

Highlights ICANN57, Hyderabad (IN) ccNSO Members Meeting 6 – 7 November 2016

ccNSO Council Meeting (7 November 2016)

- **Board Nomination Seat 11**

The ccNSO Council has nominated Chris Disspain as ICANN Board member, to be designated by the Empowered Community Administrative Committee to fill ICANN Board Seat number 11 starting at the end of ICANN's Annual General Meeting in 2017 for a term of three years. The Council also adopted the [Nomination Report for the Board Seat 11 Nomination Process](#), which concludes the process.

The ccNSO Council nominates Chris Disspain. The Council congratulated Chris on his nomination and expresses its deep appreciation for his services to date on the ICANN Board of Directors.

- **Council Elections**

The ccNSO Council adopts [the Election Report for the General Council Elections 2017](#). The ccNSO Council congratulates the elected candidates and notes that they will take their seat at the end of the ccNSO meeting at the end of the Council Copenhagen meeting, at ICANN 57 meeting.

African Region: Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

Asia-Pacific Region: Hirofuma Hotta, .jp

European Region: Nigel Roberts, .jj & .ge

Latin American and Caribbean Region: Alejandra Reynoso, .gt

North American Region: Stephan Deerhake, .as

- **Special Council Elections African Region**

The ccNSO Council adopts the [Election Report for the Special Council Elections for the African Region 2017](#). Abdalla Omari (.ke), the elected candidate, has taken his seat at the end of the Hyderabad ccNSO Council meeting and his term ends in March 2018.

- **Special Council Elections North American Region**

Becky Burr, the elected Councillor for the North American Region stepped down at the end of this Council meeting in Hyderabad to take her seat on the ICANN Board of Directors. Following her resignation, a new Councillor for the North American Region needs to be elected by the ccNSO members in NA region. The call for nominations and secondments can be consulted [here](#).

- **ccNSO PDP**

The [policy development process](#) regarding the retirement of ccTLDs and the development of a review mechanism for the decisions on delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs was first discussed during the [ccNSO Member Days. The focus was on a preliminary discussion of the _____ the _____ issues _____ that _____ have _____ been _____ identified \(https://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/hyderabad57/presentation-ccnso-pdp-review-mechanism-retirement-06nov16-en.pptx \) , which need to be addressed in the PDP.](#) The

Council decided to launch a call for volunteers for drafting teams for WG charters, which should include definition and refinement of scope of the issues identified. The draft charters will be included in the Issue Report, for consideration by the Council at its meeting at ICANN58.

- **Charter ccTLDWorld email list**

The charter of ccTLDWorld list was limited to the IANA transition and accountability related topics. As the transition has become effective, it was felt that the ccTLD community at large needs to be informed with respect to and by the CSC, RZERC and on related work and activities. By definition this is not limited to ccNSO membership and interested parties. As the the ccNSO has a defined role in consultation processes and after consultation of the ccTLD managers present, the ccNSO Council adopted the [charter of the ccTLD World list](#) as proposed by the GRC, and requested the ccNSO secretariat to take all steps necessary to align the current procedures and subscriptions with those proposed in the adopted charter and inform the ccTLD community accordingly.

- **ccNSO Guideline: ccNSO Nominations to Specific Review Teams**

The ccNSO Council adopts the ccNSO Guideline: [ccNSO Nominations to Specific Review Teams](#) as proposed by the ccNSO Guideline Review Committee (GRC WG)

- **Uniform Framework of Principles and Recommendations for Cross Community Working Groups (CCWG)**

The ccNSO Council adopts the [final report of the CCWG to develop a Uniform Framework of Principles and Recommendations for Cross Community Working Groups and the framework proposed by this CCWG](#). The ccNSO Council invites ICANN's advisory committees and Address Supporting Organisation to also adopt the framework. The GNSO Council has adopted the final report at its meeting on 13 October 2016. The ccNSO Council congratulates the CCWG with the end result and want to thank the members, in particular the co-chairs Becky Burr (ccNSO co-chair) and John Berard (GNSO coc-hair) for their hard work.

- **Adoption Charter CWG Auction Proceeds**

The ccNSO Council adopts the [charter of the CCWG new gTLD Auction Proceeds](#) and by adopting will participate as one of the chartering organisations. The chair of the ccNSO is requested to inform her counterparts in the other Supporting Organisations and Advisory Committees accordingly.

The ccNSO secretariat will send out a call for volunteers to fill the slate of 2-5 ccNSO appointed members. This call for volunteers will not be limited to the ccTLD community directly. Representatives of organisations, closely related to ccTLD managers, with experience in the areas to be considered by the CCWG new gTLD Auction proceeds will also be invited to participate .

- **Call for volunteers for ccNSO liaison to ALAC**

Ron Sherwood has fulfilled the role of ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC well over six (6) years. Ron indicated he will not continue and resigned in August 2016. The ccNSO will run a call for volunteer for ccNSO liaison to the ALAC as soon as possible to fill the vacancy.

