

ccNSO Council Call

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1. ICANN Regions

CD—the current status is that there is an intention from the ICANN staff to do a review before Sao Paulo. We discussed this issue in some detail in Marrakech. We can assume that the review will take place in the normal way and ask the community to provide comments prior to the review.

I suggest that we put out a call now and ask for comments, and we could put out a discussion document based on what Donna sent out to us today.

DS—doing work with ARIN, its interesting to look at the RIRs and go to their website and list each country about ...they list who serves the members. There are quite a few Caribbean countries that ARIN serves, I think the problem is the numbers and North America. Should look to some of those countries.

CD—there are I think two issues. Do the current regions serve us as ccTLDs properly and, should we have a rule, that if you are deemed to be a territory of another country that you sit in that Country's region. A number of Arab nations don't like

that under the current regime they are part of the Asia Pacific region or the African region.

CS—discussed with Mohamed, in general we were talking about something that happened 3 years ago, a consortium talked about having their own regions, 22 countries from North Africa and Asia Pacific who wanted to see how they could move to a region of their own as their concerns are similar, as are their cultures and policies that need to be discussed. They would feel they had more power. The manager of .jo at the APTLD meeting advised that he would renew his participation in APTLD but if we had something for our region that would be a better idea.

CD—So, let's put out a request for comment from ccTLD managers so that we can build a formal submission to go to ICANN.

BT—I don't have a problem with the concept but I think we should canvass the membership with a few simple questions about this and things around this so we can base our way forward on the responses. When we get writing in English some subtleties will be lost, Council should do a very small survey with main questions, anytime you touch regional issues it becomes very political.

CD—if we did a document which described the current status and asked a number of specific questions, is that it?

BT—should be yes or no questions, pick from these answers so we get a sense of what we're looking at.

YE—my understanding is that we are talking about increasing number of regions? [possibly] That would involve a major restructuring of our bylaws.

CD—two scenarios, one is for the purpose of the ccNSO we would like regions to be different, or we think for all of ICANN the regions should be different, which would also involve a bylaw change, but the first would be less complicated. There is nothing to stop one supporting organisation within ICANN to have a different set of regions for their own internal purposes. Geographic diversity on ICANN Board would remain between five existing regions, but the ccNSO Council would be different. The RIRs have precedent for this as they have only had four regions in the past, and that was accepted.

OG—when is ICANN expecting input?

CD—don't know. I have been told that the review will happen soon and that a decision on the submissions can be dealt with in Sao Paulo. Donna and I will work on this in the next week or so, a draft document will be sent to the Council for comment and approval, we aim to get a questionnaire out to everyone in the next few weeks or so.

2. ICANN Budget

CD—what we agreed in Marrakech was that the Budget Working Group would use the presentation that we provided to create a proposed model for the self-select banding. Eva, will you organize a call with the Budget Working Group and we'll work on a document. We need to get clear what the bands are and put out a document for consensus. [Yes]

OG—it might be useful to remind that there is no weighting on voting according to the contribution.

3. ccNSO Secretariat

CD—we agreed in Marrakesh to seek another person from ICANN to provide Secretariat services. I have sent a note to Paul and had a chat with Denise and she will organize to find a person to be our Secretariat in the same what that Glen is the Secretariat for the GNSO. The goal is to have the person in place by Brazil.

DS—will it be an existing person or someone new?

CD—it's not a fulltime job but whether they'll get a new person or offer up someone already there I don't know.

4. ccNSO Work Plan

CD—the current working groups are:

- IANA Working Group
 - Oliver Guillard, Lesley Cowley
 - Mohamed El Bashir, Alan Levin
 - David Farrar, Bart Mackay
 - Francisco Arias, Fredrico Neves
 - Keith Drazek, Bernie Turcotte

The IANA working group is ongoing.

