

Summary Notes - CEO Meeting with ccNSO Leadership

DETAILS

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PARTICIPANTS

- Alejandra Reynoso, chair (LAC region, not associated with a ccTLD manager)
- Jordan Carter, vice chair (AP region, .au)
- Adebisi Oladipo, vice chair (AF Region, .ng))
- Sally Costerton, Interim CEO
- David Olive, SVP Policy
- Kim Carlson , Policy

NOTES

Introduction by Sally

Sally thanked the ccNSO leadership for this opportunity to exchange views and turned the discussion over to Alejandra.

Specific Topics at ICANN78 in Hamburg

Guidelines Review Committee (GRC)

(The purpose of the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) is to review the current guidelines and to ascertain whether they reflect current practices and working methods, identify potential gaps, and based on this analysis propose changes to the current guidelines to the Council.)

- The GRC Workshop at ICANN78 will try a new approach using Open Space Technology (OST) methodology of running large group meetings or events around a central topic where participants create the agenda themselves. The process is designed to be highly participatory, inclusive, and collaborative.
- The topic will be ‘continuous improvements’ with specific areas assigned to each table.
- We hope to make it more community focused, and a productive networking session led by various groups.

- Comment about this approach as a good experiment to introduce themes and encourage participation.

The Strategic and Operational Standing Committee (SOPC)

- The SOPC will be at ICANN78. The aim of the Committee is to coordinate, facilitate, and increase the participation of ccTLD managers in ICANN and PTI's strategic and operational planning processes and related budgetary processes.

The ccNSO Council Workshop – Caretaker ccTLD (.lb Case)

- A small team is looking at next steps, including a possible gap analysis.
- IANA (Kim Davies) will provide an update and any historic background and potential ways to address the gap when there is no ccNSO guidance.
- Question raised about the ccNSO views on the .lb situation? And what might be suggested solutions?
- No specific solutions yet, still thinking about how to address.
- Looking for potential cases in the past or currently to inform the discussion.
- Comment that this is delicate subject yet needs to be address with seriousness.

WSIS +20

- The Internet Governance Liaison Committee will discuss this issue (The IGLC has been established to coordinate, facilitate, and increase the participation of ccTLD managers in discussions and processes pertaining to Internet Governance.)
- Review of the general situation of WSIS and status
- Discussion with cc operators on how to approach this WSIS+20 event.
- In a soon to be approved by the Board, one CEO goal is WSIS + 20.
 - Board active via its Internet WG as well as several governments from the GAC
 - ccTLDs could be helpful to involve more governments around the world so to expand the current one looking at this process.
 - Also looking for countries with similar views supporting the Internet, like we did with the UA efforts.
 - Must be a priority for ICANN to make it successful.

ccNSO Anniversary Session at ICANN78

- ccNSO continues the celebration in Hamburg after the Cancun focus on “looking back at the ccNSO and the DC focus on ccNSO trivia.
- In Hamburg, we will try the World Café Methodology (the World Café methodology is a simple, effective, and flexible format for hosting large group dialogue)
- The topic will be what the ccNSO should do in the next 5-10 years with each table taking a specific topic from a list prepared.

DNS Abuse

- The DNS Abuse Standing Committee (The ccNSO DNS Abuse Standing Committee (DASC) is intended to maintain a dedicated forum for ccTLD Managers to discuss the important topic of DNS Abuse and to share information, insights, and practices. It is primarily aimed at ccTLD Managers who participate within the ICANN community but is not limited to ccNSO members.) will provide an update on its survey of members.
- Reports will be made from ICANN’s DNS Abuse reporting team, the DNS Abuse Institute, and others.
- In a soon to be approved by the Board, one CEO goal on DNS Abuse (also linked to the WSIS+20 topics)
 - Important to show that our MSM can solve problems within our remit, as shown by the contracted parties amendments on DNS Abuse
 - Org is looking closely at our own efforts as well.

Registrant Program

- The session will look at ways ccTLDs could cooperation with ICANN in this area.
- ccTLDs have their own Registrant models with some with dual approach (registry/registrar) and other with direct registration.
- Trying to find out more and to leverage what ICANN is doing in its Registrant Program
- While there are Registry/Registrar Agreements with ICANN, ccTLDs do not have such an arrangement.
- Comment that it is good to have the discussion on the different ways to have a relationship with the Registrant and hopefully we will all have a better view.

Other CEO Goals

- The next round of new gLTDS remains a CEO goal.
- Another CEO goal is a multi-year one on Digital Inclusion (in part UA, expansion of the multilingual Internet, via the next round and what it means for ICANN

- Any feedback
- A comment was made that Digital Inclusion is a broad topic and is there any thinking how to make it happen including community inputs; we would wish to see the needs of the ccTLDs addressed as well.
- Response is that at this stage, still exploring how best to address the issues with no specific yet.