

Meeting Minutes

ccNSO Council meeting 205
Thursday, 16 May 2024 at 21:00 UTC

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Decisions

- Resolution 205-01:

The ccNSO adopts the voting report as submitted by the Voting Process Manager, notes the observations and requests the ccPDP4 Issue Manager to include a reference in the forthcoming Board Report. By adopting the Voting Report, the voting process is formally concluded. The ccNSO Council thanks Joke Braeken wholeheartedly for her managing the voting process. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

Action items

- Action Item 205-01:

Based on a strawman by the ccNSO Secretariat, the ad hoc gap analysis team will produce a draft charter for a future gap analysis working group, for consideration by Council and the ccTLD Community at ICANN80.

- Action Item 205-02:

Councillors are invited to review the proposed Terms of Reference for the ccNSO Onboarding and Mentoring Committee (OMC). The deadline for comments is Thursday, 23 May 2024 (23:59

UTC). The ccNSO Secretariat is expected to circulate a resolution for online adoption of the proposed ToR for the OMC. Adoption is to be completed by ICANN80.

- Action Item 205-03:

By ICANN80, the ccNSO Secretariat is expected to launch a call for volunteers for the following positions:

One (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC, one (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council, one (1) liaison to UASG, one (1) ccNSO delegate to the ICANN Nominating Committee.

- Action Item 205-04:

The ccNSO Secretariat circulates a resolution for online adoption of the proposed World Cafes Outcomes Report.

- Action Item 205-05:

Council is expected to address the need to appoint a CSC member and an alternate at Council Meeting 206.

Attendees

Africa

- Ali Hadji Mmadi, .cm
- Biyi Oladipo, .ng (Vice-Chair)
- Molehe Wesi, .za

Asia/Australia/Pacific

- Jordan Carter, .au (Vice-Chair)
- Ai Chin Lu
- Jiankang Yao, .cn

Europe

- Chris Disspain
- Peter Koch, .de
- Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk

Latin America/ Caribbean

- Demi Getschko, .br
- Jenifer Lopez, .pa
- Alejandra Reynoso (Chair)

North America

- Sean Copeland, .vi
- Stephen Deerhake, .as
- Pablo Rodriguez, .pr

NomCom appointed Councillors

- Olga Cavalli
- Wafa Dahmani

- Tatiana Tropina

Liaisons to ccNSO, appointed by ALAC and GNSO

- Desiree Miloshevic, GNSO liaison to ccNSO Council
- Laura Margolis, ALAC liaison to ccNSO Council

ICANN Staff

- Joke Braeken
- Bart Boswinkel
- Kimberly Carlson
- Claudia Ruiz

Invited Guests

- None

Apologies received

- Ali Hadji Mmadi, .cm
- Desiree Miloshevic, GNSO liaison to ccNSO Council

Background and supporting documents

- Council workspace for this meeting:
<https://community.icann.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=320405687>
- ccNSO correspondence: statements and responses:
<https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/statements.htm>

Agenda

1. Welcome and roll call

Welcome by the Chair of the ccNSO, Alejandra Reynoso.
There are no objections to the proposed agenda as circulated.
The Secretariat listed the apologies received.
Alejandra announced one item for Any Other Business.

a. Establish whether meeting is Quorate

Claudia Ruiz, ccNSO Secretariat, confirmed the meeting is quorate

b. Update Statement of Interest

No updates were disclosed.

Administrative matters

2. Relevant Correspondence

- a. ***Letter Larisa Gurnick, ICANN Org, on Pilot Holistic Review - Call for Volunteers and Preliminary Steps, to be discussed under item 19 (forwarded on 3 May 2024).***

3. Minutes & Action Items

- a. ***Minutes Meeting 204: Circulated 6 May 2024***

The prior meeting's minutes are approved.

- b. ***Action items***

All action items are completed. Action Item 204-02 was discussed during the meeting. No questions or comments were raised regarding this agenda item.

- Action Item 204-02:
Council to discuss the third CSC review at the May meeting. (Completed, see agenda item 17)

4. Intermeeting Decisions (since meeting 204, April 2024)

No questions or comments were raised regarding this agenda item.

- a. ***204-A***

Procedure to handle the requests for clarification and confirmations of interpretation section 2-6 Board report ccPDP3 RM

- b. ***204-B***

Approval letter to chair of the iCANN Board re amendment recommendation 7 and change of Article 4 of the ICANN Bylaws

- c. ***204-C***

Approval letter to Katrina Sataki and Patricio Poblete

5. Intermeeting decisions Triage Committee

No decisions were made since the last meeting

Updates

6. Update ECA, IFRT & CSC

Written updates were circulated prior to the ccNSO Council meeting.

