

Expression of Interest for Chair of EPDP Phase 2A

Keith Drazek

- What is your interest in this position?
 - I am interested in facilitating the ICANN community's continued deliberations on the topics of Legal/Natural and feasibility of unique contacts. During my tenure as GNSO Chair, these topics were identified as important to many groups and various parts of the ICANN community, and I personally assured those groups that the GNSO Council would take up the issue on a separate track from Phase 2/SSAD and not discard or ignore it. Having seen no other interested and qualified candidate volunteer for the neutral Chair duty, I feel it is my responsibility to engage and neutrally facilitate the remaining work.
- What particular skills and attributes do you have that will assist you in chairing the EPDP?
 - I have been a contributor in the ICANN community for over twenty years, including two years as Chair of the Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) and two years as Chair of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO). I also have experience in various Cross-Community Working Groups (CCWG) and GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Groups. During my five years on the GNSO Council, I closely followed the work of several CCWGs and PDPs, including the EPDP Phase 1 and Phase 2. I have proven to be a neutral Chair.
- What is your knowledge of the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data, EPDP Team's Phase 1 and Phase 2 work, and associated challenges and requirements particularly as it relates to the EPDP?
 - During my two years as GNSO Chair, I was directly involved with the chartering and process management associated with the EPDP Phase 1 and Phase 2. I am very familiar with the extensive work of the EPDP in both phases and the importance of the work chartered for Phase 2A. As with many in the ICANN community, the intense work of the EPDP Team has been a key focus for the last two years. I have detailed knowledge of the history of the Temporary Specification, the work of Phase 1 to replace the Temp Spec, and the Phase 2 work on development of a Standardized System for Access and Disclosure (SSAD).
- What is your experience in and knowledge of the GNSO policy development process, ICANN's consensus policies, ICANN's registry agreements, and the Registrar Accreditation Agreement related to gTLD registration data?
 - As a long-time contributor in the ICANN community, and in my five years on the GNSO Council, including the last two years as Chair, I have developed an intimate knowledge of the GNSO's Operating Procedures, Consensus Policies, PDP Working Group Guidelines, PDP Manual, and PDP 3.0 improvements. Having worked for several registries and registrars over the last 20 years, I am also very familiar with the Registry Agreements (RA) and Registrar Accreditation Agreements (RAA).

- Are you able to commit the time required and necessary work needed to chair the EPDP?
 - Yes, I am able to commit the time required and necessary work needed to effectively Chair the EPDP Phase 2A effort. I have the support of my employer, Verisign, to neutrally facilitate the community's work on these important topics.
- Conflict of Interest Statement: do you have any affiliation with or involvement in any organization or entity with any financial or non-financial interest in the subject matter of this EPDP?
 - I have no conflict of interest. My employer, Verisign, fully expects me to be a neutral facilitator of the EPDP Phase 2A work. Verisign has no financial or non-financial interest in the subject matter of Phase 2A (legal/natural and unique identifiers).
- Please also include:
 - A link to an up-to-date <https://community.icann.org/display/gnsosoi/Keith+Drazek+SOI>
 - A statement confirming your commitment and ability to act neutrally.
 - I, Keith Drazek, confirm that I am committed to, and am able to, act neutrally in conducting the Chair duties for EPDP Phase 2A. I will be a neutral Chair.