- **Appointment Christelle Vaval on ccNSO Council Travel Funding and Triage committee**

Celia Lerman Friedman will step down at the end of the Hyderabad meeting as NomCom appointed ccNSO Councillor. Celia was member of the travel funding and triage committee. After consulting with current NomCom members, Christelle volunteered. The ccNSO Council appoints Christelle Vaval as member of the ccNSO Travel Funding Committee and Triage committee taking effect after the ICANN57 meeting.

- **Thank you and welcome**

The ccNSO Council welcomed Jian Zhang, NomCom appointee, and Abdalla Omari (.ke), Council Member African Region, as its new members.

On behalf of the ccNSO, the ccNSO Council thanks the local host NiXi for their warm welcome and assistance, and in particular for sponsoring the ccNSO cocktail and assistance in organizing it. The Council also thanks the other sponsors: CIRA, InternetNZ, SIDN, USAG, .BR, DNS Belgium and Nominet. The ccNSO Council expresses wholeheartedly its thanks to Vika Mpisane (.za) and Celia Lerman Friedman (NomCom) for their years of active service on the Council, and hope they will remain active in the community. The ccNSO Council thanks Ron Sherwood (.vi) and extends its sincere appreciation for the many years of service provided to both the ccNSO and the greater ICANN community. Finally, the ccNSO Council thanks Becky Burr, for all her years of service on the ccNSO Council and to the ccTLD community. ([video interview](#)).

ccNSO Tech Day (5 November 2016)

Tech Day (<http://sched.co/8cz6>) is a workshop open for all community members, with an interest in technical topics related to registry work, security etc.

A copy of the agenda and the presentation slides can be found here: <https://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/hyderabad57/workshop.htm> All presentations are available and audio and transcript are available under “Audio & Transcripts” <https://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/hyderabad57>

ccNSO Members’ Meeting Days (6-7 November 2016)

On Sunday 6 and Monday 7 November, we welcomed participants at the **ccNSO Member Days**. The ccNSO Member Days are open to all with an interest in ccTLD related topics. A detailed [agenda](#) of the ccNSO Members meeting, together with [session summaries](#) is available on the [ccNSO website](#). All presentations from this ccNSO meeting can be found [here](#).

The **Legal, Marketing and ccTLD News session** had for the first time a topical approach, which resulted in high-level presentations and follow-up discussions around the following topics:

- **Legal:** *the evolving model of Internet governance, local policy development implications for ccTLDs*. Contributions included an update by .jp on the amendment of the Japanese Telecommunications Business Law; an update and lively discussion on data protection and privacy in a joint presentation by ECO and I2Coalition; the changing management and regulatory framework in .za and a first-time sharing of the results from the summer 2016 public consultation on how to fight cybercrime in .dk.
- **ccTLD news:** *How to stay relevant in a maturing market? Innovation for and by ccTLDs*. The audience appreciated high-level contributions from .ca, .cn, .uk, and .pr on how they reinvigorated themselves and innovated in new markets.
- **Marketing:** *Domain name statistics & trends*. This session included an update by the local host, on marketing initiatives and registration trends, for .in and an update on .ru’s statistical monitoring system and on overview of ICANN’s

health index initiative. The session was concluded by a contribution from a registrar, 1&1, on their view of the ccTLD space, with tips on how to better work together in promoting ccTLDs.

Updates and next steps regarding ICANN accountability were provided, and the ccNSO further explored its own accountability and transparency and how it can be improved. This session was led by Jordan Carter, and included an update of the work done by the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC). The ccNSO also focused on the **completed IANA Stewardship Transition** (how does it affect ccTLDs and what are the implications for the future?)

Some of the main findings:

- The Intellectual property rights transfer still ongoing
- The NomCom needs to set up a nomination process for the PTI Board
- The Customer Standing Committee (CSC) has been set up, and has an operational oversight role to ensure customer satisfaction for the PTI customers. Jay Daley (.nz) and Byron Holland (.ca) are the ccNSO appointed members, and there are 2 additional GNSO appointed members. Byron Holland is CSC chair.
- Service Level Expectations (SLEs) for the "Post-Transition IANA" organization, filed under the name Public Technical Identifiers (PTI), who is performing the IANA functions pursuant to an IANA Naming Functions Contract with ICANN and subcontracts with ICANN for the performance of the numbering and protocol parameter services. Several SLE categories are in place, most are public, but one only accessible for the ccTLD that requested the change. PTI outputs to the community include [the SLE \(service level expectation\) dashboard](#), updates to root zone and database, monthly reporting to iana.org.
- The Root Zone Evolution Review Committee (RZERC) is the group that will be reviewing issues relating to the architecture and operational systems for the DNS Root Zone as it evolves. Peter Koch (.de) is the appointed member on behalf of the ccNSO.