The GAG is the one we agreed in Marrakesh to reinvigorate. The GAC now has new people lined up. Our members are:

- GAC Working Group
 - Oscar Robles-Garay
 - Bart Vastenburger
 - Keith Davidson
 - Paulos Nyirenda
 - Keith Drazek

We should check that all of these people have the time to contribute to the work of the group and if they don't have the time then we should think about changing personnel. I propose that I send a note to current members asking if they continue to contribute to this group and do they have the time. Is that okay? [yes]

The Technical group comprises:

- Technical Information Sharing Working Group
 - Eberhard Lisse
 - David Archbold
 - Ondrej Filip
 - HanSan Lee
 - Francisco Arias
 - Olivier Guillard
 - Slobodan Markovic

There will be a technical workshop in Sao Paulo.

BT—the workshop is for technical people. Norm Ritchie from CIRA and Eberhard have agreed on a schedule for full day on Thursday at the Conference Centre. Hartmut has made space available. We will be concentrating on DNS things, this is not meant to be an introduction, it is meant for those who do it on a daily basis, to go over best-practices and establish a network of people in the same room.

CD—it is also intended that the working group will produce a proposal for sharing information. I'll get an update from EI as soon as possible.

BT—the final agenda for the Technical Workshop should be out in the next 10 days.

CD—we have three inactive working groups which should be disbanded

- Secretariat Working Group
- Accountability Framework
- Fee Apportionment

I'm going to formally write to everyone and disband those working groups.

OG—the IANA Working Group is open to ccNSO members and non members. Although the number of participants is good to work and ensure a well balanced representativity, some other ccTLDs have asked to participate as members. The working group is in the process to propose some membership mechanism to allow a rotation system of members.

CD—can we assume that on our behalf the IANA working group will be considering the review of IANA's procedures relating to root zone management that Kim Davies sent a note to the members list about on 19 August?

OG—I can't guarantee at the moment that the IANA working group will reach a common position, I've sent a summary of the discussion to the ccNSO Council. We will try to produce comments. 30th of September is the deadline for comment.

CD—this is something that is clearly within the charter of the working group so if you can do some work on coming up with some comments that would be fantastic. I think the closing date for comments is 30 September [yes]

OG—we will work on that.

5. IDNs

CD—GNSO council is meeting in Amsterdam next week to discuss among other things the terms of reference on IDN issues. Donna will be there as well. I've had a conversation with Bruce Tonkin and I think the ccNSO should form an IDN working group to consider:

- what the ccNSO should do on IDN issues
- what policy issues should be considered jointly with the GNSO,
- liaise with the GNSO and prepare a report on the current status and future steps for the ccNSO on IDN issues

It is also proposed that there will be a joint gNSO and ccNSO meeting in Sao Paulo. I propose to send out a note to the ccNSO list asking for volunteers to the working group, I will ask Hiro to chair this group as he is the most knowledgeable in our group and this group will liaise closely with GNSO. Can I have agreement on that approach [yes]

6. WHOIS—Implementation of procedure on national laws vs WHOIS - soliciting views from SOs and ACs

CD—this is a GTLD issue, which you'll see from the paper, I'm not sure that we do have much input into this as it has not been suggested that it will have any impact on ccTLDs, I ask members to provide any comments they may have.

7. Internet Governance Forum

CD—this is set to happen in Athens at the end of October. ICANN/ISOC/ccTLDs are planning to do a joint educational workshop on various modes ccs use to run their space. I will send a note in the next couple of days to work out who is coming, who is prepared to do a presentation on their model of operation. We would like examples of a government run, private, academic, independent, public just to provide some education. If you are coming please let me know and if you are prepared to do a presentation?

DS—how many do you need?

CD—four or five ten minute model presentations on the different ways we run ccs.

BV—ccnso members or wider?

CD—Wider. I think Emily was going to send a note out as well.

Other business

SM—there will be an interesting addition to the DNS in the near future, .me as the new ccTLD for Montenegro, I think the ISO committee is close to confirming this. .me should be operating by the end of the year. .rs for Serbia is also being considered.

OF—when will the organisation be established?

SM—the new organization was formed a month ago and we are negotiating with government and formally registering the organization. We will proceed with ICANN regarding re-delegation etc. in the near future.

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