

Council Meeting Minutes
New Delhi, 13th February 2008

Attendees

Nashwa Abdelbaki
Lesley Cowley
Chris Disspain
Keith Drazek
Mohamed El Bashir
Young Eum Lee
Ondrej Filip
Olivier Guillard
Hiro Hotta
Patrick Hosein
Slobodan Markovic
Paulos Nyirenda (telephone)
Patricio Poblete
Oscar Robles
Dotty Sparks de Blanc

Observers

Don Hollander
Margarita Valdes
Peter Van Roste

Apologies

Becky Burr
Oscar Moreno

1) Election of Chair

The first session was chaired by the Vice Chair. The 12-month term of the Chair had concluded at the meeting, and nominations were sought for candidates for the next term.

Resolution

26-01: IT WAS RESOLVED to reappoint Chris Disspain as the chair of the ccNSO Council for another 12 month term.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

2) Election of Vice Chair

The 12-month term of the Vice Chair also expired at the current meeting and nominations were sought for the position of Vice Chair.

Resolution

26-02: IT WAS RESOLVED to reappoint Patricio Poblete as Vice Chair of the ccNSO Council for another 12 month term.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

3) Thanks to Eduardo Santoyo and Welcome to Patrick Hosein

Eduardo Santoyo departs from the Council as of the current meeting and the Chair suggested a resolution thanking Eduardo for his efforts as a member of the Council.

Resolution

26-03 IT WAS RESOLVED to thank Eduardo Santoyo for his work on the ccNSO council.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

The Chair also welcomed Patrick Hosein as the new Councillor from the LAC region.

4) Agenda items for Paris

The Chair ran through the agenda items which so far had been proposed for the meeting in Paris:

- Discussions on the fast track interim report, which will be published by then
- Discussions on the issues report on the PDP for IDN ccTLDs, which also will be published
- Phishing survey results
- Interim results of the participation Working Group survey
- The IANA WG paper on DNSSEC to be presented
- IPv6
- A session for new participants, covering current issues within ICANN and especially the ccNSO
- A half-day workshop co-organised together with CENTR, with their “best of” presentations.

The Chair also explained that it is intended to let members deliver as much input as possible on the agenda items, and a call for suggestions is to be sent out early after the New Delhi meeting.

Action

26-01: The ccNSO Secretariat to send out a note to the appropriate email lists, asking for suggestions on the next ccNSO agenda.

5) Board Nominee Election Call and Process

The term for seat 11 on the ICANN board expires in May 2008.

A resolution was suggested instructing the secretariat to take steps for a call for nominations amongst the members. All members will then be entitled to vote.

Hiro Hotta asked whether there is a special nomination process for filling the seat.

The Chair clarified that there is no formal process set in the bylaws, but suggested following the same method used to appoint the ccNSO nominees to the Board. Any ccNSO member from any region can nominate a person and another ccNSO member

from any region can second the person. The candidates then go into an election process, if necessary.

Young-Eum Lee pointed out that last time the candidates had the chance to present their intentions directly to the members and that it would have been more desirable if there had been a chance for the candidates to present their views this time. She also asked how long each board member's term lasts and suggested starting the process earlier next time.

The Chair clarified that the board term is three years and that Demi Getschko's term is up next year. He also suggested letting the candidates provide a written campaign statement.

Resolution

26-04: IT WAS RESOLVED to instruct the ccNSO Secretariat to prepare the call for nominations to fill seat 11 on the ICANN Board.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

6) Welcome to new ccNSO members

The Chair listed the new members who joined the ccNSO since the last meeting in Los Angeles:

.et Ethiopia
.fi Finland
.hk Hong Kong
.np Nepal
.sb Solomon Islands
.sg Singapore
.th Thailand
.za South Africa

He then asked that a formal resolution be passed, welcoming the new members.

Resolution

26-05: IT WAS RESOLVED to welcome the new ccNSO members.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

7) Processes Working Group

A resolution was required to setup of the new Processes Working Group. The Working Group will work on drafting necessary processes needed within the ccNSO, in order to keep timelines and facilitate the ccNSO's work.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc agreed chairing the Working Group. The other members are Slobodan Markovic and Patricio Poblete. Bart Boswinkel and Gabriella Schitteck will act as supporting staff.

