Singapore ccNSO Meeting Highlights

ccNSO Council workshop (Sunday 23 March 2014)

The ccNSO Council conducted its annual workshop on Sunday 23 March. Main agenda point of the workshop was to identify major topics for upcoming 18 months. IANA Transition Process was on top of the list. The results of this part of workshop will be driving both the high level work plan of the ccNSO and the agenda of the ccNSO meetings agenda.

ccNSO Council meeting (Wednesday 26 March 2014)

At its meeting the ccNSO Council adopted the charters of the cross-community working groups on:

- Use of Names of Country and Territories (listed on ISO 316-1) as TLDs. Purpose
 of this WG is to further review the issues pertaining to the use of country and
 territory names under the different policies (new gTLD, IDN ccTLD, RFC 1591),
 and, if feasible, develop a definition framework that could be used across the
 different policies
- Framework of principles for ccWG.

The Council also appointed a ccNSO Process Coordination Committee, which purpose is to coordinate the ccNSO efforts to participate in the IANA Functions Transition Process.

The following WG, ccNSO Council Committees were closed:

- Joint IDN ccNSO-GNSO IDN WG (JIG)
- ccNSO Election Review Committee

The ccNSO Council also adopted its assignment of roles and responsibilities (March 2014-March 2015), which is published at: http://ccnso.icann.org/about/guidelines.htm

Finally, Byron Holland (CIRA. .CA) was re-elected as chair, Keith Davidson (InternetNZ, .NZ) re-elected as vice-chair and Katrina Sataki (NIC.LV, .LV) was elected as new, second vice-chair.

Joint ccNSO Council meetings

The joint meeting with ALAC (Monday 24 March) focused on explaining to ccNSO Council the role of ALAC, ALS's and Ralo's and to ALAC the role of ccTLD in country and relation with ICANN.

The joint ccNSO-GNSO Councils meeting focused on management of joint WG's in particular best practices to run these groups and status of the ccWG on Internet Government, in particular on its lack of mandate form the SO's and AC's.

ccNSO Tech Day (24 March 2014)

As usual ccNSO Tech Day focused on technical operational issues relevant for TLD operators (both ccTLD and gTLD). The topics ranged from traffic measurement (RIPE Atlas and traffic measurement in general) to Security (Registry Scan Followup, Dictionary Attack, DNS: Attack & Defense) and Stability (Dynamic Zone Configuration, Mobile DNS Validation and Mark Validation System). Tech Day also included an IPv6 Mobile Roundtable.

ccNSO Meeting Days (25 and 26 March) IANA Transition Process

The major topic during the ccNSO meeting days was the IANA Transition Process,. It was the topic of 3 sessions:

- Explanation on the NTIA Statement on intent to Transfer Key Internet Domain Name Functions, by Mr. Larry Strickling and Mrs. Fiona Alexander;
- Perspectives on IANA transition, a panel, which included Kathy Brown (ISOC), Paul Wilson (APNIC), Jari Arkko (IETF), Milton Mueller (Syracuse University) and Paul Kane (Verisign) was interviewed, to solicit the views of the panelist on the transition process and potential impact and requirements from their perepctive.
- ccTLD community discussion on potential requirements and principles for the IANA Transition Process. The discussion resulted in the adoption by the Council of an initial statement on the relevant scope of the transition process from a ccNSO/ccTLD community perspective (see Annex A), which was presented by the chair of the ccNSO at ICANN's Public Forum, Thursday 27 march 2014.

The IANA Transition Process was also the "hot" topic during the Board-ccNSO meeting.

Related to the IANA transition Process, representative from the Asia Pacific region provided an overview of some of the discussions on Internet Governance in the region.

Other Sessions

ccTLD News Session

As part of the ccNSO meeting, the ccTLD news session focused on marketing activities of some ccTLD and the Finland's Government's proposal for Information Society Code.

ccNSO Security Session

At the ccNSO Security Session Patrik Fältström, chair of SSAC, informed the ccTLD managers present on the importance of the recently released SSAC reports SAC064 (Search List Processing) and SAC065 (DDoS Attacks leveraging DNS Infrastructure) for (ccTLD) registry operators. Further, ccTLD maangers presented on latest developments. This included updates on research results on Malware Mining in National Domains, improving cyber security through a bottom-up approach: the New Zealand Internet Task Force, and mitigation of Identity theft in .SG registries.

