ccNSO Meeting days in Dublin (October 2015)

Feed-back on Feed-back

Questions/Comments: Accountability sessions

- The initial presentation that was prepared lacked structure and information when it started. The summary began to be understandable (for the rest of the community) when the presenters added a little more detail to their explanation (upon request of the audience).
- More dynamic and clear approach regarding IANA transition

Response

The Meetings Programme WG agrees that some of the CCWG related sessions appeared to be prepared very late and did not immediately strike the right tone. At the same time we also realise that the presenters wanted to inform about and engage the ccTLDs present in the latest developments, discussions and progress made by the CCWG Accountability. That required a more flexible and less structured approach.

Questions/Comments: Marketing session.

- This nonsense (marketing session) might impress the outer world (albeit even that is probably not the case), but we, as insiders, know better.

 Nevertheless, the factual part of the Dutch presentation was very interesting (but then this was not marketing but market research).
- More of the marketing as such speaks to the needs of ccTLDs
- More time for discussion Marketing.

Response

The Meetings Programme WG is aware that some of the sessions are interesting to some and less to others. We will continue to ask presenters to provide an extract of their presentations well before the meeting to allow participants to select those sessions they consider to be worthwhile.

Questions/Comments: Legal session

- Longer time slot for legal session
- More sharing on legal experience would be helpful and interesting

Response

The Meetings Programme WG acknowledges that Legal and Marketing information sharing sessions are sometimes less prominent on the agenda than we would like them to be. However, it should be noted that the length of these (and other) sessions depends on:

- 1) your activity therefore please volunteer to give presentations and share your experience with other ccTLDs,
- 2) time required by other sessions due to time necessary for discussions on IANA Stewardship transition related issues we will unlikely be able to extend other sessions in near future.

Questions/Comments: Timing of sessions and preparations

- We try to solicit discussion in the ICANN-related sessions (which is good) but when there is none, the chair, the moderator, and (a bit less) the panellists will just keep on talking in order to fill the time. On the other hand, we never have enough time for discussion in the reporting sessions.
- Suggestions: Perhaps we should be more flexible with the agenda: Start with the ICANN-related sessions each day and reserve ample time for them but if there is no discussion, just start with the reporting sessions earlier and let them use the time saved. Of course, this would be not very kind to those who only want to attend certain sessions and thus rely on the times given on the agenda but there should be a technical solution for this. For example, when starting a session earlier, there could be a break of 15 minutes and an alert could be sent out or posted at the ccNSO website.
- Perhaps some preparatory papers for tough discussions. Perhaps invite some of the less involved members a priority in asking questions
- Discontinue the practice of having a sequence of presentations and get to a live interaction.
- More time for questions and discussion in the reporting sessions (Legal, News, Marketing).

Response

The Meetings Programme WG understands and appreciates the need for more flexibility. However, due to the structure of our meetings in general, which also includes meetings with the Board and GAC, and fixed coffee break slots to align them with the general ICANN breaks, flexibility is limited.

The Programme WG will look into further expanding the use of summary papers and questions well in advance of the sessions. We will also look into further use of social media to inform the community on latest news, for example, starting times of the actual sessions on the agenda.

We will convey the wish to have a discussion after each presentation to the session chairs.

Suggested/Additional Topics

- Survival Strategies for the ccTLDs in the face of new gTLDs flooding the world.
- The ccTLD dispute resolution worldwide and the behavior of ccTLD registry with the domain name that has bad or illegal contents

- Internet Governance Outlook
- Legal and marketing sessions should be fixed sessions, just like ccTLD news.
- Security
- CCWG Accountability and CWG on stewardship transition status and timelines
- Continuation of developing understanding of the IANA transition and ICANN accountability. CWG & CCWG update + maybe introductory presentation on status IANA transition & accountability for members that have not followed this in detail
- Transition and Accountability. Start discussion on revocation. And with respect to issues dealt with in reporting sessions (eg. Legal), panel discussions could be useful (eg. pro & contra ccTLDs as property).
- DNNSEC, WHOIS,

Response

The Meetings Programme Working group is looking closely at these suggestions. We are constantly trying to find new interesting topics. At the same time it needs to strike a balance between the number of topics and information value for the attendants, which will limit the number of topics given the limited time of a meeting. As to the specific suggestion on revocation and retirement, the ccNSO Council has started exploring the process issues around a ccNSO Policy development process on the retirement of ccTLDs and the need for an Independent review mechanism with respect to the revocation and delegation of ccTLDs. This topic will definitely be on the agenda at future meetings.