

Meeting High lights

1. The use of the names of territories in the new gTLD process.

During the session with the Board members Peter Dengate Thrush, Mike Silber and ICANN's CEO Rod Beckstrom, the Board and ccTLD managers discussed the proposed method to protect territory names in the new gTLD process. In particular it was unclear to the ccTLDs present why the ccNSO and GAC recommendations on this issue had not been accepted. The ccTLDs present reiterated their view that under the new gTLD process the names of territories should not be allowed, until the IDN ccPDP is closed.

At its meeting the ccNSO Council formed an ad-hoc working group to draft a letter to the Board and to be submitted in the consultation process on the Application Guidebook. Chair of the WG will be Hilde Thumen and Annebeth Langen of the .NO registry.

2. IDN Fast Track, IDN ccPDP

The participants at the ccNSO meeting welcomed the proposed Final implementation plan without further discussion with the exception of the variant section in the report. In the view of the ccTLDs present the use of variants in the context of the IDN Fast Track Process, still needs to be clarified, in particular a clearer description of what is considered a variant, allocatable string under that track process.

3. Redirection – next steps

In order to understand the issues associated with “redirection” the Korean registry explained their reasoning to use redirection as defined by the SSAC. Ram Mohan and Steve Crocker from the SSAC explained the views of the SSAC regarding redirection and why it is considered bad practice. The ccNSO Council will set-up a small ad-hoc study group to summarise the issues associated with “redirection”, and liaise with SSAC and the Stability, Security and Resilience group of ICANN. The study group will also liaise with the ccTLDs who are currently using “redirection” to solicit their view and report to the Council and ccTLD community at the Nairobi meeting.

4. Update on delegation, re-delegation and retirement WG:

The schedule and duration of the WG under the current charter will need to be adjusted to accommodate the working method and schedule as proposed by the working group. The substantive work of the WG will commence after the Seoul meeting. The first area that will be reviewed is delegation, followed by retirement

and finally re-delegation. It is anticipated that at the Nairobi meeting there will be substantive discussion with the community on delegation practices.

5. Survey of the Strategic and Operational Planning Workgroup

At the ccNSO meeting the SOP WG presented the results of the survey they conducted among ccTLD managers on what they perceive to be the most relevant strategic priorities as formulated in the Strategic Plan 2009-2012. The results of the survey will be publicly available. At its meeting the ccNSO Council decided to inform the Board on the outcome of the survey.

6. Incident Response Planning

The Incident Response Planning working group was established at the Sydney meeting to propose a work plan to the ccTLD community at the Seoul meeting. The WG discussed the draft plan with ccTLD community on Tech day and during the ccNSO meeting. The next phase is implementation of the plan and further detailing of the plan. The ccNSO Council adopted an amended charter to enable implementation of the proposals in close cooperation with the Security, Stability and Resilience department of ICANN. Norm Ritchie of .CA was appointed chair of the WG.

7. Joint GNSO- ccNSO IDN WG

Under the current charter the WG would have closed at Seoul, unless both GNSO and ccNSO Councils agree to extend the duration. The proposed duration is now until IDN ccTLD policy development process recommendations or new gTLD implementation plan is adopted.

8. At the ccNSO meeting sessions were conducted on the following areas of interest:

Marketing strategies and awareness campaigns in ccTLD space, IRT proposals under new gTLD process, Sharing Resources among ccTLDs, ccTLD news, WHOIS in ccTLDs and under IDN TLDs, ICANN's contingency planning and the IANA update.