ICANN related sessions

The ccTLD community present was briefed on the need to consider the issues around Name Collision and its possible impact, and what ccTLDs could do to mitigate the risks. ICANN designated IANA staff provided the IAAN update, which now also included an overview of the activities of IANA, workflow for root zone changes, including the role of NTIA and Verisign, and service metrics and statistics.

Working Group and other meetings GAC-ccNSO meeting

In Singapore the ccNSO met with the GAC. Main topic was the progress to date of the Framework of Interpretation WG (FoI WG, a joint ccNSO-GAC WG), and the expectation that by the London ICANN meeting (June 2014) the WG will submit its Final report to both the GAC and ccNSO to seek their support for the WG recommendations.

The FoI WG finalized the glossary at its meting in Singapore, which will be published and included in the Final Report.

Other WG meetings

During the Singapore meeting, the ccNSO Incident Contact Repository WG, met to discuss the results of the survey it has conducted. The WG concluded that it will now present a final report to the ccNSO Council, recommending that initially a light weight email list should be implemented.

The ccNSO Strategic and Operational Planing WG met to prepare for the upcoming public consultations on ICANN's Startegic Plan and draft FY 2015 Operational Plan and Budget

Thank you and welcome

The ccNSO Council wholeheartedly thanked Roelof Meijer (SIDN, .NL) for his hard work and service to the community as Councilor from the European Region. The Council hopes he will remain involved in the activities of the ccNSO.

The ccNSO Council welcomes Nigel Roberts (ChannelIsles, .JE &.GG) as newly elected Councilor from the European Region.

The ccNSO also thanks the sponsors for its final sponsored lunch SGNIC (.SG), and the sponsors for the cocktail event APTLD, InternetNZ, Nominet, and SGNIC.

Finally, the ccNSO thanks the local host SGNIC for its hospitality and assistance.

Further Information

All presentations on the ccNSO Meetings Day can be found at: http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/singapore49/presentations.htm

All presentations on the ccNSO Tech Day can be found at: http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/singapore49/workshop.htm Audio recordings and transcripts of the (WG) meetings can be found at: http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/singapore49/transcripts.htm

The results from the ccNSO Singapore meeting Survey can be found at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=eweUwnXyvFTk0oTSTvMI7EsJIG46VE3Vp https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=eweUwnXyvFTk0oTSTvMI7EsJIG46VE3Vp https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=eweUwnXyvFTk0oTSTvMI7EsJIG46VE3Vp https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=eweUwnXyvFTk0oTSTvMI7EsJIG46VE3Vp https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=eweUwnXyvFTk0oTSTvMI7EsJIG46VE3Vp

Annex A ccNSO Council perspective on scope of the IANA Transition Process

The ccNSO recognizes the transition of the U.S. government away from its historical role in the management of the DNS is an important moment in the evolution of the Internet. It is a direct result of the success of the institutions that have successfully managed the Internet to this point. As the Internet grows and evolves, so too do the institutions and processes that govern it need to grow and evolve.

We view this transition is the next logical step toward a truly global Internet. As such, the ccNSO welcomes the opportunity to play an important role in the engagement to identify the steps forward for the Internet community. We would also like to express our support for the four principles set out by the NTIA.

The ccNSO council will take the lead in engaging the whole of the ccTLD community in this process. Recognizing the need to engage all ccTLDs and not just those who are members of the ccNSO, we will work with our partners to ensure that they have meaningful opportunity for engagement. We have established a steering committee of ccNSO council members, which will invite others, including representatives from the Regional ccTLD Organizations, to join this committee, and to begin to elaborate the process.

The ccNSO has identified the roles that NTIA plays which any transition proposal would need to take into account. These include:

- 1. Authorizing changes to the authoritative root zone.
- 2. Overseeing ICANN's performance of the functions set out in the IANA contract.
- 3. Overseeing Verisign's performance as the root zone manager.
- 4. Choosing the operator of the IANA functions and of the Root zone manager
- 5. Establishing the requirements and specifications under which the IANA functions and the Root Zone Management functions must be performed, and
- Overseeing ICANN's obligation to develop and implement consensus policies through a bottom up multi-stakeholder process, and to be accountable to all stakeholders for the outcome of its decision-making.