Delegation and Redelegation Working Group Call
10 September 2009

Attendees:
Donna Austin, ICANN
Alioune Badara Traore, .ml
Bart Boswinkel, ICANN
Keith Davidson, .nz (Chair)
Kim Davies, ICANN
Chris Disspain, .au (ccNSO Chair)
Jayantha Fernando, Sri Lanka
Byron Holland, .ca
Anne-Rachel Inne, ICANN
Staffan Jonson, .se
Young-Eum Lee, .kr (ccNSO Vice-Chair)
Eberhard Lisse, .na
Slobodan Markovic, .rs
Vika Mpisane, .za
Kristina Nordström, ICANN
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw
Nigel Roberts, .gg
Bill Semich, .nu
Suzanne Sene, USA
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi

Apologies:
Annebeth B. Lange, .no
Desiree Miloshevic, .gi
Oscar Robles, .mx

1. Welcome

   • Bart Boswinkel welcomed everyone to the Delegation and Redelegation Working Group's first call and repeated the goal of the Working group, which is to advise the ccNSO Council whether it should launch a policy development process to recommend changes to the current policy for delegation, re-delegation and retirement of ccTLDs.

2. Select chair of the WG and alternate chair

   • Bart Boswinkel informed the group that the first thing on the agenda is to select a chair. Chris Disspain pointed out that the chair of the Delegation and
Redelegation Working Group needs to be a person who is neutral to the Working Group issues and at the same time has a deep understanding of the issues and sensitivities involved. Chris Disspain nominated Keith Davidson for the position. Eberhard Lisse seconded the nomination and Keith accepted it. Nobody opposed. From this point, the WG Chair commenced chairing the meeting.

- An alternate chair is to be selected from the list.

3. Deliverable: goal to advise the ccNSO Council whether to launch a ccPDP. By Seoul: Topic Presentation*

- Dotty Sparks de Blanc asked the group about the dimensions of the Working Group issues and whether the group is to only handle the procedural matters or to go deeper. Nigel Roberts replied that it’s likely that the matters at hand might need more than just a procedural examination. Chris Disspain agreed but also pointed out that the purpose of the Working Group is not to set policy but to come to a conclusion on whether there are any matters of concern in respect to the Delegation and Redelegation issues, perhaps with suggestions for possible solutions. The Chair agreed and emphasised that it is about defining the issues and reporting them back to the ccNSO. Eberhard Lisse added that he thinks it is important to define where to start and to get an overview of the ccTLD procedures from the beginning to the end.

- Bart Boswinkel explained that the long term goal is to present a Topic Paper, which is an overview of the Working Group’s issues. Although, since there is a lack of time between the summer holidays and the Seoul meeting the deliverables have been set to a Topic Presentation, which is meant to be a rough version of a Topic Paper. Based on the outcome of the Seoul meeting the Working Group will address the issues at hand in more detail.

4. Method to prepare topic presentation

- The group discussed whether the issues of the Working Group could be identified prior to the finalisation of the Topic Paper. All members agreed that it is important to get the structure set before starting the actual work.

- Bart Boswinkel explained that a successful method for other Working Groups has been to update the first draft of the elaborated document through online comments and conference calls.

- Chris Disspain suggested that the group focus on developing a bullet point structure of the topics before the Seoul meeting. Since he and Bart were to meet during the following week he further suggested that they would make a summary of the current situation in order to send it out the group shortly. The Chair welcomed the suggestion.

*Action 01-01*
Chris Disspain and Bart Boswinkel to summarise the work so far for the Delegation and Redelegation Working Group, and to distribute it the group.

- It was decided that during the next Council Call, the ccNSO Council will overview the Working Group timetable and make possible suggestions for modification.

- Chris Disspain pointed out that apart from recommending or not recommending a PDP the Working Group could recommend other actions, such as dialogues between different parties.

- Bill Semich suggested that if any relevant court cases relating to subjects to be discussed by the WG are available they be sent to the WG.

5. Next meetings. F-2-F meeting Seoul

- The Delegation & Re-delegation Working Group meeting in Seoul will be held on Thursday, 29th October at 13.00 local time. The meeting has been listed at ccnso.icann.org/calendar and the room details will be available shortly.

6. AOB.

7. Closure