

Call for volunteers ccNSO Policy Development Process Working Group Retirement of ccTLDs

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At its meeting on 15 March 2017, the ccNSO Council resolved to initiate the 3rd ccNSO Policy Development Process. The Council decided to first focus the efforts on the retirement of ccTLDs and directed the ccNSO secretariat to send out a call for volunteers for the working group dealing with this topic.

If you are interested in participating you are requested to submit your application to the ccNSO Secretariat by 28 April 2017, 23:59 UTC.

How to Apply for membership?

If you are interested you are invited to become a member of the WG you are invited to email your application to the ccNSO Secretariat or joke.braeken@icann.org by **28 April 2017, 23:59 UTC**.

By applying you commit to participate actively and regularly in the work of the WG and express to have at least a basic understanding of the Reference Material. By applying you also commit to the charter of the WG, including but not limited to the Internal decision making and standards of behavior (see: <https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/64078882/Charter%20Working%20Group%20%20Retirement%20ccTLDs.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1491832461435&api=v2>).

If you are not directly related to a ccTLD Manager but are interested to become a member, you will need to demonstrate active backing by a ccTLD manager.

Background

The goal of the working group (WG) is to report on and recommend a policy for the retirement of the delegated Top Level Domains associated with the country codes assigned to countries and territories listed in the ISO 3166-1 within the framework of the ccNSO Policy Development Process.

To achieve its goal, the WG shall initially focus on and be guided by the topics and issues listed below in section 1.3 If other topics and issues become apparent that are not listed and that in the view of the WG need to be addressed to achieve its goal, the WG should take these into consideration and inform the ccNSO Council and Issue Manager accordingly.

As this WG will undertake its activities within the framework of the ccNSO Policy Development Process, the limitations with respect to the scope of a ccPDP, specifically by

Article 10 and Annexes B and C to the ICANN Bylaws shall also limit the scope of the WG's work.

The high-level topics and issues the working group is expected to deal with are:

- Consistency of terminology
- What triggers a retirement?
- Who triggers retirement process?
- Additional conditions for retirement of a ccTLD?

What are conditions for actual retirement of a ccTLD? Is the occurrence of a triggering event sufficient or should additional requirements be in place?

- Compliance with conditions?

Assuming retirement of a ccTLD is conditional, who will monitor, and who will be held accountable, if at all, if requirements are not met?

Reference Material

- RFC 1591 (<https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1591.txt>)
- The ccNSO Framework of Interpretation working group Final Report, (<http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/foi-final-07oct14-en.pdf>)
- ISO 3166 standard (http://www.iso.org/iso/country_codes)
- CWG-Stewardship Final Report, Annex O: ccTLD Appeals Mechanism Background and supporting Findings Sections 1414- 1428, (https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/53779816/FinalTransitionProposal_11June.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1434047705000&api=v2).
- Issue paper to explore retirement of ccTLDs (January 2017): <https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/64068742/Issues%20to%20explore%20and%20define%20with%20respect%20to%20the%20retirement%20of%20ccTLDs-%20v3.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1491820583082&api=v2>