

Timeline Discussion



Challenges

- ⦿ Is it possible to produce a meaningful Initial Report without knowing the responses from the EDPB?
- ⦿ At the same time, uncertainty about if / when responses will be received and how much direction they will include.
- ⦿ Pressure from community to deliver Final Report as soon as possible.
- ⦿ Missing December deadline means that ICANN67 cannot be used for public comment review as public comment forum will still be open
- ⦿ Other GNSO efforts (SubPro, RPMs) are likely to have public comment periods opening in the beginning of 2020 which could result in requests for more time from the community to provide input.
- ⦿ How to ensure input during public comment period is meaningful – how to avoid restating of opinions / positions already known and considered?

Timeline scenarios

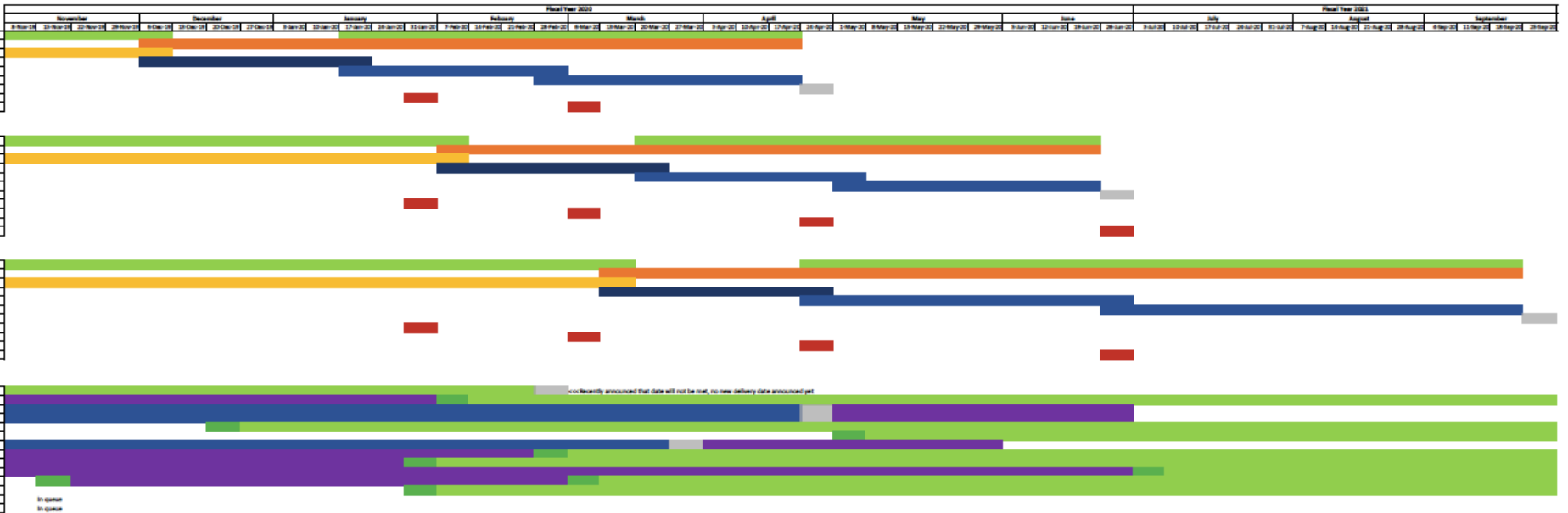
	PCP Open	PCP Close	Complete review of comments	Complete Final Report
Current Plan	4-Dec-19	20-Jan-20	25-Feb-20	21-Apr-20
Scenario 2	7-Feb-20	24-Mar-20	28-Apr-20	23-Jun-20
Scenario 3	13-March-20	1-May-20	3-July-20	25-Sept-20

Current Plan - note durations of key tasks were already aggressive given calendar delivery requirement post ICANN67

Scenario 2 - EPDP-P2 PCP Close occurs post ICANN67 with an aggressive delivery of Final report around ICANN68 for which we did not plan F2F sessions

To consider:

- If changes from Initial Report to Final Report are substantial, there may be a need for an additional round of public comment;
- Some of the priority 2 items will need to be dealt with in a separate Initial / Final Report due to dependencies (not reflected in this timeline);
- Going beyond FY20 means new budget will need to be requested as there is no possibility to carry-over;
- This does not consider the timeline for adoption by the GNSO Council, ICANN Board and implementation phase;
- Priority 2 items not consider part of critical path for these scenario dates.



Possible approach to publishing in December

- Outline different scenarios in Initial Report and allocate recommendations in line with the responsibilities of each party in each scenario;
- Highlight what input is being sought from EDPB and how this could influence which scenario is ultimately recommended;
- Identify specific questions that the EPDP Team is looking for input on to ensure targeted responses (e.g. via google form).
- Think about how to avoid restatement of positions already expressed by groups participating in the EPDP Team and already considered in the formulation of the Initial Report

This approach does require:

- Agreement on all the building blocks to publish for public comment by end of November
- Commitment from EPDP Team to do homework and review documents