Other ccNSO Member Days session highlights:

- **Update by the CWG on the use of country & territory names as TLDs ([CWG UCTN](#))**

The Group has finalised its discussion on 2-letter codes, deciding that the status quo should be maintained: 2 letter codes (in ASCII) should remain reserved for cc-TLDs in accordance with the ISO List. After analysis of the community feedback on 3-character codes, a straw-person proposal on 3-character codes was presented and discussed during and following ICANN55. A broad cross-community session was held in Helsinki, where valuable input was received that has been taken into account by the group, focusing on the feasibility of a harmonized framework for the use of country, territory and other geographic names. The Working Group will present a progress report to the community and is working on developing its Interim Report for public comment, which includes the consensus views to date, the issues that the Cross-Community Working Group has surfaced and the conviction of the WG that a harmonized framework is not feasible. To assess whether such a framework would be feasible is the first task the WG has to undertake according to its [Charter](#). The Group is working on developing its Interim Report for public comment, including the consensus views to date, the issues faced, and the conviction by the group that a harmonized framework is not feasible. During its [meeting in Hyderabad](#), the Group mainly discussed the recommendations to be included in the Interim Report.

- **Update by the Strategic and Operational Planning (SOP) WG**

The goal of the [SOP Working Group](#) is to coordinate and organise participation of ccTLD managers in ICANN's Strategic and Operational planning processes. The operating plan 2018 is to be published in March 2017. Cost reduction and efficiency improvement exercise at ICANN continues. With regards to ICANN global engagement there are so far no measurements for the quality of the engagement efforts. This makes proper control, assessment and improvement difficult. ICANN is currently working on making hubs fully operational.

- **PTI update on the IANA Services to the ccNSO**

The "Post-Transition IANA" organization, filed under the name Public Technical Identifiers (PTI), is performing the IANA functions pursuant to an IANA Naming Functions Contract with ICANN and subcontracts with ICANN for the performance of the numbering and protocol parameter services, meaning that if a ccTLD operator makes a change request for admin contact, they will still send it to the same people as previously, except the organisation is now called PTI.

Elise Gerich outlined the background to the IANA stewardship transition process and current status. She was designated president of PTI by the ICANN Board. More information <https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2-2016-08-11-en> . PTI outputs to the community include [the SLE \(service level expectation\) dashboard](#), updates to root zone and database, monthly reporting to iana.org. A short live demonstration of the SLE dashboard was provided, and all operational details can be found on <https://pti.icann.org>

- The ccNSO is launching a **Policy Development Process regarding the retirement of ccTLDs and the development of a review mechanism for the decisions on delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs and retirement of ccTLDs.**

An update on the issues identified and details associated with this was provided by Bart Boswinkel (Issue Manager) and Becky Burr (.us). In addition the procedural aspects were discussed:

- Whether or not to combine the topics of retirement and Review Mechanism for decision regarding delegation, revocation, transfer and retirement of ccTLDs into one single formal policy decision process
- Secondly, the Phasing of a formal ccNSO Policy Development Process as defined in Annex C of the [ICANN Bylaws](#) (section 3: Structure of ccNSO PDP and tentative minimum timeline PDP).

Based on experience to date, this will be largely determined by the scope of a policy development process or policy related process (DRD WG/FOIWG) and underlying issues that need to be addressed. After consulting the ccTLD community present and at the suggestion of the Issue manager , the ccNSO Council decided to set –up drafting teams for charters of Wg that will work on the issues. The drafting teams should focus on a definition and refinement of scope of issues that need to be addressed through the PDP. The draft charters will be included in the Issue Report, for discussion at ICANN58. The ccNSO Secretariat will launch a call for volunteers for these drafting teams.

High Interest Topics

Two so-called “**High Interest Topics**” were organized by the ccNSO:

- A [Q&A session with ICANN General Counsel](#) on **the legal advice that ICANN receives and how that supports the ICANN mission**. The outcome of this session is a step forward in transparency around the production of legal advice, a better understanding of the operating practices the legal team works within, and ideas how to continue this process to increase community scrutiny of legal advice

received by ICANN.

- [How to do outreach within each SO/AC](#) is the second session organized under the ccNSO's auspices, with the aim to develop or refine a strategy to seek potential volunteers and to (re)-engage both new and existing groups.

Presentations, Recordings and Transcripts, Survey Results

- All **presentations** from the ccNSO Members meeting can be found at: <http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/hyderabad57/presentations.htm>
- **Recordings and transcripts** of some of the meetings are available at: <https://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/hyderabad57/agenda.htm>
- **Members Meeting Satisfaction Survey:** <https://ccnso.icann.org/announcements/announcement-07nov16-en.htm> and results on <https://ccnso.icann.org/surveys>