As the work items are clear, it was not felt that a charter is needed.

Resolution

26-06: IT WAS RESOLVED to constitute the Processes Working Group.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

8) Guidelines for Council meetings and minutes

The Chair suggested that this item fits into the Process Working Group's agenda, as one of its tasks will be the development of guidelines for minutes and council meetings. Bart Boswinkel has already worked on a draft, which will be submitted to the Processes WG.

9) IANA WG Charter

Olivier Guillard explained that the new proposed IANA Working Group Charter provides clarification on the goals of the working group, it also includes a workplan. The new Charter will consolidate the IANA Working Group in its work process and activities. A resolution is required to adopt the charter.

Resolution

26-07: IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the revised IANA Working Group Charter.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

10) Phishing Survey

The Chair explained that the proposed survey on Phishing needs to be formally resolved by the council.

Nashwa Abdelbaki asked whether the expression "large scale" in question 1.1 shouldn't be defined.

Oscar Robles clarified that the question talks about the "perception" of each ccTLD manager and is not intended to refer to an objective scale.

Lesley Cowley suggested adding a question whether ccTLD managers would welcome an exchange of experiences and best practices or whether they were seeking global policies, in order to gain guidance on what to do next.

Resolution

26-08: IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the proposed Survey on Phishing, subject to the suggested questions on future steps being added.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

11) New Mailing List

The Council had previously resolved that an "authoritative" ccTLD manager email list should be set up. A charter was adopted and the ccNSO Secretariat was asked to prepare a letter to be sent to the ccTLD managers.

A domain name has now been registered – cctldmanagers.org. It is registered in the name of the Chair and is currently hosted on auDA servers.

A list of those subscribed to the mailing list will be published, but only accessible to subscribers

The council was asked to pass a resolution to approve the draft letter to be sent to ccTLD managers.

Patricio Poblete pointed out that the letter is addressed to ccTLD managers. However, due to the technical way the ccNSO is using the term “ccTLD manager” in both the bylaws and the application form, he suggested that the Admin contact should be addressed instead.

Oscar Robles suggested that under the listed eligibility criteria, the “technical contact” also should be added to the list. The Chair agreed.

Action

26-02: The Secretariat to add “Technical contact” to the draft letter.

Patricio Poblete asked why a special domain name had been registered for the email list.

The Chair explained that a ccNSO-named mailing list could pose a challenge for a number of ccTLD managers. A more neutral name was expected being less difficult.

Hiro Hotta asked whether only subscribers will be able to post on the list. This was confirmed by the Chair.

Mohamed El Bashir asked whether the IANA database will be consulted for verification purposes of the subscribers. This was also confirmed by the Chair.

Lesley Cowley noted that the Councillors should do all they can to get ccTLD managers to participate in the email list and to start communicating with other managers.

Resolution

26-09: IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the letter to ccTLD managers on the creation of the new ccTLD email list.

Paulos Nyirenda abstained from the resolution.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc voted against the resolution.

12) AOB

Lesley Cowley said she was not happy with the timing of council agendas. She pointed out that the ccNSO Bylaws, section 13, say that a Council agenda should be posted at least seven days in advance of a meeting. She felt it was unacceptable to have the agenda published late and said that in the interests of transparency it should also be published to the ccNSO members

The Chairman explained that it is not always possible to foresee what the exact agenda will look like until the final meeting day, however, he agreed that a draft agenda could be posted much earlier with an addition saying "Items might be added to this agenda".

Olivier Guillard reminded the Council that input from the council on the DNSSEC paper currently prepared by the IANA Working Group would be appreciated, so that it can meet the Council's expectations.

Patricio Poblete wondered what had happened to the ccnso.org domain.

The Chair clarified that it is still registered to Kim Davies and that the ccNSO still is intending to use it.

Young-Eum Lee thanked the Chairman on behalf of the council for his efforts in pushing the cc position on IDN issues. She also thanked the ccNSO secretariat for her efforts behind another successful ccNSO meeting.

The meeting was then closed.