ccNSO Council Telephone Conference
15 February 2018

Attendees:

AF
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

AP
Debbie Monahan, .nz
Hiro Hotta, .jp

EU
Katrina Sataki, .lv
Peter Vergote, .be
Nigel Roberts, .je, .gg

LAC
Alejandra Reynoso, .gt

NA
Byron Holland, .ca
Stephen Deerhake, .as

NomCom

Liaisons/Observers

Regional Organizations
Barrack Otieno, AFTLD

ICANN Staff
Bart Boswinkel
Kim Carlson
Joke Braeken

1 Welcome and Apologies
Attendance list is available at: http://ccnso.icann.org/about/council/attendance.htm

Apologies: Jian Zhang, Abibu Ntahigiye, Abdalla Omari, Demi Getschko
Did not attend - no apology sent: Young Eum Lee, Margarita Valdes, Pablo Rodriguez

**The Council was not quorate during the call. All decisions will be made online via mailing list**

2 Minutes and Actions

Council was giving until 18 February to review/make comments.

Majority of Action Items complete – a few remain ongoing.

3 Overview inter-meeting Council decisions

Review of inter-meeting decisions:
  - Adoption ccNSO Statement on draft Operational Standards
    Submitted 2 February 2018.
  - Adoption requirement document NomCom appointees to the ccNSO Council
  - Appointment additional member PDP Retirement WG
  - Appointment additional members SOPC

4 Update & Discussion progress Work Track 5 Subsequent procedures (country and territory names Update)

Annebeth Lange provided a written update, will be distributed to the list.
The ccNSO Council Chair stated this will be discussed with both the GAC and GNSO at ICANN61.
Expectations of the working group letter was sent by the ccNSO – ALAC and GAC are expected to submit a letter as well.

5 ccNSO Travel Funding

5.1 Progress Guideline: ccNSO travel funding
The ccNSO Council Chair noted moving forward with updated guideline – stated the Guideline Review Committee (GRC) will send the guideline to the Council then later for public comment from the community.

5.2 Number of ccNSO travel slots FY 19 Budget

The ccNSO Council Chair reminded Council the ccNSO was assigned 17 travel slots for FY18, with a note to add additional slots. According to the draft budget, the ccNSO is assigned 17 travel slots. It now appears the ccNSO will be responsible for funding Tech Day participant/Chair of the Tech Working Group. She posed the question “are the current number of travel slots adequate?”.

Bart Boswinkel clarified up until recently, the Global Stakeholder Engagement of ICANN was responsible for the travel funding of the Chair of Tech Day, this will no longer be the case.

Nigel Roberts stated he believes the lack of travel funding slots are affecting the way the Council is run. The Council must be able to tell potential Council candidates they will get the support required and not have to work for a “rich registry” - at the same time the Councilors from the “rich registries” are disengaging from Council work because of time constraints, and those from smaller registries are not able to fully participate because they do not have the funding to travel. The Council should be fully funded just as ALAC and GNSO Council.

Byron Holland suggested he believes there is sufficient funding for all the Council, for those who request it. The question is who else should the ccNSO fund?
The ccNSO Council Chair confirmed there are 17 slots, 18 Councilors and 3 of the slots automatically go to the NomCom Councilors; 5 of the slots are one per region. She also noted disagreement in Nigel’s statement regarding potential candidates to the Council – there is a risk involved as being on Council should not automatically guarantee a travel slot to all meetings (and should not set that expectation).

Nigel Roberts added there is a disproportionate number of funded NomCom Councilors to regional Councilors – they are funded 3/3 meetings, while regional Councilors are 1/3. This may discourage participation – compared to the GNSO Council, ALAC and GAC travel slots. He also wanted to make clear, he was not making this statement for personal gain as he will not seek funding after the Barcelona meeting.

Byron Holland stated the ccNSO does not even meet half of the voluntary financial commitment – then in turn ask for additional travel funding – this does not reflect well on this community. It’s incumbent on the community to “own-up” to the financial contributions that were committed to.