No questions or comments were raised regarding this agenda item.

Alejandra Reynoso mentioned that we are currently in the rejection action period, as per the email staff circulated to the community on behalf of Sean Copeland, Rejection Action Petition Manager.

7. Update WGs

Written updates were circulated prior to the ccNSO Council meeting. Joke Braeken, ccNSO Secretariat, mentioned that additional updates were received, which would be added to the written updates document the next day.

- a. IGLC*
- b. GRC*
- c. SOPC*
- d. OISC (no meetings pending update charter)*
- e. TLD-OPS*
- f. DASC*
- g. Technical WG*
- h. MPC*
- i. UAC*
- j. Registrant capacity ad-hoc group*
- k. IRP Panel selection*
- l. CCG WS 2 Implementation*
- m. CIP-CCG*
- n. Prioritization Framework group*

8. Update liaisons

Written updates, if any, were circulated prior to the meeting. No questions or comments were raised regarding this agenda item.

- a. Update ALAC Liaison*
- b. Update GNSO Liaison*
- c. Update UASG Liaison*

9. Update ccNSO Website redesign

Stephen Deerhake, member of the small team of councillors working on the ccNSO website redesign, and Kimberly Carlson, ccNSO Secretariat, mentioned that good progress has been made. Kimberly thanks the volunteers from the community for their input on website visuals and functionality. Work continues by ICANN org, whereas the small team has no further meetings scheduled.

10. Update Triage Committee: Monitor portfolio of Activities 2024-2025

Nick Wenban-Smith, chair of the ccNSO Triage Committee, presented the latest ccNSO Portfolio Activities Monitor, following the recent quarterly review: Changes compared to the previous version refer to the questions by the ccPDP3-Review Mechanism Board Caucus. The ccNSO Council will hold a workshop prior to ICANN80 regarding the Activity Portfolio 2025-2026, and the community will be briefed about the latest status during ICANN80. Several Council members expressed their support for the approach regarding the quarterly updates.

11. Progress GAP Analysis & Response ccPDP3 RM questions

Jordan Carter, leading the gap analysis ad hoc team, provided an update on two topics: the work on the policy gaps, and the work regarding the Board Caucus questions.

- *Policy gaps*

Since the ad hoc team of Councillors has no clear mandate to date, a proposed charter for a future working group will be proposed to Council and to the community at ICANN80. Jordan referred to the mandate for such a future group, and the focus of the discussions with the community at ICANN80 as well as ICANN81. Alejandra mentioned the relation with the continuous improvement type of work for the ccNSO.

- *Caucus questions*

Jordan Carter referred to the upcoming meeting by the drafting team, and the composition of the team. Stephen Deerhake added that a document will be presented to Council for its consideration prior to ICANN80.

12. Update Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councillors, RO's and Secretariat

Alejandra Reynoso said that on the Sunday prior to the start of ICANN80, there will be a SO/AC chairs roundtable. Topics on the agenda include risk aversion, deferral of reviews and the process for bylaw amendments. No further information was available.

Administrative Matters & Decisions

13. Results Members Vote ccPDP4

a. *Voting Report for adoption*

Joke Braeken, ccPDP4-IDN vote process manager, gave a summary regarding content of the voting report, highlighting one observation where the vote process manager seeks guidance from Council regarding the anonymity of voting, noting that GRC will hold a World Cafe session at ICANN80 on how to improve membership voting. Alejandra Reynoso thanks Joke Braeken for the report: the graphs are helpful and the process is well documented.

The ccNSO Council adopted the voting report unanimously. The resolution was moved by Stephen Deerhake, seconded by Pablo Rodriguez.

- ***Resolution 205-01***

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b. *Next Step: Board Report*

Bart Boswinkel, issue manager, explained that the Board Report will include the outcome of the members vote on the ccNSO Council recommendation to adopt the proposed policy. Adoption of the Board Report is expected to happen at ICANN80. Afterwards it will be sent to the ICANN Board for its consideration. Once the policy is under Board consideration, it will go through a public comment period, and GAC will be formally asked for advice, as stipulated in the Bylaws. A Board Caucus has been established already.

14. Appointment Members to Committees and Working Groups, if any

There were no requests for appointments.

15. Update OISC Terms of Reference

Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO secretariat, introduced the OMC, the Onboarding and Mentoring Committee. This will be a new committee consisting of Councillors and non-Councillors, created as a follow-up to OISC, based on a review of the OISC and the outcomes of the previous World Café sessions. The draft Terms of Reference have been circulated and Councillors are invited to review and comment, by the 23 May deadline. Among others, the OMC will look into mentoring and onboarding processes at other SO/ACs.

