ccNSO Council Telephone Conference
8 May 2012

Attendees:

Lesley Cowley, .uk (Chair)
Rafik Dammak, GNSO liaison to the ccNSO
Keith Davidson, .nz
Fernando Espana, .us
Sokol Haxhiu, NomCom
Byron Holland, .ca
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ALAC liaison to the ccNSO
Young-Eum Lee, .kr
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Vika Mpisane, .za
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw
Barrack Otieno, AfTLD
Souleymane Outmtanaga, .ci
Ron Sherwood, ccNSO liaison to the ALAC
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi
Margarita Valdes, .cl
Peter Van Roste, CENTR
Hong Xue, NomCom

ICANN Staff:

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schittek

Apologies:

Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD
Juhani Juselius, .fi

1 Minutes and Actions ccNSO Council Meeting 17 April 2012

The Chair asked for comments or questions to the minutes and actions from the
Council meeting on 17 April. No comments were noted and the minutes were
approved.

Gabriella Schittek read the outstanding action from the previous call:

Action 72-04:
Becky Burr, Roelof Meijer and Bart Boswinkel to look at options for a ccNSO response to the
SSR Team Final Report and forward them to the ccNSO Council.
Bart Boswinkel reported that this action could not be completed due the short time
left of the public comment period after the Council call. The Chair noted that this
issue would be further addressed in later agenda items.

2 Updates

2.1 Chair

The Chair reported on her recent ccNSO related activities:

- Attended the Global iNET conference in Geneva and joined a panel discussion on internet governance.
- Participated in an SO/AC Chairs informal call and discussed the ICANN Academy proposal, the ICANN Board meeting schedule change and the ICANN budget.
- Received a letter from Elise Gerich at IANA asking for ccNSO input on the IDN Fast Track principles on protecting two-letter country codes. She noted that she would circulate the letter on the Council email list for discussion on next call.

Action 73-01:
The Chair to circulate the letter from Elise Gerich asking for ccNSO input on the protection of two-letter country codes on the Council email list.

2.2 Vice-chairs

Byron Holland reported on his recent ccNSO related activities:

- Attended the Stockholm Internet conference on Free and Open Internet, arranged by .se and the foreign ministry of Sweden.
- Attended the ARIN conference in Vancover and discussed a more extensive involvement in the Internet governance space.
- Met with the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Dr Touré and discussed future plans of the ITU.

Keith Davidson reported that he also had attended the Global iNET conference in Geneva, at which he was able to discuss and encourage involvement in the ccNSO and ICANN.

2.3 Councillors

Roelof noted his attendance at the Global iNet conference and further reported that the ccNSO had received a membership application from .sx and asked the Councillors to put forward any objections before upcoming Friday.

He further noted that a very recent application had been received from .is Island and Gabriella Schittek confirmed that the application had been forwarded to IANA.

2.4 Observers

Peter Van Roste reported that CENTR is preparing a resource page on WCIT. This page would contain basic briefing papers, similar to the ISOC version but more ccTLD oriented. He welcomed Councillors to share any information on local governments that are seeking input or organising public consultations in preparation of the Dubai meeting.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr reported that the ALAC working group on New gTLDs had made some progress and offered to share the recent developments on the ccNSO Council email list.

Action 73-02:
Cheryl Langdon-Orr to share the recent developments of the ALAC New gTLDs Working Group on the ccNSO council email list.

2.5 ccNSO Support Staff

Gabriella Schittek reported that the ccNSO Facebook page was launched and encouraged Councillors to visit it.

She further reported that the Local Events Calendar would be up and running at the ccNSO website shortly and thanked the Councillors for providing information on local events.

Bart Boswinkel reported that as a final step of the ccNSO improvement process he would draft a document for discussion regarding translation of key ccNSO documents. He noted that the draft document would be submitted to the Council prior to the Prague meeting.

