Notes Tech Working Group Meeting

21 June 2009

David Archbold, .ky
Jay Daley, .nz (telephone)
Chris Disspain, .au, ccNSO Chair
Ondrej Filip, .cz
Eberhard Lisse, .na, Tech Working Group Chair (telephone)
Norm Ritchie, .ca
Gabriella Schittek, ccNSO Secretariat

- The role of the Working Group within the ccNSO was discussed. It was noted by Chris Disspain that whilst the Working Group so far had successfully organised the Tech Day, it needed to be considered if its functions shouldn't be broadened. Since the IANA Working Group had finished its work and closed down, it was felt that the logic place for a continuing liaison with the IANA would be the Tech Working Group.
- In order to fulfill its new role, the Working Group felt it needs to expand its
 membership, especially with hindsight to the recent resignations. It was pointed
 out that it would be beneficial if a regional balance of working group members
 could be achieved.
 - The ccNSO Council will be asked during its upcoming meeting to launch a call for new members to the Tech Working Group.
- It was pointed out that the scope of the Working Group charter needs to be amended in order to reflect its new role and purpose. It was suggested that Bart Boswinkel will work together with Eberhard Lisse on drafting a new charter during the next week. The new proposed charter will then be submitted to the ccNSO Council for approval at their next telephone conference. Once the charter has been approved, the Tech Day Chair shall contact Kim Davies, IANA, and ask him to open a new formal line of communication with the Tech Working Group on IANA issues.
- The Group was informed that ICANN might change the structure of its meetings, so that the Tech Day might no longer be held on a Monday. It was pointed out that it would be desirable to continue keeping the Tech Day connected to the SSAC meeting.
- It was asked whether the Tech Day could have a special budget again, as in 2008, instead of complying with the general travel funding deadlines. In light of the fast pace of technological change, it was felt it would not be possible to define what speakers would be sensible to invite so far in advance of the meeting, as required by the travel funding rules. Such funds would be controlled by the ccNSO Council directly (not by the Tech Working Group). This issue will be taken up and clarified with the relevant persons during the week.

 It was suggested that the operational aspects of IETF standard settings could be dealt with during the future Tech Days in order to make it understandable to the broader community. It was asked to have this idea explained and elaborated in a document so that the Working Group members can consider this.