

Proposal for a Limited Scope of the RDS Review (formerly the 2nd WHOIS Review)

Suggested Approach:

- Limit Scope of the RDS Review to a “Post Mortem” investigation of the implementation results of the last WHOIS Review Team by:
 - Requesting that the SO/AC leadership select (following the new Bylaws) a small group of review team members that have either participated in, or tracked closely, the 1st WHOIS Review Team’s Recommendations.
 - Requesting the ICANN organization to do a "self-assessment" reporting on a) the extent to which each recommendation was followed and/or implemented; b) the effectiveness in addressing the issues identified by the First WHOIS Review Team; and c) the need for additional implementation.
 - Specifically request that the Review Team exclude the issues that are already covered by the PDP on the Next Generation of Registration Directory Services to Replace WHOIS.
 - Suggesting that the new RT focus on evaluating the self-assessment and to the extent that it is found to not be insufficient or inaccurate, augmenting it to create a full evaluation of the First WHOIS Review recommendations.
 - Suggesting that the work be conducted & completed more quickly than normal, such as asking that the Final Report be issued within six months

Next Steps:

- Circulate proposal to SO/AC leadership to socialize with their respective SO/ACs
- Discuss with Community in Hyderabad at the WHOIS High Interest Topic Session
- SO/AC leadership to issue a public statement or a letter to ICANN CEO and Board Chair that explains why limited scope is appropriate and articulates that they have broad support of the ICANN community
- Call for Volunteers to note limited scope & unique expertise sought
- Reach out to the previous Review Team members and members of the Expert Working Group on Registration Directory Services, and encourage them to consider applying for the narrow scoped RDS Review Team
- Propose a Charter for the RDS Review Team to adopt that tracks the limited Scope