3. ccNSO Statements Process

Bart Boswinkel explained that since the revised public comment process it had been difficult for the ccNSO to submit comments within the deadline. He noted that the ccNSO Guidelines would be reviewed to improve the process and added that the ccNSO could submit a statement to the ICANN Board expressing its concerns regarding the revised process.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr confirmed that the ALAC had experienced the same problems of keeping the public comment period deadlines.

4. Council Input to change ICANN Meeting Schedule

Roelof Meijer noted that very little information had been provided to why the Board meeting had been removed from the Friday schedule for the Prague meeting and that he had spoken directly with Board members to learn more. He noted that the objective of the Board was to increase the number of attendants by holding the meeting earlier in the week and also keep it shorter to avoid taking up valuable time with non-controversial subjects.

The email from Chris Disspain providing information to Council members was noted.

Keith Davidson agreed that further explanation was helpful and expressed concern that the new schedule might affect other meetings taking place during the week.

It was agreed that we would view the Prague meeting arrangements as a pilot and the Chair noted that the informal Council call with Board members subsequent to the Prague meeting should be a good opportunity to provide feedback reading the schedule change.

5. Cross Constituency Working Group Principles

The Chair thanked Bart Boswinkel for preparing a paper on cross-community work and asked him to run through any highlights of the content.

Bart explained that the paper contained a comparison between the proposed GNSO Cross-Community Working Group principles and the current arrangements of the ccNSO related cross-community working groups.

Bart further suggested that a cross-community charter-drafting group could be formed in order to establish guidelines for cross-community working groups.

The Council agreed that this would be a good way forward but noted the importance of keeping the work clear and high level to keep the work moving forward.

6. Working Group and Other Updates

6.1 Finance Working Group

Byron Holland reported that the Finance Working Group had not been able to move forward due to failure by ICANN to deliver the promised background information on finance issues.

Considering the number of reminders, the Chair suggested that it might be helpful to compile and submit to ICANN the times and dates of the reminders in order to inform discussions.

6.2 SOP Working Group

Roelof Meijer reminded the Council about the written update on the SOP Working Group and highlighted some further developments. He noted that ICANN had published the draft ICANN 2014 Budget but that the SOP Working Group would be unable to submit its comments in time of the deadline on 24 May and that the group would submit high-level preliminary comments within the time limit as a placeholder for the submission of the full version on 7th June.

The Chair suggested that the SOP Working Group should decide whether it would prefer the Council to send a formal request to extend the public comment period, or if the group would like to make the submission itself. She asked that Council should be informed of the decision via the email list.

Action 73-03:
The SOP Working Group to decide whether it would like to submit a request for extension of the public comment period on the ICANN 2014 budget or if the submission should be made by the ccNSO Council, and post the decision on the Council email list.

Roelof further noted that the ICANN Finance staff would no longer attend face-to-face community meetings but instead arrange for community briefings via telephone.

6.3 Framework of Interpretation Working Group

Keith Davidson reported that the FoI Working Group members have continued their work on revocation and that the group is aiming to publish a report on this topic for public comments in time for the Prague meeting.

6.4 Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN Working Group (JIG)

Bart Boswinkel reported that the issue regarding voting rights for new Working Group members had been resolved. Since the charter does not include any guidelines for voting it should be considered a non-issue. He further reported that since Tan Yaling would be leaving .cn, he would be replaced by another candidate as JIG Working Group volunteer.

6.5 Joint Security & Stability Working Group (DSSA)

Bart Boswinkel reported that the DSSA Working Group is preparing a progress report for the Prague meeting.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr added that any ccTLD input to the upcoming report would be of great value.

6.6 Study Group on Use of Names for Countries and Territories

Bart Boswinkel reported that the Study Group would continue to discuss the typology at its call the following day and that the group is working on a progress report for the Prague meeting.

6.7 Meetings Programme Working Group

The Chair noted that a written update was submitted by Programme Working Group Chair Ondrej Filip and forwarded to the Council email list.

6.8 Council Study Group on Capacity Building

Gabriella Schittek noted that Fernando Espana had volunteered to report back to the Council from the Study Group.

Fernando reported that the Study Group had considered a number of questions received by the ccNSO Chair. He noted that the group is working to come up with recommendations on capacity building in time for the Prague meeting.

