ccNSO Council Meeting
21 May 2020

Attendees:

AF
Abdalla Omari, .ke
Biyi Oladipo, .ng
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

AP
Ai Chin Lu, .tw

EU
Katrina Sataki, .lv
Giovanni Seppia, .eu
Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk

LAC
Alejandra Reynoso, .gt
Margarita Valdès, .cl

NA
Pablo Rodriguez, .pr
Stephen Deerhake, .as
Byron Holland, .ca

NomCom
Laura Margolis
Marie-Noémie Marques

Liaisons/Observers
Barrack Otieno
Miguel Estrada
Philippe Fouquart

ICANN Staff
Bart Boswinkel
Kim Carlson
Joke Braeken
1. Welcome and roll call

2. Minutes, Action Items & To-Do’s

The minutes of the 21 May 2020 meeting have been distributed [16 June 2020]

The Chair of the ccNSO Council reviewed open action items.

3. Intermeeting ccNSO Council decisions & Actions (since 16 April 2020)

Intermeeting decisions were reviewed.

4. ccPDP 3

a. Part 1 Retirement – Update

Informational: Public comment has been opened on 5 May 2020 and will close 10 July 2020. Feedback if any on webinar to solicit public comment.

b. Part 2 Review Mechanism – Update

Stephen Deerhake provided an update to Council.

5. IDN ccTLD related work items:

a. ccPDP4 Issue report

Bart Boswinkel provided an update. He noted the Issue Report has been available [to the oversight committee] since February. He also briefed the Council on background of this policy.

RESOLUTION 161-01:

In accordance with Annex B section 3 and 4 of the ICANN Bylaws, the ccNSO Council decides to:

Initiate the development of policy recommendations on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings (ccPDP4) to address the issues identified in the Issue Report dated 14 May 2020, taking into account that:

the Threshold criteria to initiate a ccNSO Policy Development Process have been met as documented in the Issue Report;

ICANN’s General Counsel’s opinion that that the development of policy for the selection and delegation of IDN ccTLDs is within the scope of the ccNSO and the ICANN policy process;

the recommendation of the Issue Manager to initiate a ccNSO Policy Development Process to develop and recommend a policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings.

To appoint one Working Group in accordance with the recommendations of the Issue Manager and adopt the charter, working method and schedule for such a Working Group.

The secretariat is requested to send out a call for volunteers by mid-July 2020 (post ICANN68) for the WG, and invite other stakeholders listed in the charter, to participate in the WG in the manner most suited to them.
As required under Annex B, the Chair of the ccNSO is requested to formally inform the Chair of the GAC and ask the GAC to advise or provide an opinion.

The secretariat is requested is publish this resolution as soon as possible. Upon publication of this resolution it becomes effective.

Moved by Giovanni Seppia
Seconded by Pablo Rodriguez
Passed unanimously

**Action Item 161-01:**
ccNSO Council to initiate the development of policy recommendations on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings (PDP4)

**Action Item 161-02:**
At the recommendation of the issue manager, appoint one (1) working group (PDP4)

**Action Item 161-03:**
Secretariat is requested to send out a call for volunteers [by mid-July] and invite other stakeholders listed in the charter, to participate in the WG.

**Action Item 161-04:**
As requested under Annex B, the Chair of the ccNSO Council is requested to formally inform the Chair of the GAC and ask the GAC to advise or provide an opinion

**Action Item 161-05:**
The Secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible.

Bart Boswinkel added there would be informational webinars prior to the call for volunteers. This new working group will introduce the use of subgroups. Other communities are interested in confusing string similarities and this would allow them involvement without [forcing] them to participate in the full working group.

b. Progress Bylaw Change
Bart Boswinkel noted, the report has been sent to ICANN Legal. Additionally, a letter was [previously] sent to the ICANN Board, which included proposed changes to the Bylaws. Board responded they will look into this and initiate a public comment on the proposed changes.

