

ccNSO / ALAC Liaison Report January 22nd 2015

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ALAC – ccNSO Coordination Working Group

Description

This Working Group has been established to participate in a joint ALAC-ccNSO project which proposes to compile a database matching At Large Structures (ALSes) and the ccTLD of their country. It is hoped that the ALAC - ccNSO partnership will look at developing a plan of action that will generate some mutual understanding of the roles of each other's organizations, on which they may build a collaborative relationship.

The group has a program committee that is organizing a face-to-face meeting between members of the ALAC and ccNSO Leadership Teams at the ICANN 52 Meeting in Singapore. The ALAC is represented on the program committee by Maureen Hilyard (ALAC Liaison to ccNSO) and Dev Anand Teelucksingh (ALAC & Technology Expert). The ccNSO is represented by Katrina Sasaki (Vice Chair – ccNSO Council) and Ron Sherwood (ccNSO Liaison to ALAC)

As of today, January 15th 2015, the ICANN 52 Joint meeting between the ccTLD and ALAC Leadership Teams is scheduled for Tuesday February 10th from 07:15 to 08:15 AM local time. The meeting room has yet to be confirmed.

Councilors are asked to please advise [Katrina Sasaki](#) or [Ron Sherwood](#) of any items that they wish to be included in the agenda and which relate to cooperation or coordination between the two communities?

2) January 12th 2015

ALAC Statement on the ICANN Draft Five-Year Operating Plan (FY16-FY20)

Summary

The ALAC proposes the following revision recommendations to the ICANN Draft Five-Year Operating Plan (FY16-FY20):

1. Include an assessment of the possible impact that the IANA stewardship transition may have in ICANN's operations.
2. Change the wording to reflect the vision that stakeholder engagement is to be encouraged by the wide ICANN community, not just by the staff.
3. Include SMART implementation metrics in strategic objectives or goals where fit.
4. Encourage underrepresented stakeholder groups to engage with ICANN at local, regional, and international levels and to establish metrics that reflect the scope of action.
5. Change the wording "most" to "all" in the sentence "Comprehensive regional engagement plans and strategies covering most ICANN regions."

Link to full Statement {[LINK](#)}

22nd December 2014

ALAC Statement on the Cross Community Working Group (CWG) on Naming Related Functions Draft Transition Proposal

Introduction

Alan Greenberg, Chair of the ALAC and participant in the Cross Community Working Group (CWG) to Develop an IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal on Naming Related Functions, composed an initial draft of this Statement. The Statement was developed based on extensive discussion among At-Large participants in the CWG, as well as members of the At-Large Ad-hoc Working Group on the Transition of US Government Stewardship of the IANA Function which has been overseeing At-Large involvement in the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG) and the CWG

Summary

The ALAC firmly believes that ICANN has demonstrated that it can reliably perform the IANA services, and should be allowed to continue to do so unless or until it demonstrates that it is incapable or unwilling to carry out these functions for the benefit of the Internet community. To ensure that this is done, additional accountability measures need to be put in place.

In the view of the ALAC, a suitable transition proposal will include the following:

- IANA responsibility awarded to ICANN;
- New Board accountability to ensure that multi-stakeholder community can initiate action if dissatisfied with IANA performance;
- Independent Appeal process to address perceived errors;
- Doomsday capability to reassign responsibility if all else fails.

The Statement analyzes and provides a detailed critique of the CWG Draft Proposal as well as several Recommendations for modification of the Proposal to more closely fit the ALAC model.

The ALAC notes that the components of the transitioned IANA discussed in the statement closely model those within the CWG Proposal. That was done to ensure the smallest possible deviation from the CWG Proposal. The ALAC is not bound to support these exact components, so long as the four bullets above are addressed.

Link to full Statement {[LINK](#)}

Respectfully submitted

By Ron Sherwood (ccNSO/ALAC Liaison)