

ccNSO Council Telephone Conference 21 January 2016

Attendees:

AF

Abibu Ntahigiye, .tz

Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

AP

Keith Davidson, .nz

Hiro Hotta, .jp

Debbie Monahan, .nz (Councilor-elect)

EU

Lesley Cowley

Katrina Sataki, .lv

Peter Vergote, .be (Councilor-elect)

LAC

Alejandra Reynoso

Demi Getschko, .br

Margarita Valdes, .cl

NA

Becky Burr, .us

Byron Holland, .ca

Stephen Deerhake, .as

NomCom

Christelle Vaval

Celia Lerman-Friedman

Observers/Liaisons

Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Observer to the ccNSO

Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Observer to the ALAC

Regional Organisations

Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD

Leonid Todorov, APTLD

Peter Van Roste, CENTR

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel

Joke Braeken

Kim Carlson

1 Apologies

Apologies were noted from Ching Chiao, Keith Drazek

Absent, no apologies received: Nigel Roberts, Young Eum Lee, Vika Mpisane

Chair reminded Councilors, attendance will be made more visible in the minutes as well as on the website.

Note: Meeting was quorate

2 Minutes and Actions

Minutes from the last Council call were distributed on 4 January 2016

The Chair asked for comments to the minutes, no comments were noted and they were approved.

All action items from the last Council call has been completed.

3 Stewardship Transition and Accountability Process

The Chair stated, in the past meetings, either Lise Fuhr or Mathieu Weill have been in attendance, but are not on this call, but did join the Special Council call. Not much has happened on the CWG side, however the Chair noted there was an ISTACC call, informal notes were circulated to the Council. The CCWG has received the Council's statement, which required fine tuning of the wording – The CCWG, through Mathieu Weill, responded, acknowledged and indicated appreciate of commentary. The Chair indicated there was recently a call between GNSO and ccNSO Leadership, it was made clear to the GNSO that the ccNSO statement was not unanimous.

3.1 CWG Stewardship

3.1.1 Confirmation of Replacement of Staffan Jonson

The Chair noted, of the appointed members of the CWG, a couple have participated very little, which is of concern. There is now an expectation of significant participation.

A call for volunteers was made by the secretariat, 3 applications were received. The Council recommended to appoint, Maarten Simon (.nl), who has been a regular participant.

Resolution 114-01:

The ccNSO Council adopts report on the replacement of a ccNSO appointed member of the CWG-Stewardship and appoints Maarten Simon as newly ccNSO appointed member of the CWG-Stewardship.

Action 114-01:

The secretariat is requested to inform Maarten and the co-chairs of the CWG-Stewardship.

The resolution was pass unanimously

3.2 Update CCWG Accountability

Becky Burr provided an update. She noted the CCWG has been working very hard, has been meeting twice a week, for three hours each meeting. Working on closing gaps – still having issues with Stress Test 18, which is contentious, otherwise, make good progress on other open issues.

No other comments or questions.

The Chair added there will be several sessions dedicated to CCWG, CWG and interrelationship, on Tuesday and Wednesday in Marrakech – whether or not there will be a vote in Marrakech will depend on timing and what the CCWG will end up looking like.

3.3 ICG Update

Keith Davidson updated the Councilors. He stated the ICG, is in hibernation, but had a meeting on 13 January to consider what to do if anything, while awaiting output from the CCWG. There was a lot of discussion, with no resolution, but some members of the ICG who would like to move ahead with filing current report with the ICANN Board and on to the NTIA – but the majority wants to wait to see proper outcome of the CCWG and CWG. ICG also decided not to have a formal meeting in Marrakech.

No other comments or questions.

4 FOI Implementation Update

Keith Davidson noted there was a paper circulated prior to the meeting, which was also discussed at the last Council meeting. He asked of anyone had any observations or discussions they wanted to raise – regarding whether IANA should hold records within or outside of the IANA database, and what it should include for each ccTLD, what would constitute the right methodology if it came to a revocation or retirement or transfer. Please send any comments or questions to him or to Becky Burr to consider off list.

The Chair commented this was a very important issue, and should be considered carefully.

