

ccNSO Council Meeting 204

18 April 2024

Attendees:

AF

Biyi Oladipo, .ng (Vice-Chair)

Ali Hadji

AP

Ai Chin Lu, .tw

Jiankang Yao, .cn

EU

Chris Disspain

Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk

Peter Koch, .de

LAC

Alejandra Reynoso (Chair)

Demi Getschko, .br

Jenifer Lopez, .pa

NA

Stephen Deerhake, .as

Pablo Rodriguez, .pr

NomCom

Olga Cavalli

Liaisons/Observers

Everton Rodriguez

Laura Margolis

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel

Kimberly Carlson

Claudia Ruiz

Joke Braeken

Apologies: Jordan Carter, Wafa Dahmani, Tatiana Tropina, Sean Copeland, Molehe Wesi

1. Welcome and roll call

Welcome and agenda review by Chair of the ccNSO. No objections received.

Meeting was quorate.

Administrative matters

2. Relevant Correspondence

The Chair of the ccNSO reviewed the relevant correspondences since the meeting in March.

3. Minutes & Action Items

Chair of the ccNSO reviewed open action items.

- **200-03:** IGLC is requested to gather information on what cc's are doing in respect to WSIS and provide simpler/more targeting messaging to the ccTLDs. (Marked completed)
- **201-03:** Staff to monitor how discussion re exclusion of IRP through contractual arrangement or Bylaw change evolves. (Marked closed)
- **201-05:** GRC to review recommendations Board Nomination Process manager as included in Board Seat 12 election report. (Removed, to be included as agenda item when done)
- **202-05:** GRC to add anonymity voting and voting process as item to harmonisation of Guidelines. (Removed, to be included as agenda item when done)
- **203-05:** For future elections, ccNSO Council to consider two separate resolutions for vice-chair appointments. (Removed, Secretariat to add it to their todo list).

Action Item 204-01:

The Chair and vice-chairs will review the current external appointments and make suggestions to complete the roster by the May meeting.

Olga Cavalli asked about the WSIS+20 and involvement of the ccNSO.

The Chair of the ccNSO stated the IGLC is tasked with this; gathering information, but Council is not expecting a report.

4. Intermeeting Decisions (since meeting 203, March 2024)

Chair of the ccNSO reviewed the following intermeeting decisions (explaining the new labelling system):

- a. **203-A Decision confirming not to participate in PIC's/RVCs Consultation**
- b. **203-B Actions in response to letter from Katrina Sasaki and Patricio Poblete on events ICANN79.**

5. Intermeeting decisions Triage Committee

The Triage Committee has made no decisions since meeting 202

Updates

6. Update ECA, IFRT & CSC (see written updates)

The Chair of the ccNSO provided an update stating the CSC will start the election process of a new member and alternate for the CSC. Brett Carr is in his third and final term, ending in October.

Additionally, the Council will need to meet with the registry stakeholder group regarding the third CSC review.

Action Item 204-02:

Council to discuss the third CSC review at the May meeting.

7. Update WGs (written updates)

8. Update liaisons (written updates)

9. Update ccNSO Website redesign

The Chair of the ccNSO provided an update. The small group has [nearly] completed the requirements for the website. They have had frequent meetings. Final requirements meeting with the ITP team from ICANN is scheduled for 8 May.

Stephen Deerhake and Nick Wenban-Smith added good progress has been made, with an acceleration of pace, and an optimistic trajectory.

10. Update Triage Committee

a. Re-Confirmation ccNSO Purpose and Goal Statement

RESOLUTION 204-01:

The ccNSO Council adopts and reconfirms the 2023 ccNSO Purpose and Goals statement (<https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/purpose-goals-31may23-en.pdf>), and request the secretariat to adjust the approval date to April 2024. This decision becomes effective seven (7) days after publication.

Moved by Chris Disspain
Seconded by Olga Cavalli
Passed unanimously

Action Item 204-03:

Secretariat to adjust Purpose and Goals statement approval date (to April 2024)

b. Updates portfolio of Activities 2025-2026: what to expect

Nick Wenban Smith reported the review of the prioritization and activities – and they are up to date. There is more to review regarding capacity and resourcing.

Bart Boswinkel added the portfolio must be adopted on a yearly basis – being the first year using a project management tool. Suggests in May to have a Council working session prior to ICANN80 to “deep dive”.

The Chair of the ccNSO, since the whole set of activities are being discussed, the working group and committee chairs could be invited to a working session.

Bart Boswinkel stated the Council needs to approve the portfolio of activities. To familiarize the Council and working group chairs – they have a “first run through it” to raise awareness. Then at a later stage, a follow-up around Istanbul.

Action Item 204-04:

ccNSO Council and Triage committee to jointly plan a resource capacity workshop prior to ICANN80

11. Update Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councilors, RO's and Secretariat

The Chair of the ccNSO stated the Council leadership had a one-on-one call with Sally Costerton. Topics included WSIS+20, IDNs, PDPs and UA day. The policy gap session was discussed on its content and logistics, to share some of the new methodologies that the ccNSO uses.

Kimberly Carlson reported to Council she would be leaving the ccNSO and Policy, starting 1 July 2024.

12. Progress GAP Analysis: Preparing for Kigali

Chris Disspain stated Kim Davies has started to prepare an extensive topic areas list for ccTLD policy review. The group also reviewed an “experimental” redraft of RFC1591.

Bart Boswinkel added Kim Davies's document and follow up from San Juan on what are the gaps and what is policy, what is interpretation, what is guidance and what is incidental. And then related, what are the methods to address it? The small group to introduce a general overview. There will be a session in Kigali.

Action Item 204-05:

Post ICANN80, Council to decide whether to keep the policy gap analysis group ad-hoc or create a fully mandated working group.

