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As you have seen there are many different ways to run and manage a ccTLD.

- Government run;
- Privately run;
- Privately run with government oversight;
- Run by the academic community
- For profit;
- Not for profit and so on…..
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BUT

They all have one thing in common…….
They all operate on the principle that what governs the ccTLD is the NATIONAL LAW of the country concerned.

**National law** is paramount.
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The ccNSO is a membership organisation responsible for:

1. Developing and recommending global policies relating to ccTLDs
2. Nurturing consensus among ccTLDs
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BUT

If ccTLDs are sovereign and national law is paramount.....
Why do we need a global body?
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BECAUSE

There are a VERY NARROW range of policies that do need to be developed on a global basis to ensure the stability and integrity of the TECHNICAL aspects of the Domain Name System.
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What policy?

In respect to 2 VERY NARROW and PURELY Technical areas of the global Domain Name System:
Name Server Function as it relates to ccTLDs
Data Entry Function as it relates to ccTLDs
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Name Serve Functions:
ccTLD Registry Name Servers in respect to interoperability.

There are essential interoperability and stability issues that are at the heart of the DNS. Policies need to be defined and established to ensure that interoperability and stability.
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Data Entry Functions:
ccTLD data entries in the Root Level Registry
Entering data needs to be fully defined by a naming policy to specify rules under which data will be collected, entered and changed in the data base and for making that data or a sub set of it publicly available.
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The ccNSO does not develop global policy on:

- Content;
- Spam;
- Naming Policy
- Anything else except the **VERY NARROW** range of global policy outlined.