

**Draft Agenda ccNSO Council Meeting**  
*19 September 2019*  
*18.00 UTC*

**1. Welcome and roll call**

**2. Minutes & Action Items**

***Minutes***

Minutes of Council meeting 22 August 2019 [have been circulated on date] [to be completed].

***Action items***

152-08

Council to draft statement to send to other DP's and ICANN Secretary - how to improve rejection and approval action process handled by the Empowered Community and Legal.

On-going

Action Item 153-01:

The Secretariat is requested to publish the NomCom report on the ccNSO website.

Completed

Action Item 153-02

The ccNSO Council requests the Chair to ensure RZERC is informed accordingly of appointment.

Completed

Action Item 153-03

The Secretariat is requested to publish the amended Guideline as soon as possible on the ccNSO Website and inform the ccNSO members accordingly.

Completed: <https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/ccnso-nominations-icann-board-guideline-22aug19-en.pdf>

Action Item 153-04

The Secretariat is requested to publish this resolution (on Board nomination process) on the ccNSO website as soon as possible.

Completed

Action Item 153-05

The Secretariat is requested to propose next steps by the September Council meeting under assumptions of:

1. implementation of the recommendations of IDN PRT and
2. the Board accepting the proposal to conclude ccPDP 2 and the evolution of the Fast Track Process.

To be completed

**3. Intermeeting decisions (since 22 August 2018)**

- Submission Council Statement Draft report 2<sup>nd</sup> ccNSO Review.

- Proposal to appoint Frederico Neves as the ccNSO appointed co-chair of the IFRT.
- Approval of membership application ccNSO of .cg, .bj, .zm and .gl
- Submission letter to the ICANN Board of Directors on IDN ccTLD policy
- Submission ccNSO Council ATRT 3 survey

**4. Update “ccNSO membership” following transfer of management of ccTLD**

For information

**5. Update ccNSO related ICANN Bylaw Change Repository**

For information: the Bylaw change repository has been updated to reflect adoption of the Fundamental Bylaw change re IFRT by the ICANN Board of Directors at their meeting on 8 September 2019 ( <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2019-09-08-en#1.e> ) .

Need to reach to seek support from at least 2 of the 4 other decisional participants ( ALAC, ASO, GAC, and GNSO), and only one objecting.

**6. Update CSC membership (members and liaisons) approval process**

Background: The candidate envisioned by RYSG has stepped down due to change of employment. RySG is seeking new candidate, and they prefer to select one before the approval procedures start, effectively implying deferral of approval.

For information

**7. Update ccNSO Selection Boards seat 11 & Council Election procedures**

Informational

**8. Update IANA Function Review**

*8.1 Appointment Frederico Neves (.br) ccNSO appointed co-chair of the IANA Function Review team*

For decision

**9. Emoji SG Final report**

For adoption

Background: The Emoji Study Group intends to submit its final report by the Council meeting of 19 September 2019 for adoption. It is suggested to either take an email vote or decision at the September Council meeting. For your information the report will be shared before the upcoming meeting for informational purposes. The draft Observations and Recommendations are:

***Observations:***

- Potential for confusability with emoji is significant but is currently contained given the small number of registries which accept the registration of domain names which include emoji.
- Some in the emoji domain name industry have proposed Whitelisting as a potential solution to address confusability

## **Recommendations**

### **1. Dialogue**

Following the Study Group's efforts to liaise with as many relevant parties as feasible (including ccTLDs) one of the findings is that a full and frank dialogue with ccTLDs accepting emojis as second level domains should be continued and fostered. It should be ensured that both potential harms of and the reasons for accepting emojis should be well understood. This dialogue, however, will only succeed if all relevant parties participate. The ccNSO Council is requested to share the Study Group's final report with the ccTLD community, and in particular with those ccTLDs that have been identified by the Study Group as accepting emojis in second level domains.

### **2. Define and communicate consistently what is and what is not an Emoji.**

To understand the breadth of use and issues associated with the use of emoji in domain names the Study Group looked at the definitions of emoji which are currently available. One of the observations made was that In trying to arrive at an authoritative and all-encompassing definition of what is an emoji one may, at least for the moment, have to settle on referring to the latest version of emoji as documented by the Unicode Consortium (see above). However the Study Group is aware that this definition is unsatisfactory for many reasons. It is therefore recommended that the issue of definition of what is and what is not an emoji be further explored by the broader community.

### **3. Identification of cc's and others accepting Emojis in second level domains.**

As mentioned in the report, the Study Group used a variety of ad-hoc methods to identify ccTLDs that include emojis in second level domains. However the Study Group is well aware that these methods were not systematically developed, nor applied consistently across namespaces. One of the underlying issues is definitional in nature (see the previous point and related findings of the Study Group). To understand the full scope of the issues, a systematic and consistent research approach is advised to provide a sound basis for well-informed and evidence based discussions and recommendations. The Study Group therefore recommends that the ccNSO Council advises ICANN that, prior to taking further steps, ICANN and the broader community consider clearly delineating what it considers emoji and develop systemic methods to identify (cc)TLDs who include emoji (however defined) as second level domains.

## **10. IDN ccTLD policy development and related efforts: next steps**

See Action item 153-05.

## **11. ccNSO Organisational Review: Next Steps**

For discussion

Background: The Meridien Institute has submitted its final report

(<https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/ccnso-review-assessment-recs-final-29aug19-en.pdf>) .

## **12. PDP 3 Part 1 Retirement – Update**

Informational

**13. Council Workshop Montreal (ICANN66)**

- a. *Topics for Council Workshop,*
- b. *Organizing the workshop*

**14. Regular Agenda Montreal (ICANN66)**

- a. *Council meetings*
  - i. *Prep meeting*
  - ii. *Council meeting*
  - iii. *Joint meeting with GNSO Council*
  - iv. *Joint meeting with ALAC*
- b. *Tech Day & Members meeting*
  - i. *Tentative agenda members meeting*
  - ii. *Plenary topics*
- c. *WG meetings*
- d. *Joint meeting with the Board*
- e. *Outreach & On-boarding ccTLDs: Introduction to ICANN66 (Webinar 2 or 3 October, TBC)*

**15. Update ECA, CSC and RZERC**

- a. ECA
- b. CSC
- c. RZERC [placeholder]

**16. Updates chair, vice-chairs and Councillors, Regional Organisations, secretariat.**

**17. Updates WGs.**

- a. *GRC*
- b. *IGLC (progress to date)*
- c. *SOPC*
- d. *Meeting Programme Committee*
- e. *Auction Proceeds*

**18. Update liaisons**

- a. *Update ALAC Liaison (written update)*
- b. *Update GNSO Liaison (written update)*

**19. Next meetings**

- October 17
- November -Montreal (2-7 November)
- December 19

**20. AOB**

**21. Closure**