6.9 Public Comment Requests

The Chair explained that a new SO/AC email list had been created in order to alert communities about public comment periods and noted that Vika Mpisane and Keith Davidson were subscribed to this list along with herself and Bart Boswinkel.

Vika Mpisane reported that the most important comment periods to note would be the Security and Stability Review Team report, which should be posted shortly and accompanied by two webinars as an opportunity for feedback. The second would be the public comment period for the GNSO Committee on Consumer Trust Choice and Competition Report, closing by the end of the day.

7 ICANN Academy Working Group: Appointment of Volunteers

The Chair reported that following six community members had volunteered for the ICANN Academy Working Group and that the Council must agree on two candidates:

Eberhard Lisse, .na
Nigel Roberts, .gg & .je
Grigori Saghyan, .am

Ron Sherwood, .vi

Hong Xue, ccNSO Councillor (NomCom)
Hongbin Zhu, .cn

After due consideration the Councillors unanimously agreed that Nigel Roberts and Hong Xue would be appointed to this Working Group.

8 GAC-ccNSO Council Meeting

Bart Boswinkel informed the Council that a GAC-ccNSO informational meeting would take place in Prague as part of the ccNSO review improvements.

He also presented the suggested topics for the usual GAC-ccNSO Joint meeting:

• Progress of the Framework of Interpretation Working Group
• Country Names Study Group/UNECO Survey & Progress of Study Group
• ccNSO View of the ICANN Ops Plan and Budget

The Council discussed ways to improve the interaction between the ccNSO and the GAC. Roelof Meijer suggested that the Council could designate specific discussion topics for the joint meetings.

Keith Davidson noted that the GAC members usually are a bit careful to engage in discussions at the joint meeting but seem to prefer deferring deeper discussion to working group meetings.

9 Joint ccNSO-GNSO Meeting Topics

Roelof Meijer offered to prepare a topic on the progress of the SOP Working Group. He further suggested that the New gTLDs should be included as a topic.

Keith Davidson proposed that the topic of misbehaviour and revocation could be adjusted in order to be relevant for the GNSO and could be listed as a topic for the joint meeting.

The Chair welcomed a compiled list of topics by for the next Council call in June.

Action 73-04:
Roelof Meijer and Juhani Juselius to compile a list of topics for the Joint ccNSO-GNSO meeting in Prague and present it on the next Council call.

10 Topics for Discussion Across Communities

The Councillors noted that several of the cross-community relevant topics had already been addressed under previous agenda items, but noted IPv6 and SOPA as possible topics.

Roelof Meijer also suggested that the future of DNS and possible ways to influence it would be an interesting topic for discussion.

The Chair asked Gabriella Schittek to forward the suggested topics to Filiz Yilmas.

Action 73-05:
Gabriella Schittek to forward the suggested topics for cross-community discussion to Filiz Yilmas.

11 Draft Agenda Prague Meeting

The Chair noted that the draft ccNSO agenda for the Prague meeting had been posted and asked the Councillors for comments. No comments were noted and the Chair thanked the Programme Working Group for the early posting of the agenda.

12 Liaison updates

11.1 ALAC liaison

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for the liaison report and asked the Councillors for comments. No comments were noted.

11.2 GNSO liaison

Since no liaison was present and no written report had been provided no update was received at this time.

13 Next ccNSO Council Meetings

The Chair noted the dates and times of the upcoming Council meetings:

12 June 2012, 12.00 UTC
27 June 2012, 16.00 CET (14.00 UTC)
28 August 2012, 12.00 UTC

14 AOB

The Chair noted that the Council is waiting for a report on the future direction of the Tech Day. Bart Boswinkel noted that the report would be provided at the Prague meeting and that the topic would be further addressed at the face-to-face Council meeting.

The Chair further noted that there was a general positive opinion amongst the Councillors to try using Adobe Connect as an additional conference tool. The Council agreed to use it for its next conference call and evaluate it at the face-to-face meeting in Prague.

The meeting closed.