has not been able to appoint to the IFRT a representative from a ccTLD manager that is not a member of the ccNSO. We suggested to appoint a representative from a ccNSO member ccTLD on an interim basis to ensure that ccTLD community which is one of the direct customer groups of PTI, is represented on the review by 3 members. Since then ICANN Org reached out to all the appointing entities to seek support for this solution. It is our understanding that one of the appointing entities objected, with reference to the Bylaws.</p> <p>As this Review has been launched under auspices of the Board, could you provide an update on the current status? How will it be ensured that 3 members of the ccTLD community are included in the IFRT?</p> <p>Looking to the future, the next IFR shall be convened in five years, measured from the date the previous was convened (September 2018). It is clear that with the growing number of ccNSO members, in five years it will be even more difficult to find a non-member ccTLD representative. To change this, a fundamental Bylaw change is required. What is the process to introduce the change in time for the next IANA Functions review?</p>				

Joint meeting: ccNSO & GAC

Wednesday, 13 March 2019 | 11:30-11:15 | Ohwada B

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1. status report ccNSO Retirement Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group		Stephen		
2. DNS over https		Peter Van Roste		
3. Discussion on the future scheduling of the joint meetings between the ccNSO and GAC.		Peter Vergote, Katrina	The GAC meets with other SO/ACs on Sunday in Kobe and proposed to have future joint meetings between ccNSO & GAC earlier during the ICANN-meetings week, when they meet with other SO/ACs. This means the joint meeting between ccNSO & GAC would no longer be part of the ccNSO Members Meeting days.	

Q&A with ICANN Organization Executive Team

Thursday, 14 March | 14.45-15.45 | Portopia Hall

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Question by the ccNSO: “The Strategic and Operational plans suggest that each Department within ICANN Org have their own strategy and plans, as well as their own approach to deal with risks and opportunities. How do ICANN Executives ensure that Departments collaborate to execute the common strategy, and avoid overlap? Further, how do ICANN’s Senior Executives ensure that the global risks and opportunities to ICANN are taken into account by each Department? ”		Katrina		Session for the community to meet and ask ICANN org related questions of Göran Marby and the Executive Team, outside of, and in addition to the public forums. Please email engagement@icann.org to ask questions in advance of the session or if you are unable to make it in person. Of course, please feel free to ask questions to the team any time outside of these sessions as well. Read the latest report to the Board here for more information in advance of the session: https://www.icann.org/presidents-corner