

Agenda & Resolutions

ccNSO Council meeting 217

Thursday, 15 May 2025 (12:00 UTC)

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Background and supporting documents

- Council workspace for this meeting:
<https://icann-community.atlassian.net/wiki/x/D4wIBg>
- ccNSO correspondence: statements and responses:
<https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/statements.htm>

Agenda

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Welcome

a. SOI updates

Consult the [ccNSO SOI Guideline](#)

Complete the SOI [template](#)

Check the ccNSO [Statements of Interest](#)

b. Meeting Quorum

2. Relevant Correspondence

a. Letter from ICANN legal on Bylaw changes to implement recommendations 2nd CSC Effectiveness review - Item 6

3. Minutes & Action Items

a. Minutes Meeting 216

Circulated to the Council mailing list on 8 May 2025

b. Action Items Meeting 216

- *Action item 216-01 (Ongoing)*

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to share the minutes of the 1-on-1 meeting between the ccNSO leadership and the ICANN CEO with the Council, once they become available.

- *Action item 216-02 (Completed)*

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to share a reminder to Council with the link to the 360 review surveys.

- *Action item 216-03 (Completed)*

As a follow-up to action item 215-02, the drafting team will share the draft Council comment on the IFRT2 request for comments with the Council for review and feedback before its submission.

- ***Action item 216-04 (Completed)***

The ccNSO Council Chair is requested to inform the committees and working groups about the Council-approved schedule for the ccNSO working group and committee effectiveness reviews.

- ***Action item 216-05 (Completed)***

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to publish the adopted schedule for ccNSO working group and committee effectiveness reviews.

- ***Action item 216-06 (Completed)***

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to draft the Terms of Reference for the review of the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC), prior to Council Meeting 217

- ***Action item 216-07 (Ongoing)***

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to seek volunteers to perform the review of the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC). The team should be in place prior to Council Meeting 217.

- ***Action item 216-08 (Completed)***

Regarding the appointment of the members to the various working groups and committees, the secretariat is requested to inform the respective working groups and the secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible on the ccNSO website.

- ***Action item 216-09 (Completed)***

The ccNSO Council chair is requested to confirm with Molehe Wesi if he agrees to join the drafting team to prepare a ccNSO Council response to the How We Meet request for input, alongside Jodi Andersson and Pablo Rodriguez.

- ***Action item 216-10 (Completed)***

The drafting team is requested to prepare the draft ccNSO Council response to the 'How We Meet' request for input by 1 May.

- ***Action item 216-11 (Completed)***

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to seek volunteers for organizing the joint meeting with the RySG at ICANN83 and to improve the draft briefing paper by Council Meeting 217.

4. Intermeeting Council Decisions (since meeting 216, April 2025)

- a. Adoption Council Statement in response to the request for comments on 2nd IFRT Initial Report***

- b. Nominations for FY27 Community Planning Prioritization Group***

5. Intermeeting Decisions Triage Committee

There were no intermeeting decisions by the ccNSO Triage Committee.

UPDATES

6. Update ECA, IFRT & CSC (written updates)

- a. Need to defer 3rd CSC Review? Updates and next steps*

7. Update Working Groups (written updates)

- a. ccPDP3-Review Mechanism - Dormant*
- b. ccPDP4-IDN - Dormant*
- c. DASC*
- d. FIN2 WG*
- e. GRC*
- f. IGLC*
- g. MPC*
- h. OMC*
- i. PGA WG*
- j. SOPC*
- k. Tech WG*
- l. TLD-OPS SC*
- m. Triage Committee*
- n. UAC*
- o. CIP-CCG*
- p. Planning Prioritization Process group*
- q. RZERC*
- r. RSS GWG*
- s. ICANN How We Meet Group*

8. Update Liaisons (written updates)

Written updates - if any - are published on the wiki space for this meeting.

- a. Update ccNSO Liaison to ALAC*
- b. Update ccNSO Liaison to GNSO Council*
- c. Update ccNSO Liaison to UASG*

9. Update ccNSO Website redesign

10. Progress Board Consideration ccPDP4-IDN and ccPDP3-RM

11. Update Chair, Vice-chairs, Councillors, Regional Organisations and Secretariat

- a. Presentation LACTLD*
- b. Information session to the ICANN Board (pending board discussion)*

12. Update Council 360 Review

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS & DECISIONS

13. Closure PGA WG and adoption final report

a. Staff and former chair draft terms of reference study groups

Resolution

Background

The ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis WG (PGA) was established in June 2024, and commenced its work in August 2024. It was tasked to:

- Complete preparation of an overview of ccNSO policies and guidance related to ccTLDs and present the overview at ICANN81.
- Provide details to Council and ccTLD community on any gaps in the current policies, guidance or practices pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs, and other related IANA Naming Functions for ccTLDs (hereafter: Gaps, or Gap), and
- Advise the ccNSO Council if, the order and how these Gaps need to be addressed by the ccNSO.

The PGA has completed its tasks and submitted its Final Report to the Council for acceptance and to implement the Recommendations.

The Recommendations are:

- Maintain an Overview of Policies, related guidance, and practices relevant for ccTLDs
- Establish Study Groups on IANA Public Records and Disaster Recovery, and revisit the priority to establish future working groups, after one of the initial Study Groups has completed its work.
- Implement a process to document and handle potential gaps

The PGA also advises the Council to when establishing Study Groups, the Council should carefully consider the scope of work, expected deliverables, and working methods, along with specific guidance for each of the two initial Study Groups.