Lesley Cowley added she read the circulated note with interest. She was previously a contact in the published IANA database, and was inundated with spam, etc. She believes the information should be kept but kept private, so if someone needed to contact someone, they are not lost in spam.

Alejandra Reynoso noted in chat: I think the person to be contacted is the Legal Representatives and this information should be private, whether it's kept in the same database, it doesn't matter.

No other question or comments noted.

The Chair reiterated the need to consider this carefully.

5 Meeting B Advisory ccNSO Programme WG

The Chair stated this is the first year the ICANN meetings will be organized differently, A B and C meetings, with different formats. Back in August, the Programme Working Group was asked to prepare and offer advice to the Council in terms of how to move forward.

Katrina Sataki added the Programme Working Group wanted to run a survey, asking their opinion, but it's really hard for people understand what the meeting B will look like – this year's meeting will still be occupied with transition issues, and next year we'll have more of an understanding what a meeting B will look like then readdress the issue then.

Keith Davidson asked if there is a move to reduce the amount of time for the ccNSO Member's meeting and attribute greater time to the cross community liaison role, which is the purpose of the B meeting (more cross community focused) – or if there is a transitional phase that will be applied this year.

Katrina Sataki replied it was hard to say at this point – the Working Group believes the ccNSO should not reduce the time for the members meeting.

The Chair suggested to raise this topic during the meetings that are schedule in Marrakech with other constituencies.

Resolution 114-01:

The ccNSO Council welcomes the advice of the Programme WG. Based on the advice the ccNSO Council decides to continue with three (3) meetings a year, at least until the end of the year 2017. The ccNSO Council will revisit the topic by August 2017 to organize the community assessment of the new format as advised. The Council itself will revisit the topic at the end of 2017. The secretariat is requested to include the community assessment and Council revisiting the topic in the annual work plan.

Peter Vergote asked for confirmation regarding the Sunday Council meetings, for the B meetings.

The Chair confirmed this has not been determined and will be discussed in Marrakech.

Action 114-02

Secretariat to include topic of meeting B in agenda with other SO/ACs in Marrakech

Action 114-03

Secretariat to include topic of meeting B on Marrakech agenda and the absence of Sunday Council meetings

Keith Davidson abstains.

The resolution was passed with one abstention.

6 ccNSO PDP on Retirement of ccTLDs and on IRP for Decisions on Delegation, Revocation and transfer of ccTLD

The Chair noted this was initially discussed at the 10 December meeting, and the need for this type of policy will become more urgent as the stewardship transition moves on, to insure predictability and provide policy guidance. Staff mapped out the PDP process and based on the initial mapping, it looks as if it will be at least 10 months (optimistically). The Council will need to decide how to move forward, considering the topics are linked between the CWG and the actual PDP, should topics be combined or handled separately. This topic will need serious consideration in the year ahead.

Keith Davidson mentioned this was a “chicken and egg” situation, as to what the cross community working group was doing in terms of the review process, to inform the PDP on the RFC 1591 appeal mechanism, or whether the ccNSO start the PDP right from the start, and that would inform the Independent Review Process for the CCWG. He believes the interlinking between appeals mechanism and retirement, means it could be done in a single PDP but with dual work stream role, but getting it done sooner rather than later would be helpful to the ccTLD community and to the ICANN Board.

Peter Van Roste added he has heard from some members that this issue being on the agenda, makes some of the GAC members nervous and would like more information.

Lesley Cowley expressed, in her experience with the PDP, whilst the Council should get on with it sooner rather than later, she does not think anyone should underestimate the workload, particularly considering the optimistic timeline in the paper, is followed. Further, the paper suggested it could be Fast Tracked, if Fast Tracked, the PDP process needs fundamental review, and given the expected level of concerns, probably isn't suitable for the process being used for the IDNs.

The Chair encouraged the Councilors if they have not read the document, to please make sure they have read it given it proper thought – it is a critical issue, and important for Council to be well versed.

Action 114-04:

A provide a clarifying statement from Council on PDP

No additional comments.

7 Council Updates

7.1 Chair Update

The Chair indicated he had a call with the GNSO Council leadership – first time this type of call has happened. It was, largely, an opportunity to get to know the new Councilors because of significant turn-over, including new Chair James Bladel and to provide updates. Focus was on Country and Territory names, more of an update for those unaware of this group and well as work of the CCWG, in terms of different perspectives.