13. Update and Closure 2nd Councillor 360 feed-back process

The Chair of the ccNSO thanked those who completed the survey and encouraged all who have not, to do so as this is very useful to those being reviewed. Next round of evaluations will start in July.

Olga Cavalli added she had been appointed by the NomCom in other roles and there was never any feedback. This feedback is important and useful.

Chris Disspain agreed on its value, and if you're unable to answer a question, the why is valuable as well.

Administrative Matters & Decisions

14. Results Members Vote ccPDP4

Joke Braeken provided an update on the voting to date.

The ccPDP4 vote is now closed, voting closed 17 April 23:59 UTC. The quorum was met, and the vote is valid.

56 % of the Emissaries voted. 97% of the votes cast were in support of the ccNSO Council recommendation to adopt the proposed ccPDP4-IDN policy

There are no issues to report. A vote report with all observations is being drafted. To be expected by the end of next week

Next steps:

- Election report coming soon
- Will be included in the Board Report
- Board consideration will include a public comment period, and Board will also seek GAC advice

15. Appointment Members to Committees and Working Groups, if any

RESOLUTION 204-02:

The ccNSO Council appoints Federica Tortorella (LACTLD) as observer to the IGLC, and observer to the DASC. The secretariat is requested to inform the leadership of both groups and Federica. This decision becomes effective upon its publication.

Moved by Olga Cavalli

Seconded by Stephen Deerhake

Passed unanimously

Action Item 204-06:

Secretariat to inform DASC and IGLC leadership of Federica Tortorella's appointment to both groups,

16. ccNSO Membership application Internet Society Lebanon (ISOC.LB) (.lb)

RESOLUTION 204-03:

The ccNSO Council approves the ccNSO membership application of the Internet Society Lebanon (ISOC.LB) to become member of the ccNSO and welcomes ISOC.LB as member 177 of the ccNSO. The chair is requested to inform ISOC.LB and ccNSO membership. This decision becomes effective upon publication.

Moved by Demi Getschko

Seconded by Olga Cavalli

Passed unanimously

Action Item 204-07:

Chair to inform ISOC.LB and ccNSO membership

Substantive Matters & Decisions

17. Response to letter Tripti Sinha on amendment recommendation 7 CCWG-Auction Proceeds

The Chair of the ccNSO reminded Council the letter was received in early March and discussion was deferred to the April meeting.

Her understanding of the request, first, is the removal of the sentence on the recommendation number 7. Funds within the grant program should not be used for litigation, administration, or legal fees. The recommendation says that "Existing ICANN accountability mechanisms such as the IRP or other appeal mechanisms cannot be used to challenge a decision from the independent project applications evaluation panel to approve or not approve an application". The sentence to be removed is "from the independent project applications evaluation panel" to broaden the scope to all the participants of the decision making process, not only this specific panel.

Second relates to proposed bylaw change that comes from this.

Chris Disspain raised a point about the scope of the proposed bylaw change. He suggested to support the amendment of recommendation 7, and not to support the proposed Bylaw change. After further clarification by Chris, the Chair suggested that a small team drafts a statement, reflecting the concerns raised.

Action Item 204-08:

Secretariat to assist drafting response (Google Doc) to Tripti Sinha's letter on amendment recommendation 7 on CCWG Auction Proceeds. Small group of Councillors to draft response (Alejandra, Chris, Olga, Jenifer)

18. Results OISC review

The Chair of the ccNSO noted the review has concluded with suggested changes and limits to the OISC's mandate, that focuses more on mentoring and onboarding. Additionally noted that mentoring and onboarding also emerged as a priority from the World Cafes.

RESOLUTION 204-04:

The ccNSO Council adopts the final report of the review team, and thanks the team wholeheartedly for its work. The ccNSO Council supports the recommendation to limit the remit and scope of activities of the OISC and request the secretariat to suggest new Terms of Reference by meeting 205 of the ccNSO Council (May 2024). This decision becomes effective seven (7) days after publication.

Moved by Jenifer Lopez
Seconded by Ali Hadji Mmadi
Passed unanimously

Action Item 204-09:

Secretariat to suggest new Terms of Reference for OISC by meeting 205 of the ccNSO Council (May 2024).

19. Discussion and decision on next steps outcome world cafés on keeping the ccNSO relevant next 7 years

The Chair of the ccNSO noted the Council must determine first if the recommendations are within the remit of the ccNSO, then see if the recommendation is being addressed already.

Bart Boswinkel reviewed the chart summary of suggestions.

Action Item 204-10:

Secretariat to send call for volunteers: small group to review World Café outcomes

20. ccNSO relevant meetings ICANN80 (10 – 13 June 2024)

The Chair of the ccNSO reviewed the ccNSO relevant block schedule.

21. AOB

The Chair of the ccNSO reminded Council of the letter received from Katrina Sataki regarding the Q&A session in San Juan. The questions will be circulated online.

Action Item 204-11:

Chair to send an email to Council regarding the preference to discuss the questions received from the Board Caucus on ccPDP Review Mechanisms, at the next meeting (16.May) or have an extraordinary call before.

22. Next Council Meetings

- May 16 – 21:00 UTC (205)
- June 13 @ICANN80 (206) – time TBD
- July 18 – 12:00 UTC (207)
- August 22 (208) – 18.00 UTC (208), may be deferred
- September 19 – 12:00 UTC (209)
- October 17 – 21:00 UTC (210)

- November 14 @ICANN80 – (211) – time TBD
- December 12 – 12:00 UTC (212)
- January 16, '25 - 18:00 UTC (213)
- February 13, '25 - 12:00 UTC (214)

23. Adjourn