Decision

The ccNSO Council accepts the Final Report of the WG, and adopts the recommendations and will implement them, specifically regarding recommendation 2.

To start the Study Groups, staff and chair of the PGA are requested to draft the Terms of Reference for the Study Group for discussion and adoption in Prague, taking the advice of the PGA into account.

The Council wholeheartedly thanks the membership of the PGA and its chair and vice-chair for the timely delivery of the Final Report and recommendations contained in it. The secretariat is requested to close the working group on 30 May 2025.

The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. The resolution becomes effective 7 days after publication.

14. Adoption Election Report: Special Council Election European region

Resolution

Decision

The ccNSO Council adopts the special European Region Council election report as proposed and included recommendations. The adoption of the report closes the 2025 Special Council Election Process. The Council congratulates Nigel Roberts with his election and welcomes him to the Council, effective immediately. The Council thanks Joke Braeken for her work as Election Process Manager. The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. This decision becomes effective upon publication.

15. Adoption Terms of Reference MPC review and call for volunteers MPC review Team

Resolution

Background

The secretariat has drafted the terms of reference for the review of the effectiveness of the Meetings Program Committee (MPC) in accordance with the Guideline for review of working groups and committees, which was adopted in April 2025. The draft was circulated to the chair and vice-chair of the MPC to comment, and no comments were made.

Decision

The Council adopts the Terms of Reference for the effectiveness and efficiency review of the MPC. The Secretariat is requested to launch a call for volunteers as soon as possible, to seek members for the review team before the start of ICANN83.

The secretariat is also requested to publish this resolution. The resolution becomes effective upon publication.

16. Appointment members or chairs/vice chairs to committees and working groups, if any

Resolution

Decision

The ccNSO Council appoints the following people as:

- Chair ccNSO Council Triage Committee: Chris Disspain
- Vice Chair TLD-OPS: Guillermo Lama

The secretariat is requested to inform the various working groups and committees and persons appointed and publish this resolution as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

a. ICANN Call for Nominations: Universal Acceptance Expert Working Group

Resolution

Background

ICANN opened a [call for nominations for members of a new Universal Acceptance \(UA\) Expert Working Group](#) of up to 12 volunteers to provide guidance on promoting UA adoption. ICANN is inviting the At-large Advisory Committee, Country Code Names Supporting Organization, Governmental Advisory Committee, Generic Names Supporting Organization, and Security and Stability Advisory Committee to each submit one nomination by 25 June 2025. In addition, the ICANN President and CEO will invite a chair and up to six experts to join.

Decision

Following a [call for nominations for members of a new Universal Acceptance \(UA\) Expert Working Group](#), the ccNSO Council requests the Secretariat to launch a call for Expressions of Interest (Eoi) to identify candidates for the ccNSO appointment to the ICANN UA Expert Group. The call should open by 19 May 2025 and close by 30 May 2025.

The selection and appointment process will follow the [ccNSO Appointment Procedures Guideline](#), and will result in the appointment of one individual to serve as the ccNSO appointee to the ICANN UA Expert Group.

The Secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as feasible. The resolution becomes effective upon publication.

17. Approval ccNSO membership application Sri Lanka (xn--fzc2c9e2c / ලංකා) ccTLD manager

Resolution

Decision

The ccNSO Council approves the membership of the IDN ccTLD Manager of Sri Lanka (xn--fzc2c9e2c / ලංකා) and welcomes LK Domain Registry as member of the ccNSO. The chair of the Council is requested to welcome the new member accordingly. This decision becomes effective upon publication.

18. Open Public comments

a. *How We Meet: Reviewing the Implementation of the ICANN Public Meetings Strategy* Due 19.May

Resolution

Decision

The ccNSO Council adopts the [draft submission](#) on *How We Meet: Reviewing the Implementation of the ICANN Public Meetings Strategy*, and requests its chair to submit the comments by 19 May 2025. The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. The resolution becomes effective upon publication.

The ccNSO Council thanks Molehe Wesi and Jodi Anderson for their work to date in the Cross Community Group and in assisting in drafting the submission.

b. *Governance Document for the Recognition, Maintenance, and Derecognition of RIRs* Due 27.May

c. *Customer Standing Committee (CSC) changes Process for Amending the IANA SLAs* Due 2.June

SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS & DECISIONS

19. Introduction ccNSO Work Plan 01 July 2025 - 30 June 2027 and ccNSO Activity Monitor

20. ccNSO schedule ICANN83

a. *Block Schedule*

b. *Joint session with RySG*

21. Any Other Business (AOB)

22. Next Council Meetings

- 28 May 2025 | 12:00 UTC - Council Prep call for ICANN83
- 12 June 2025 | time TBC, Meeting 218 (ICANN83)
- 17 July 2025 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 219
- 21 August 2025 | 12:00 UTC (Meeting 220)
- 18 September 2025 | 21:00 UTC (Meeting 221)
- 30 October 2025 | time TBC, Meeting 222 (ICANN84)
- 20 November 2025 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 223
- 18 December 2025 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 224

23. Adjourn