Nigel Roberts replied he believes while Byron’s comments are true regarding the community – he believes the Council should be considered separately as part of ICANN Org.

Byron Holland asked is this a theoretical problem or an actual problem? Are there any Councilors seeking funding who are being denied?

6 GDPR implications secretariat activities

The ccNSO Council Chair explained the sign-up procedure for working group and other activities to be GDPR compliant – including additional steps that may be required for the TLD-OPS mailing list.

7 Study Group Emoji: Adoption draft Terms of Reference

The ccNSO Council Chair reminded Council the Board requested the ccNSO to consider the use of Emoji as Second level domains. Plan is to have two presentations, one during Tech Day, to address technical implications and the other during the Members Days, to answer questions from TLD managers.

**Decision to be made online via mailing list**

8 Update SSR 2

The ccNSO Council Chair forwarded an email to the Council from the SOAC Chairs to the team thanking them for their patience and highlighting things that are being worked on. Additional letters are being drafted, including one to the OEC of the Board. Candidates are actively being looked at.

Action Item 138-01:
The ccNSO Chair will forward letter regarding SSR2 from GNSO to the Council.

To summarize, the GNSO believes SSR2 would benefit from external facilitation. The letter from SOAC Chairs to the Board will also ask for this external facilitator.

9 Adoption revised Guideline: ccNSO Council Elections
**Decision to be made online via mailing list**

The ccNSO Council Chair explained this guideline has been waiting to be adopted by the Council because there was discussion started with NomCom regarding policy for removal of a NomCom Councilor (there was a placeholder for outcome of discussion). This Guideline is now ready for approval.

10 Special Elections European Region

The ccNSO Council Chair stated Nigel Roberts indicated he will step down from his position as a Councilor during 2018. His regular term would end in March 2020. It can be assumed a Q&A session would be required prior to filling the vacancy at one of the upcoming face to face meetings. There is not enough time to have it at the San Juan meeting. If done at the Panama meeting, elections would have to be done in July which is a high holiday time in Europe. If the Q&A session happens in Barcelona, there will be a time between Panama and Barcelona, EU will be short one Councilor.

Three scenarios were discussed.

The ccNSO Council Chair noted her belief running the Special Election in parallel with the Regular election would be the best scenario administrative-wise. To be discussed further later.

11 Approval updated membership application form

**Decision to be made online via mailing list**

12 PDP Retirement

Nigel Roberts reported Stephen Deerhake has been participating in the meeting preparations. Eberhard Lisse has been writing and reformatting working documents.

Stephen Deerhake added there will be one meeting prior to ICANN61.

13 CSC, RZERC and ECA related updates

13.1 CSC update (Byron)

Byron Holland just received the most recent report from PTI – which was a clean report. CSC is zeroing on remedial action process, draft was sent to ICANN legal and returned with extensive mark-up. Nothing to flag for concern.

13.2 RZERC update (placeholder)

The ccNSO Chair stated they have agreed on relevant procedural documents.

13.3 Empowered Community Administration update (Stephen Deerhake)

Stephen Deerhake provided an update on PTI budget and the rejection action petition period. Previously circulated an analysis of comments received. Based on comments received, he does not believe there is any basis for a rejection action petition. Believes there may be a rejection action petition regarding the overall ICANN budget. Controversy regarding the increase in headcount. GRC will be sending to Council shortly, the guideline for rejection action. He added the SOP WG is working on a statement to submitted shortly.
13.4 CSC Charter review (Abdalla)
Bart Boswinkel provided an update on the CSC Charter review team. Initial draft review will be discussed jointly with the CSC – hopes to publish before ICANN61. Most likely will recommend changes to the charter. One concern identified – there will be two reviews running concurrently, the CSC effectiveness review and the IANA functions review.

