# Programme Working Group Telephone Conference Notes
### 4 September 2013

**Attendees:**

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Katrina Sataki, .lv (Chair)
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### Update

- The ccNSO Council Chair, Byron Holland, has been added to the Programme Working Group mailing list as an observer.

- The Tech Working Group Chair, Eberhard Lisse, has also been added to the Programme Working Grouop mailing list as an observer; the Programme Working Group Chair Katrina Sataki has been added to the Tech Working Group email list as an observer.

### Lessons learned

- Less responses than usual were received and the scoring of the meeting was generally worse than the average.

- The best results were scored by the Financial Contributions session, followed by the Cross Regional Capacity Building Panel discussion and the session on Multistakeholder models.

- There was some concern that people did not really carefully consider their scoring, and that they scored "Average" or "Good" without remembering what the session really was about.

It was discussed whether there could be alternative ways of surveying the participants instead.

*ACTION 1: The Programme Working Group members to consider alternative ways of surveying meeting participants.*

- In order to improve the quality of the sessions, it was suggested to get the Regional Organisations more involved in the choice of speakers.

One suggestion was to ask the Regional Organisation Managers to provide the Programme Working Group with an overview of the three "Best Of" presentations given during the last months in their region. A mix of these presentations from all regions could then be given during the ccNSO meetings, allowing the participants to foresee which presentations they had already listened to.

Another suggestion was to ask each Regional Organisation Manager to suggest a speaker – if applicable – to a topic that is going to be dealt with during the ccNSO meeting. This would ensure a variety of speakers on the same topic from all regions.

It was also suggested to move some sessions, so that topics that tend to be of less interest are covered at hours where usually less people turn up (such as Wednesday mornings).

Finally, it was discussed whether it would be worth involving the ICANN Board, and especially the GAC in the agenda setting, by asking them for their feedback from the joint meetings and suggestions for future topics.

There was general agreement on this, however, it was also noted that making a survey at this moment probably would be somewhat premature, as the relations to the GAC and the way the joint agenda is set, is somewhat "messy" at the moment. The group was reminded that there is a "dormant" ccNSO/GAC Working Group, which used to set the joint meeting agendas – however, due to the lack of responsiveness from the GAC side, the group has become inactive. It was suggested to try to re-vive the group, to make it easier to set future agendas.

*ACTION 2: The Programme Working Group Chair to contact Keith Davidson, the ccNSO/GAC Working Group Chair, asking to try to revive the ccNSO/GAC Working Group.*

Another suggestion was to ask the members to each contact their individual GAC representatives directly, asking for input and suggestions for topics.

It was also discussed whether there has to be a joint ccNSO/GAC meeting at each ICANN meeting. It could be worth exploring if every second meeting would be sufficient.

Furthermore, it was noted that if a Working Group (such as the Framework of Interpretation Working Group) needed direct input from the GAC, it would probably be more effective if a direct meeting between the group and the GAC was set, as more targeted discussion could be held.

**Buenos Aires Meetings Agenda**

- A first suggested draft agenda was presented, noting that:

  - The Financial Contributions Working Group will, as always, start the meeting, as there is a need to discuss the contribution models with the participants before the joint meeting with the Board. However, as the Working Group is foreseeing to end their work at the Buenos Aires meeting, this will probably be the last time that slot will be required.

  - Although the general Working Group updates have been moved to Wednesday morning, the Framework of Interpretation Working Group has been granted a 30-minute slot on Tuesday morning. This is because the group has important results to present, which will have an impact on all ccTLDs.

It was noted that it would be good if the Framework of Interpretation Working Group Chair, Keith Davidson, could be asked to start the presentation by giving the basics, to make it easier for everyone to follow.

*ACTION 3: Gabriella Schittek to contact Keith Davidson and ask him to give a comprehensive overview, including the basics when presenting the Framework of Interpretation work results.*

  - The .nl registry has suggested giving a presentation on "DNS Botnet and Cooperation with Governments". If more presenters from other regions can be found, this could be turned into a separate session, perhaps a short panel discussion. If no other presentations can be found, it can be part of the "ccTLD News Session".

*ACTION 4: Gabriella Schittek to ask the Regional Organisation Managers from the African, Asian and Latin American region if they can think of similar presentations which would fit into a session.*

  - The Q&A sessions with the Councillors and ICANN Board candidates shall not be split.

  - A general "ICANN Update" session has been set at the end of the Tuesday, where all ICANN related updates have been moved. This includes the IANA update.

  - The suggested agenda made especially the Wednesday session far too packed. The suggested items need to be re-visited and some items perhaps postponed to the Singapore meeting. The Working Group members are encouraged to suggest topics that could be discussed instead.

*ACTION 5: The Working Group members to communicate topics they think could fit into the Buenos Aires agenda.*

*ACTION 6: The Programme Working Group Chair and Gabriella Schittek to revise the current agenda, based on feedback received.*

**Date of Next Meeting**

*ACTION 7: Gabriella Schittek to send out a doodle poll for a telephone conference to be held at the end of September.*