6. ccNSO Board Seat 12 Nomination process

a. Adoption Updated Guideline: ccNSO Board Seat 11 & 12 Nomination Process

**RESOLUTION 1621-02:**
The ccNSO Council adopts the amended version 3.5 Guideline: ccNSO Nominations Process ICANN Board Seats 11 and 12. The Secretariat is requested to publish this decision and the amended Guideline as soon as possible on the ccNSO website. This decision becomes effective seven (7) days after publication.
**Action Item 161-06:**
The Secretariat is requested to publish the amended Guideline as soon as possible on the ccNSO website (nomination process)

**Action Item 161-07:**
The Secretariat is requested to publish the resolution as soon as possible (nomination process)

Moved by Pablo Rodriguez
Seconded by Alejandra Reynoso
Passed unanimously


The Chair of the ccNSO Council reminded the Council of the nomination process and the need to amend the timeline (to start the process earlier to allow for due diligence process). She also noted, there would be a Q&A session with the candidates during ICANN69.

**RESOLUTION 161-03:**

The ccNSO Council appoints Joke Braeken (ccNSO Secretariat) as the Nomination Process Manager, in accordance with the relevant Guideline.

The ccNSO Council adopts the timeline and sequence of call for volunteers, background check, Q&A session with the candidate(s), and selection by the members of the ccNSO according to the Guideline amended at the 21 May 2020 meeting and as proposed. The Secretariat is requested to publish this resolution on the ccNSO website as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective seven (7) days after publication.

Moved by Alejandra Reynoso
Seconded by Giovanni Seppia
Passed unanimously

7. NomCom Review Implementation: Letter Chair of the review WP

The Chair of the ccNSO Council stated a letter was received from the Chair of the NomCom review Working party, asking a set of questions [which was sent to the ccNSO on multiple occasions]. A document was created to address the questions and was reviewed during the call.

Marie-Noémie Marques added during the call reasoning for her suggested text [on the document] on diversity.

The Chair of the ccNSO Council also noted there had previously been a lengthy discussion with the Vice-Chairs. This discussion included agreement that [we] can only have diversity if there is a diverse group of volunteers who step forward.

**RESOLUTION 161-04:**
The ccNSO Council supports the response to the Nominating Committee review implementation questionnaire as proposed and request the Chair of the ccNSO Council to inform the Nominating Committee accordingly.

Moved by Giovanni Seppia  
seconded by Pablo Rodriguez  
Passed unanimously

**RESOLUTION 161-05:**

The ccNSO Council adopts the proposed timeline, selection procedure and call for volunteers as detailed in the Selection Process ccNSO Member NomCom FY 2021.

The ccNSO Council requests the Secretariat to launch call for volunteers accordingly.

Moved by Pablo Rodriguez  
Seconded by Margarita Valdez  
Passed unanimously

**Action Item 161-08:**
The Secretariat is requested to launch the call for volunteers (NomCom member)

**Action Item 161-09:**
The Chair of the ccNSO Council is requested to inform the ICANN Nominating Committee of support for the response to the NomCom review implementation questionnaire.

8. Closure of follow-up discussion CSC Effectiveness Review on potential gap between remit of CSC and RZERC.

The Chair of the ccNSO Council reminded Council of the CSC Effectiveness Review. The report was published and one ccTLD asked Council for further clarification from ICANN Org. ICANN asked for clarification regarding this request. Council reached out to this ccTLD, with no response.

**RESOLUTION 160-05:**

The ccNSO Council will take no further steps to seek clarification and closes the query. The Council requests its chair to inform ICANN Org and the concerning representative from the ccNSO member.