7.2 Vice-Chair Update

No updates were noted.

7.3 Councilor Update

No updates were noted

7.4 Regional Organization Update

Peter Van Roste from CENTR stated next week in Brussels, there is a safety working group GAC meeting, and he will provide feedback and circulate. EURid is on the agenda to present. Outreach by GAC and by the European Commission (who is hosting), have been light toward stakeholders that matter, the TLDs

(both Cs and Gs) – will hopefully get the message across, that it would be appreciated included more in this discussion next time.

Agenda meeting:

<https://gacweb.icann.org/display/gacweb/GAC+Public+Safety+Working+Group?preview=/39944655/41582647/Draft%20Agenda%20PSWG%20meeting%2028%20Jan.pdf>

He continued saying the agenda includes specific practical things, but also future of WHOIS, issues that have a significant impact on ccTLDs – which fits into the importance of intermediary discussion. CENTR will provide a report, and will discuss during intermediary slot in Marrakech, if necessary.

Carolina Aguirre: Update from LACTLD concerning the creation of the four working groups: legal, marketing, policy and technical – which hopefully will be a good fit with the ccNSO meeting.

7.5 Staff Update

Bart Boswinkel noted Joke Braeken, new member of the ccNSO Secretariat, is on the call.

8 Working Group Update

8.1 Guideline Review Committee

Katrina Sataki noted good progress and hopes before Marrakech, to submit a packet of documents to consider. They are also preparing a presentation for the community in Marrakech, detailing analysis of their work. The Guidelines Review Committee is working on documents NomCom and ICANN Board.

No question or comments noted

8.2 CCWG Updates

Use of Country and Territory names: A written update was provided

CWG on CCWG Principles (Becky Burr): Draft proposal for discussion by the group today (21 January).

8.3 Programme Working Group

Katrina Sataki added the first draft agenda has been published on the website – it's mostly set, sessions around CCWG and CWG still need to be set. Will be compiling a one-page hand out, short summary of latest proposal. Marketing and legal sessions are set. Still need a few presentations for the ccTLD news. A meeting has been scheduled with ccNSO Board representatives and update on IANA – no meeting with the GAC.

8.4 EPSRP Working Group

Written update will be provided

8.5 TLD-OPS Standing Committee Update

Written update will be provided

The Chair stated Barbados joined, who are not members of the ccNSO – outreach continues.

9 Liaison Updates

9.1 GNSO Liaison (Patrick Myles). Written update will be provided to the list

9.2 ALAC Liaison (Ron Sherwood). Written update was provided in pack.

10 Work plan

Work plan update. January 2016 Work plan in pack

11 Date of Next Meetings

11.1 Next Council meetings

- 18 February 2016, noon UTC
- 09 March 2016. 17.00 local time Marrakesh (f-2-f) meeting
- April meeting TBD in cooperation with new chair, and vice chairs, and taking into account need to accommodate time-zones new Council.

11.2 Council and other meetings, ICANN Marrakesh meeting (5 – 10 March 2016)

- ccNSO Council Prep meeting, Sunday 6 March, 12.00-12.30 local time.
- ccNSO-ALAC meeting, Sunday 6 March 2016 17:00-17:30
- Joint ccNSO-GNSO Council meeting: Monday 7 March 2016, 12.15-13.45

12 AOB

Peter Van Roste noted he has heard from members and attendees, they are canceling their plans for Marrakech, mainly for insurance reasons. Will this change the type of meeting planned?

Bart Boswinkel added ICANN is going “full speed ahead” with the Marrakech meetings. A lot has been done to ensure security – there is no issues, and has heard the risk is considered to be “LOW”. There are no intentions or signals, ICANN has any plans to cancel.

The Chair stated he heard feedback that many of their registrar partners will not be in Morocco – and decided not to send any registrar or channel related staff. Policy and technology people will be in attendance.

Action 114-05:

Call for volunteers on Ethos: Call for volunteers will be resend again to the list.

The Chair reminded the Council that he will not stand again as Chair of the ccNSO. The Council needs to think about replacement and put succession plan in place.

13 Adjourn

Call ended 13.05 UTC