Substantive Matters & Decisions

16. Review External appointments: next steps

Jordan Carter, Biyi Oladipo and Alejandra Reynoso - the ccNSO Council Chair and Vice Chairs - reviewed the appointments with the help of the Secretariat, to identify who is term-limited, and where new appointments are due. For the following positions a call for volunteers is needed:

- ccNSO appointed liaisons to ALAC and GNSO Council,
- liaison to UASG - noting the requirement for a liaison who is also a member of the UAC,
- ccNSO delegate to the NomCom

The call for volunteers is expected to be launched at ICANN80.

Alejandra referred to the AOB, regarding the appointment of a CSC member and alternate.

17. 3rd CSC Review: preliminary discussion how to handle the review

Alejandra Reynoso referred to the review of the SLAs, which need to be discussed with PTI, requiring additional time. Alejandra listed three options:

- Conduct full review as required under Bylaws and Charter CSC
- Do a de minimis review.
- Agree with GNSO Council and other CSC stakeholders to defer the review as suggested by the 2nd CSC review team (5 years after completion of the previous review) and inform the Board accordingly

Alejandra proposed these options could be discussed on 11 July 2024, when the ccNSO Council and GNSO Council will hold a joint session.

Nick Wenban-Smith strongly recommended option 3 stressed the importance to ccTLDs of Root Zone monitoring through CSC. Alejandra pointed out that the deferral of reviews is a topic of discussion at the next SO/AC Roundtable. Peter Koch mentioned that in his view, the issue is the overlap between reviews and implementation, and one should explore how to accelerate the implementation. Peter Koch further added that in his role of co-chair of the IANA Functions Review, he is well aware about the challenges and suggested looking into the reasons as to why reviews take so long. Bart Boswinkel spoke to the challenges of the second CSC review.

Alejandra reiterated that this discussion aimed to get a sense of the Council preference, and that no decisions were expected during this meeting. The approach will be further discussed with the GNSO Council in July. Councillors expressed their preference for option 3.

18. Discussion and decision on next steps outcome world cafés on keeping the ccNSO relevant next 7 years

Alejandra Reynoso referred to the suggestions that came out of the World Cafés. Two out of 28 suggestions were out of scope, whereas 5 were related to onboarding and mentoring. Other suggestions relate to the ccNSO-GAC relations, regarding participation in capacity building and ccTLD relations with their GAC-counterparts.

The World Cafe Outcomes Report has been circulated. Councillors are expected to adopt the report via an online resolution. Adoption of the Report closes the loop: following the World Cafe in Hamburg and the virtual follow-up post ICANN78, ccNSO Council reported back to the community regarding the outcomes, and proposed actions.

19. Discussion skills and expertise and timeline call for volunteers Pilot Holistic Review

Alejandra Reynoso asked whether the ccNSO should participate in the Pilot Holistic Review. Councillors agreed. Alejandra explained the selection process and timeline.

20. ccNSO relevant meetings ICANN80 (10 – 13 June 2024)

- a. Prep week ICANN80: 28-30 May 2024**
- b. Prep Council meeting**
 - i. Working session (conference call) | 30 May, 14:00 UTC.** Chairs and vice chairs working groups and committees were invited as well.
 - ii. Prep session ICANN80**
- c. Joint Meetings**
 - i. Joint session: ccNSO and GNSO Councils - 11 July 2024, 13:00 UTC**
(The meeting with the GAC is deferred to ICANN81)
- d. Special Event: Tuesday 11 June 2024- block 5**
Details to follow. There will be a cocktail after the visit to the Genocide Memorial
- e. Tentative Block Schedule**

Biyi Oladipo invited all to join the ccNSO Newcomer Webinar on 28 May. Alejandra spoke to the ccNSO-relevant sessions at ICANN80, including the ccTLD News Session, which was split into two parts. Jordan Carter mentioned that the preparations for the ICANN org WSIS+20 session are ongoing, however progress is slow, since there is no clarity yet on the purpose of this session.

20. AOB

Alejandra Reynoso referred to the heads up during the previous Council meeting, regarding the call for CSC appointments and the role of the ccNSO in the CSC selection process. Alejandra suggested adding the call for volunteers and related timeline and other matters on the agenda of the next Council meeting, meeting 206 at ICANN80.

21. Next Council Meetings

13 June 2024 | 11:45-13:00 UTC, Meeting 206 (at ICANN80)
18 July 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 207
22 August 2024 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 208 - may be deferred

19 September 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 209
17 October 2024 | 21:00 UTC, Meeting 210
14 November 2024 | time TBD, Meeting 211 (at ICANN 81)
12 December 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 212
16 January 2025 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 213
13 February 2025 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 214

22. Adjourn