

GNSO COUNCIL SMALL TEAM – WORK ASSIGNMENT OVERVIEW

Subject	Registration Data Accuracy
Background	<p>In late 2024, the GNSO Council initiated an “Accuracy Framing Assignment” to help inform the next steps on Whois/RDS accuracy.</p> <p>On 25 October 2024, the Council shared a concept proposal with a set of “threshold questions” for ICANN org and the community to answer. This included questions on what problems inaccurate data causes, who is affected, the urgency of action (e.g. considering the EU’s NIS2 law), and possible solutions (such as data audits or lessons from ccTLDs).</p> <p>Following the receipt of ICANN org’s response, the Council forwarded the remaining questions to GNSO Stakeholder Groups/Constituencies and Advisory Committees (SG/C/ACs). These groups (RrSG, RySG, NCSG, IPC, ISPCP, GAC, BC, ALAC) submitted written input by the 14 February 2025 deadline. The goal was to inform the Council and community on the current accuracy situation and potential next steps before deciding on any policy development.</p>
Assignment	<p>The Small Team is tasked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review the written input received on the Council’s threshold questions ● Provide a detailed summary of the input received, taking into consideration the potential other sources that can inform the discussion - i.e. INFERMAL study, EU NIS2 cooperation group, recommendation CC.1, and provide a recommendation to the Council on how to best make progress on the topic of registration data accuracy, e.g., relaunch scoping team with updated assignment, request Issues Report, request additional study (including the recommended form and aim of the study), etc.
Timing	Small Team to share findings and recommendations by ICANN83 (June 2025) .
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Documents	SG/C/AC responses to threshold questions
Notes	See background section
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GNSO Council to consider the assignment.