Moved by Stephen Deerhake  
Seconded by Margarita Valdes  
Passed unanimously

9. Approval updated Terms of Reference Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC)

**RESOLUTION 161-06:**

The ccNSO Council adopts the amended version of the Internet Governance Liaisons Committee as proposed and request the secretariat to publish the updated term of Reference and inform the Committee accordingly.
Moved by Alejandra Reynoso seconded by Pablo Rodriguez Passed unanimously

10: Update ECA & CSC

a. ECA

The Chair of the ccNSO Council noted [we] have entered phase 2 of the rejection action process. On May 7th, the ICANN Board approved the Operating Plans. Per the Bylaws, a notice was received on 14 May. After the COVID “situation” happened, after review by ICANN, the numbers were revised. The issue is lack of community consultation. While [we] agree, reviewing the budget was the right thing to do, the process is what [we] take issue with.

Giovanni Seppia added he received comments from members of the SOPC – it was a responsible decision from ICANN, the questions were on the process not the decision itself. He noted having an informal call with ICANN’s CFO, Xavier Calvez, where he expressed these concerns.

It was suggested the Council draft a letter expressing understanding of these “special circumstances” (and congratulate ICANN on the move to revise the budget to take into account the current situation). This letter will “flag” the issues with the process and should not be considered as precedence to follow in the future.

Action Item 161-10:
Council to draft a letter to the ICANN Board expressing understanding of the “special circumstances” but note issues with the actual process.

b. CSC

i. Update from CSC – Bart Boswinkel provided an update, noting PTI performance was at 100%.

ii. Appointment ccNSO Appointed Member on CSC, consultation with RySG and approval of full membership

Bart Boswinkel provided an update.

RESOLUTION 161-07:

The ccNSO Council adopts the timeline as proposed for the selection of a new ccNSO appointed member on the CSC, and request the Secretariat to launch the call for volunteers at the time foreseen in the schedule and in accordance with the mechanism in the Guideline: ccNSO Actions respecting the Customer Standing Committee.

The ccNSO Council also re-confirms the appointment of the CSC selection committee: Katrina Sataki, Margarita Valdes, Pablo Rodriguez, Ai-Chin Lu, Souleymane Oumtane and Marie-Noemie Marques. The mandate of this Council committee will be to consult with the RySG and GNSO Council and approve the full slate of membership.
The Secretariat is further requested to inform the community as soon as possible on the upcoming CSC member nomination and selection process.

**Action Item 161-11:**
The Secretariat is requested to launch call for volunteers and inform the community of the selection process.

Moved by Stephen Deerhake
Seconded by Pablo Rodriguez
Passed unanimously

**11. Council updates (Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councillors, Regional Organizations, Secretariat)**

Stephen Deerhake noted the Tech Working Group will be hosting a virtual Tech Day at ICANN68, which will be DNSSEC-oriented.

**12. WG/Committee Updates**

GRC – Katrina Sataki noted the GRC is working on a guideline on recall of appointed Board members.
SOPC – Giovanni Seppia noted the SOPC will have a session during ICANN68.
TLD-Ops
Tech WG
IGLC
MPC – Alejandra Reynoso reviewed the high-level ccNSO-related sessions at ICANN68, as well as proposed members meeting topics.
CCWG Auction Proceeds

**13. Update liaisons**

Update ALAC Liaison (written update)
Update GNSO Liaison (written update)

**14. Upcoming Meeting**

a. Update, if any, ICANN68
Schedule ICANN68 meetings
Joint Meeting with GNSO Council
b. Council virtual workshop – The Chair of the ccNSO Council reviewed plans for the virtual workshop.
c. Meeting with the GAC
The Chair of the ccNSO Council reported on the webinars update Policy development efforts & “DNS Abuse” and ccTLDs prior to ICANN68
d. Schedule upcoming webinars
e. Next Council Meeting schedule

ICANN68 (Virtual): Wednesday 24 June 2020, Block 5 (23.00 UTC)
August 20 – 12:00 UTC
September 17 – 18:00 UTC
October @ICANN69
November 19 – 12:00 UTC
December 17 – 18:00 UTC
15. AOB

16. Closure