14 ICANN 61
14.1 ccNSO Council meetings
Review of Council-related meeting at ICANN61:
Sunday, 11 March (Day 2)
12:15-13:30 – ccNSO Council Preparatory Meeting (lunch)
13:30-15:00 – ccNSO Council Workshop
Work plan & Prioritization (for reference included mind map of activities)
Roles and Responsibilities / Tasks of Councilors
Monday, 12 March (Day 3)
12:15-13:30 – Joint ccNSO / GNSO
Tuesday, 13 March (Day 4)
11:00-12:00 – Joint Board / ccNSO – Room TBD
15:15-16:15 – Joint ccNSO / GAC
Wednesday, 14 March (Day 5)
17:00-18:30 – ccNSO Council Face to Face Meeting
Including, Chair and Vice-Chairs election

14.2 ICANN61 ccNSO Meetings Agenda
Alejandra Reynoso reviewed the ccNSO-related sessions as well as Members Day agenda.

14.3 Topics meeting with ICANN Board
A review of joint session with ICANN Board:

- Communication ccNSO related Board decision to ccNSO: Timing, interpretation of decision, work load impact.
- Impact of the leveling of ICANN’s funding on ICANN’s priorities and priority setting mechanism
- Next steps for adoption of the IDN overall policy

Board Topics for the ccNSO: two questions that the Board would like to submit to your attention for the upcoming face-to-face meetings in Puerto Rico:
- What are your key goals in 2018? The Board is interested in this question to make sure its own priorities are aligned with the community’s priorities.
- What are your most relevant longer-term goals? The Board is interested in this question because discussion about longer-term goals and strategic planning will commence soon between community, the Board and ICANN org.

14.4 Topics meeting ccNSO- GAC
- Progress WT 5 & role of ccNSO, GAC in process
- FAQ delegation, transfer and revocation ccTLDs: next steps
- Role of agenda committee

14.3 Topics meeting ccNSO-GNSO Councils
- CSC Effectiveness & IANA Function review
15 Council Updates - No additional update provided
15.1 Chair Update
15.2 Vice-Chair Update
15.3 Councilors Update
15.4 Regional Organizations Update
15.5 Secretariat update

16 WG update
16.1 GRC update (Katrina)
Rejection Action Guideline has been sent to Council for review. Will send to community, then two webinars will be held. Work on the Travel Funding guideline and Internal Review are planned.

16.2 CCWG Auction Proceeds (Ching) – not in attendance
16.3 CCWG Internet Governance (Young Eum) – not in attendance

17 Liaison Updates
17.1 GNSO Update
17.2 ALAC update

18 Next meetings (2018)
14 March – face to face, San Juan
26 April – 18:00 UTC
24 May – 12:00 UTC
27 June – face to face, Panama City
23 August – 12:00 UTC (July and Aug combined)
20 September 18:00 UTC
October – face to face, Barcelona (date tbd)
15 November – 11:00 UTC
13 December – 17:00 UTC

19 AOB
The ccNSO Council Chair discussed the need for changes to the Board Election Guideline – is a committee required to further discussion? Could this be something done by the GRC? Something to be discussed further at the Council Workshop in San Juan.

Stephen Deerhake further noted, he believes there should be an internal taskforce, to address items like background checks, what worked and what doesn’t, etc.

Nigel Roberts agrees with Stephen’s proposal that this inquiry is separate from the Election report – candidates should be asked for their feedback on the process. Does not believe the GRC is the right place to start – input from the candidates and anyone else involved in the election should be gathered first, including controversial discussions around due diligence. The ccNSO Council Chair noted, that in that case all previous candidates, as well as Council candidates should be given an opportunity to express their views on the procedure.
Byron Holland reported the Global Internet and Jurisdiction Conference would be taking place in Ottawa on 26-28 February. Will circulate additional information, including remote participation details, to the Council mailing list.

*Action Item 138-02:*

ccNSO Council Chair will circulate Resolutions on the mailing list for decision.

20 Closure