Decision making ccNSO on CCWG proposal

The decision and scope of decision

By 21 December 2015 the ccNSO is expected to decide on the 3rd Proposal of the CCWG, i.e. to decide whether it can support the recommendations contained in the proposal or not.

In anticipation of this decision the ccNSO Council has discussed the parameters around the decision making process during prior Council meetings and at the Council workshop in Dublin and follows the process with respect to the CWG Stewardship Proposal.

Using this methodology, the Council should assess whether:

- The ccNSO appointed members on the CCWG and ccTLD participants support the proposal (by consensus, noting that unanimity is NOT required¹)
- The ccTLD community has reached a consensus support for the recommendations contained in the CCWG Report.

If the Council is of the view that these conditions are met, the Council supports submission of the Final Report and the recommendations contained in it to the ICANN Board of Directors. In assessing whether there is (rough) ccTLD community consensus support, the Council will take into consideration the level of outreach to the community and results of the discussions to date.

As became clear during the discussions at the Dublin meeting, moving this decision-making process forward is a necessary step with respect the IANA Stewardship transition, and timeliness of that decision is critical to stay within the anticipated window of opportunity for the Transition.

CCWG SO/AC Timeline

According to latest information (see timeline CCWG), the CCWG will submit its recommendations and summary report by 15 November 2015. The full report is expected to be submitted by 30 November to the chartering organisations. The chartering organisations are expected to provide feed-back (meaning: **decision to approve or need for additional work**) by 21 December 2015.

In addition to seeking support from the chartering organisations, the CCWG will also seek public comment from the community on its 3rd Proposal. Stakeholders organised through a chartering organisation will most likely be explicitly requested/urged to submit their views through their chartering organisation.

¹ See letters to CWG and CCWG co-chairs March and May 2015, http://ccnso.icann.org/about/holland-to-lise-et-al-08may15-en.pdf and http://ccnso.icann.org/about/holland-et-al-to-lise-et-al-26mar15-en.pdf

Dublin meeting

During the Dublin meeting in October 2015, the ccTLD community present extensively discussed the direction of travel of the CCWG, following the public comments and deliberations of the CCWG in Dublin.

The purpose of these sessions was three-fold:

- 1. Inform and discuss the recommendations to date of the CCWG with the ccTLD community present (both in person and on-line)
- 2. Seek "temperature of level of support" for the direction of travel for those recommendations
- 3. Establish baseline for comparison between what was presented under 1 and 2, and final set of recommendations.

The results of the Dublin sessions have been summarized and published².

ccNSO Decision schedule and ccNSO Decision

Based on the CCWG Timeline, and taking into account the ccNSO Council discussions to date a schedule for decision making has been prepared, leading to a decision by the ccNSO Council at a special additional Council meeting scheduled for 23 December 2015, noon UTC. Taking into account the rules of the ccNSO³, a decision of the Council becomes effective seven (7) days after publication.

The combined timeline of CCWG and ccNSO Council is included in Annex A.

² http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/overview-cwg-icg-09nov15-en.pdf

³ See section 6 Rules of ccNSO, http://ccnso.icann.org/about/ccnso-rules-dec04-en.pdf

Annex A: Timeline Council decision making

Legenda:

Council meeting				
CCWG to Council related				
CCWG Public comment related				

Date	Event	Action/Decision	Comment
November 15	Summary report with recommendations and summary of changes distributed to SO/AC	CCWG -> Byron,	Secretariat to distribute to ccTLD world list, include link
November 15	Beginning of Public Comment period	CCWG, announcement	Secretariat to inform community
November 19	ccNSO Council Call	GAP analysis discussion Dublin and results ccTLD discussion	Q & A with co-chair & WS leads CCWG
November 30	Detailed Report CCWG	Share detailed report with Council	
November 30	Detailed Report CCWG published for Public comment		Secretariat to inform community
December 10	Scheduled Council meeting	Additional Discussion, taking into account comment made to date.	Discuss draft resolution
December 21	Closure Public comment		
December 23	Special Council meeting	Formal Decision ccNSO Council	At closure inform CCWG and publish decision
December 24	Inform co-chairs of CCWG and chairs other SO/AC on decision	Chair of the ccNSO	
December 30	Council Decision is effective, unless 16 ccNSO Members object.	Secretariat to inform chair and co-chairs CCWG/	If 16 or more members object, members vote required.